Vision

RENEW FAITH, BUILD COMMUNION, INSPIRE HOPE

Purpose

Our sacred purpose as the Diocese of Kalamazoo is joyfully to live our Catholic faith, which is rooted in Jesus Christ and Teachings of His Church, so as to welcome all, speak the Truth in love, and lead all people in our nine counties into the promise of Eternal Life.

Values

Commitment to Christ and His Church:
Guided by the Holy Spirit and embracing the love of the Father through Jesus Christ, we will faithfully follow the Teachings of the Roman Catholic Church and generously serve the needs of others.

Eucharistic Centered:
Realizing all grace and mercy flows to us through the Cross of Christ and lived in the reality of the Eucharistic celebration, we will center our actions on receiving grace from the Eucharistic sacrifice, and realizing that it is in receiving those graces and worshipping God that motivates us to go out and do all that we do in service and charity.

Collaboration and Consultation:
We will proactively seek wisdom and counsel on all major initiatives impacting the life and ministry of our diocese from the appropriate consultative groups.

Good Ordering:
We will model discipleship, professionalism, generosity of spirit and pastoral care as we steward our spiritual and temporal gifts.

Hope:
Our decisions, actions, and ministries will be rooted in prayer and joyfully carried out with competence, care, and confidence in God’s promise of salvation.
PRIORITIES & GOALS:

FOSTERING PRIESTLY VOCATIONS
- Increase the number of inquiries to the vocations office
- Institute a support and formational plan for priests
  - Develop a diocesan prayer plan for vocations

ACCOMPANYING FAMILIES TOWARD HOLINESS
- Develop guidelines for Infant Baptismal Prep
- Create an Accompaniment Ministry
  - Increase the use of Theology of the Body Curricula
  - Establish a list of resources for Theology of the Body

ACTIVATING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES
- Increase the understanding of our Baptismal call
- Developing trainings for those in Liturgical roles
- Developing trainings for those Parish Leaders
- Establishing a Diocesan-wide stewardship wide plan
- Increase number of RCIA participants through training RCIA Leaders

*For more details on these goals and priorities, visit www.diokzoo.org.