

## **Time and Talent, Fall 2009**

*“Freely you have received, freely give.” Mt 6:24*

### **SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT**

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is a program for those who want to learn about Catholicism. Teachers and participants meet weekly from September to Easter initiation. Sponsors needed to work and support those who enter this program. Program includes a one day Fall and Spring retreat.

**Stewardship Committee** encourages parishioners to become active in their faith and make stewardship a way of life. To wisely use their gifts, talents & abilities to serve others and take care of all that God has provided.

**Newcomers/Welcoming Committee** calls and meets with new parishioners, (approx 1 to 3 newcomers per month) welcoming them to John XXIII, giving them informational materials, and encouraging their involvement.

**Women’s Voices, Women’s Wisdom** offers retreats for women to share in prayer, meditation, and discussion on issues related to spirituality, scripture, theology, and life.

**Men’s Faith Sharing Group** meets Thursday morning to share faith and prayer.

**M.A.L.E.S** (Men as Learners and Elders) is a group for men ages 16 years and older who are seeking wisdom for the spiritual journey. From Wild Men to Wise Men: Reflections on Male Spirituality (Rohr, OFM and Martos) will be read and discussed.

**Small Faith Sharing Group Coordinator** One or two volunteers to help organize and grow small faith-sharing groups.

**Stephen Ministry** trains volunteers to companion someone in crisis or facing a personal difficulty. Once commissioned, they are matched with a care receiver for one-on-one confidential, lay Christian care giving.

### **PASTORAL ADVISORY**

**Pastoral Council** consists of members of the community-at-large, staff, university students. They maintain the parish mission through ongoing pastoral planning, action and communication.

**Finance Council** evaluates, formulates and plans the parish’s needs for present and long range financial support. Volunteers with financial or management expertise prepare and monitor the annual parish budget, according to the guidelines of the archdiocese

### **UNIVERSITY MINISTRY**

**Mentor for Fundraising** *Parishioners* to empower student leaders through listening, guidance, advice, and professional support in developing fundraising events. Facilitate ownership of the project by students and provide timeline and structure of details.

**Mentor for Student Mission Trip(s)** *Parishioners* to empower student leaders through listening, guidance, advice, and professional support in preparing mission trips. Facilitate ownership of the project by students and provide timeline and structure of details.

**Assist with Campus Ministry Projects** are random opportunities for **Parishioners** to help with organization, preparation, data entry and office details for various projects.

**Coordination Team: Hands Across Campus (Adopt-A-Family)** **Parishioners** coordinate details of this ministry to assist the integration of students with families/parishioners. Match participants according to interests/needs and offer a creative social activity for introducing them.

**Coordination Team for Progressive Supper(s):** **Parishioners** to coordinate families to 1) host about 40 students at their home or 2) provide appetizer, main dish or dessert. All who have participated in this are invited year after year!

**Coordinating Team for Sunday Night Suppers:** **Parishioners** to contact and provide information about meals to groups of parishioners who sign up to cook. Communicate with TNT supper student leader on left-overs or needs.

**Coordinating Team for Faculty/Student Dinner:** **Parishioners** to coordinate details of this event to assist the integration and communication of students with faculty/staff at CSU and Front Range.

**S.A.L.T. Service And Leadership Team:** **Students (CSU/Front Range)** plan and prepare social, spiritual, intellectual and physical activities for peers. An academic-year commitment which entails training and “bonding” mountain retreats and weekly planning meetings... these are the “movers and shakers” of Catholic Campus Ministry. SALT teams are broken into 6 areas which include Technology, Education, PR/Marketing, Welcome & Hospitality, Resources & Fundraising, Music, Prayer & Liturgy.

**Alternative Thanksgiving & Spring Break** offer **Students** a homeless-immersion trip into the heart of Denver, exposing students to the homeless population and social responsibility. Prior trips served in Mexico and New Orleans.

**Mass Chaos University Choir** invites **Students and University Members** to lead the congregation in worship and song at the 5:15 Sunday evening Mass and other special occasions.

**F.I.A.T. (Faith In Action Team)** is comprised of **Students** to increase awareness within our faith community and offers opportunities to lend our time, talents and treasures to further social justice in our world.

