

**Cathedral/St. Patrick's
Service Opportunity Survey
2016**

To give people an opportunity to ponder potential areas of service, the following is the listing of opportunities with a brief description of each.

Councils & Committees

1. Pastoral Council-Meets monthly with the pastor to plan and vision for the parishes.
2. Finance Council- Meets periodically with the pastor to oversee the budget; researches, prepares and submits the annual parish budget to the Pastoral Council and implements financial policies of the Archdiocese.
3. Faith Formation Commission/Adult Faith Formation- Members meet monthly to provide vision and support for total Faith Formation for the parishes. The Adult Formation subcommittee focuses upon adult formation and recommends offerings to the Faith Formation Commission
4. Social Justice Committee-Meets monthly to plan and coordinate parish activities and education for parishioners in regard to Social Justice.
5. Liturgy Committee -Meets 5 times a year to give direction to the liturgical life of our parishes.
6. Facilities and Grounds Committee - Meets a few times a year to assess maintenance and repair needs of parish buildings and grounds.
7. Parish Life Committee-Meets monthly to plan and coordinate parish activities, socials, seasonal gatherings.
8. Stewardship Committee- Meets monthly to help educate and encourage adults and youth to become good stewards of our gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Outreach

9. Wednesday evening meal at St. Patrick- Help and/or prepare food for meals held weekly at 5pm
10. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meal ministry- assist with providing community meals at the Rescue Mission or Congregational Church.
11. New Parishioner Welcome - Phone new members to welcome them to the parishes/assist with new parishioner brunch.
12. Prayer Shawl Ministry for homebound/sick -Knit or crochet prayer shawls for those in need of comfort and healing. This group meets monthly in the Cathedral Center.
13. Provide Transportation for elderly/sick- drive people to appointments, Mass and parish events as the need arises.
14. Card Ministry-Send cards to parishioners who have left the hospital, lost a loved one, or are celebrating a special event
15. Respect Life/Social Justice – support Respect Life activities in the parish and community.
16. El Salvador Parish- Meets occasionally to deepen the relationship with our sister parish in El Salvador and seek ways to respond to its needs.
17. Visits/Phone calls to the Homebound – 1) Visit and take Communion to 1 or more homebound parishioners and visit when in 1 of the Dubuque hospitals 2) As a family or as an individual visit 1 or more of the Dubuque Care Centers monthly.

Prayer & Worship/Liturgical Ministries

18. Altar Server (grades 3-adult) serve at liturgies in the parishes; training is provided.
19. Eucharistic Minister (at parish liturgies and/or to the homebound)- serve at liturgies in the parishes Feast Days, Holy Week, Prayer Services, weekdays-training is provided.
20. Lector- for Masses (Reader) Feast Days, Holy Week, Prayer Services, weekdays. Training is provided.
21. Sacristan - Ensures that liturgical necessities are in place before mass begins.
22. Hospitality/ Greeter - Welcome people as they arrive for liturgy and answer any questions guests may have.
23. Lead Rosary before daily Mass.
24. Liturgical Minister/hospitality for Funerals
25. Art and Environment/Plants- assist in decorating the churches for liturgies.

Music Ministry

26. St. Patrick's choir/El Coro -Sings primarily at 4:00 pm mass on Saturday, rehearsals on Thursday evenings at

- 4:00 pm; the group also sings for parish funerals. El Coro sings at the 11am Spanish mass and practices on Friday evenings at 5pm
27. Cathedral Choir -Sings primarily at 9am mass on Sunday, rehearsals on Monday evenings from 7-9 pm
 28. Cantor- lead singing at masses
 29. Children's Choir
 30. Youth Choir
 31. Instrumentalist for liturgies
 32. List Instrument

Faith Formation

33. Catechist/teacher/aide (Weds. Evenings) -Teach a group of children or youth in the Wednesday evening Religious Education program.
34. Liturgy of the Word Leader of Children -Lead the Children at the 9:00 am Mass at Cathedral in their special Liturgy of the Word in the Raphael Rooms or also at the 11am mass at St. Patrick's
35. Youth Ministry (Adult & Youth volunteers) - assist in various ways as chaperones, provide food, transportation, and make phone calls.
36. RCIA Team member- assist with the process for those preparing to enter into the Catholic Church. Assist a candidate by sharing one's faith journey during the RCIA process.
37. Young Adult Ministry - Assist with planning and visioning and promoting young adult events for the year.
38. Totus Tuus- Adults and teens work together to provide a fun faith-filled week of activities, music, games and learning for children during the summer months.
39. Sponsor Couple for Marriage Preparation-Assist an engaged couple in preparing for marriage.
40. Lead Adult Faith Sharing Group/Bible Study - Facilitate a reflection and discussion of the Sunday scriptures readings. Facilitator training will be provided.

Miscellaneous Service

41. Money Counter (Monday mornings) - Help count weekend collection on Mondays.
42. Parish Socials- Help serve coffee and donuts on designated Sundays; prepare desserts/snacks for Parish Events and Programs, Funeral Dinners.
43. Assist with Child Care for Parish Activities- People willing to provide childcare for parents participating in parish activities and meetings.
44. General Maintenance- Persons who have expertise and knowledge in the following areas and are willing to share your talents with our parishes; Plumbing and Heating, Carpentry, Brick Work/Cement work, Electrical, Flooring and Carpeting, Painting
45. Specify:
46. Grounds keeping/Gardening- Landscaping and shrub care-care for an area around the Cathedral or St. Patrick and help with seasonal clean up of garden. Water flowers in summer.
47. Conduct tours of Cathedral
48. Clerical- Help with office tasks, mailings, answering phone, assemble booklets, etc., Make telephone calls to individuals for special parish occasions. Research genealogy requests.
49. Technology Assistance - Data entry, web site design and maintenance.