Pastoral Care

Reaching out with compassion with hands like Jesus to those individuals with special needs . . .

- **Social Work:** Provides a wide spectrum of support to individuals, families, and clergy in today’s challenging environment, combining the riches of our faith with clinical and social work practices.

- **Bereavement Program:** Developed with the intent of forming support groups in our parishes as someone experiences following the loss of a loved one which is usually a very painful and life changing experience. Catholics learn about grief, share experiences and feelings with others as they seek the spiritual support and comfort of the Catholic faith.

1. **Separated/Divorced Program:** Developed to help those who have experienced a separation or divorce share their experience in a peaceful and safe environment with the intent of forming support groups in parishes.

- **St. Matthias Program:** Recovery program for those suffering from and overcoming addictions – we have trained recovery coaches that can provide recovery support with drug and alcohol problems.

- **To Love & To Cherish:** A program for married couples to share and support each other with the goal of enriching their life journey of their marriage.

- **My Child...My Gift:** A program for parents who have received a “poor prenatal diagnosis” called a “new kind of crisis pregnancy”. Advances in screening technologies have allowed for the earlier detection of numerous fetal defects and have sadly, opened the door to ending the pregnancy rather than carrying to full term. This is in opposition to the Church’s position regarding abortion.