**Outreach Retreat Teams** enables **Students** to design and lead outreach University Ministry retreats and retreats for High School Youth.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Confirmation and Graduation Reception** volunteers decorate the church and prepare and serve food for our confirmation (April) and Graduation (May) receptions.

**Service Team** help with monthly Mission cooking and volunteer recruitment; plan, recruit and lead occasional community service projects and an annual service mission trip.

**Faith Formation Leaders** teach in a fun and meaningful class-type setting the most important lessons of our faith on Wed nights 6:30-9:00 pm. Lesson plans are provided.

**Family Event Planner** plan, advertise and run special events for the families of J23, including but not limited to Parent Teen Nights.

**Parent Small Faith Sharing Group Leaders** lead small faith sharing groups Wednesday nights.

**Confirmation Leaders** lead 9th grade Confirmation teens through a fun & meaningful year of faith development. Wed nights 6:30-9:00 pm.

**Tech Development/Photographer** update and maintain youth website and photograph events.

**Retreat Leadership Team** help design and run retreats for teens throughout the year. They work closely with Campus Ministry retreat team to offer the best retreat opportunities such as Confirmation Retreat, Welcome Retreat, etc.

**Coordinator for Social Service Projects:** J23 Youth Ministry would like to offer regular (monthly) local service projects for the teens to participate in. Ideally, the coordinator would work to plan these as well as pre-meetings to explore the deeper understanding to the spirituality of service.

### **LITURGICAL LIFE**

**Eucharistic Ministers** serve the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful during Mass.

### **COMMUNITY SPIRIT**

**Office Volunteers** help with clerical needs or projects including bulk mail, copying materials, making phone calls, assisting with bulletin boards, organizing files, shredding papers, etc. Dedicated volunteers are also needed to help Bobbie, Randy, and Jim.

**Receptionist/Welcomer** answer phones, direct calls or take messages, place inserts in the bulletin, greet and offer hospitality to individuals as they walk into the church.

**Counting Offertory** involves a couple hours a week counting money. Accuracy is important.

**Volunteer to run errands** on Sundays after 11:15 mass involving 15-20 minutes

**Funeral Receptions** contribute salads and desserts for funeral meals, set up and clean up.

**Knights of Columbus** is a Catholic men's fraternal benefit society, meets twice a month. They offer social and intellectual fellowship to members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

**Retired But Not Tired** gathers Seniors for Mass, good food and company. Volunteers prepare tables, coffee, and food, and clean up after the luncheon.

**Moms' Support Group** meets weekly on a weekday morning for learning, fun and support.

**Drivers** provide rides to Mass and other events for the elderly and handicapped.

**Senior Thanksgiving Dinner Planners** plan and organize a turkey dinner for senior citizens in the community.

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

**Couples Host Marriage Preparation** once a year couples host a 6 week session in their homes to share prepared lessons, their insights and church teachings with engaged couples.

**FOCCUS volunteers** are trained married couples who assist engaged couples in reviewing their FOCCUS inventory for marriage preparation.

## **JUSTICE AND PEACE**

**Social Concerns Team** acts as a resource to connect, promote and support social ministry within the parish and the wider community. We do this by inviting parishioners to experience Catholic Social Teachings through education, liturgy, witness and engagement.

**Northern Colorado Social Legislation Network (NCSLN)** advocates for fair social policies on issues that affect people's quality of life and dignity.

**West African Development Support Organization (WADSO)** is a non-profit corporation formed to support the education and development missions of the Catholic orders serving the poor in West Africa. Currently supporting projects in Umuahia Diocese of southeast Nigeria, the home diocese of Father Frances Nwaiwu.

**Catholic Charities Northern (The Mission)** needs volunteers for the Mission Hospitality Kitchen on the second Sunday of each month. Volunteers bake, prepare meals and serve guests.

## **MAINTENANCE**

**Building Maintenance** skilled parishioners provide carpentry, electrical, plumbing, painting, etc for the upkeep of our facility. Clean & maintain weekly & seasonally.

**Snow Removal** members help with shoveling/salting sidewalks, snow plowing & snow blowing.

**Yard Maintenance** gives parishioners opportunity to help with grass mowing, spring cleaning, etc.

**Materials** are needed in the area of maintenance such as hand tools, rakes, hoses, etc. Please check with Randy Wick regarding donations.