



# SPIRITUALITY

A priority of the Pastoral Plan  
of the Archdiocese of  
Johannesburg





# GO BACK TO BASICS

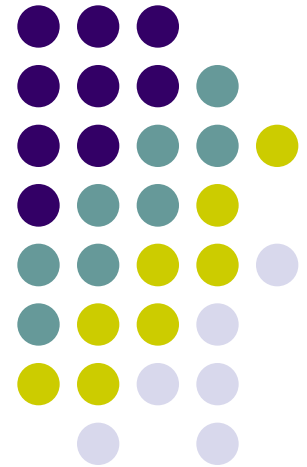
- Small Christian Communities
- The Family as the Domestic Church
- The Parishes cooperating within the deanery
- Renewal and revitalisation of reception of the sacrament of Reconciliation [Confession]
- Give Youth their own space in the Church



# Responsibility & Commitment

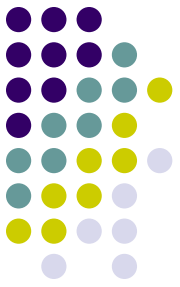
Each Parish Priest & the P.P.C.

The Archbishop & the Archdiocese





# The Parish Pastoral Council



- Mobilise and promote the responsibility of the laity making them partners in the leadership and animation of the parish in all sectors
- Hold a 'Parish Synod' – set up a steering committee and do a SWOT analysis
- Visit lapsed Catholics, bring their children to Mass and have an outreach to poor areas
- Let the youth run with their initiatives



# Archbishop & the Archdiocese



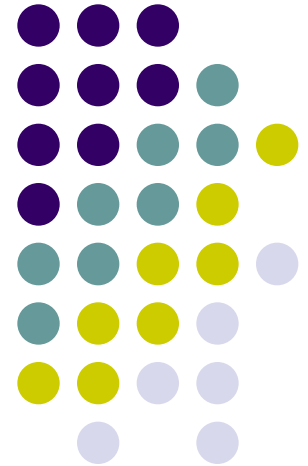
- Training for laity & P.P.C.
- Animation of priests to have the ‘fire’ of love in their homilies – at times provide homilies
- Strengthen deanery structures to care for priests and make them available for their principal task of ministry to people
- Promote partnership between parishes
- Coordination of sodalities into parish life



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# THE ACTION

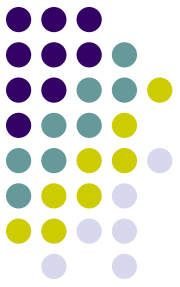
A Basket of Activities



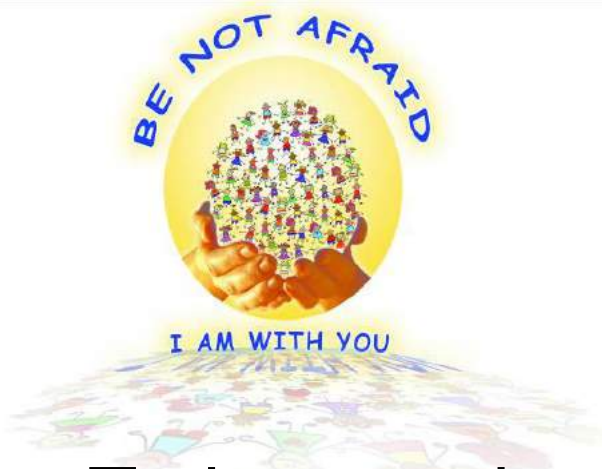


# EDUCATION

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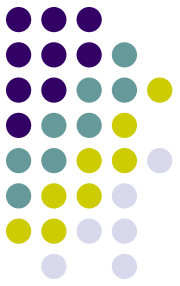


- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults [RCIA]
- Parent/Child, Family supported catechesis
- Promote the Alpha programme
- Encourage use of EWTN
- Archdiocesan desk of spirituality



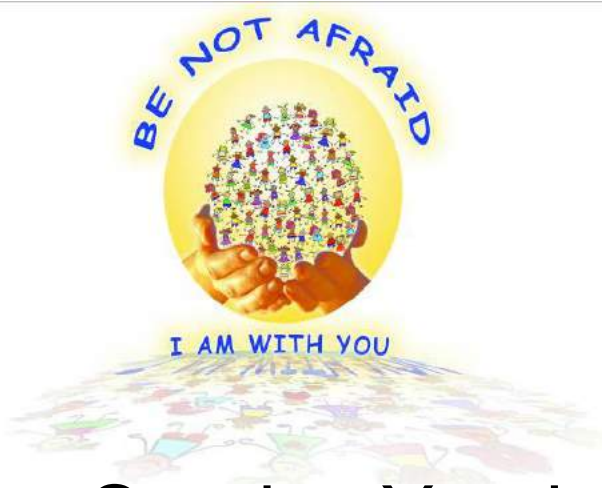
# BIBLE SHARING

## *Lectio Divina*

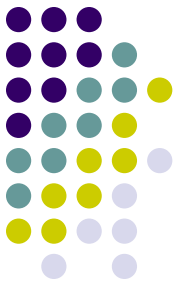


- To be practiced in local Small Christian Communities / 'blocks' / zones / neighbourhoods
- Youth to have their own Bible sharing
- Bible sharing to be done also in the family
- Part of preparation for Mass by the Parish Liturgical Committee





# YOUTH



- Sunday Youth Mass once a month
  - Personal testimony to be encouraged
- Youth involvement to be organised well before confirmation classes
  - Age for confirmation to be re-assessed as teenagers are often confused spirituality
- Catholic Schools to be linked with parishes
  - Bursaries to be offered to catholic communities



# FAITH VISIBILITY Signs in the home



- Enthroned Bible
- Crucifix prominent seen on the wall
- Holy Water available in bedrooms
- Strong home involvement in a family focused spirituality
- Angelus & Grace at meals



# LITURGY



- Sunday Eucharist which reflects on, supports, and celebrates the renewal initiatives of the archdiocesan Synod
- Serious renewal, availability and commitment to the sacrament of Reconciliation [Confession]
- Preparation before & reflection after Mass



# DEVOTIONAL PRAYER



- Life in the Spirit
- Healing Services
- Benediction, Holy Hours & even perpetual adoration
- Marian spirituality promoted
- Centering prayer



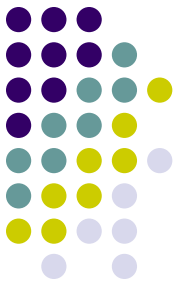
# TRAINING & SUPPORT



- Promote Engaged Encounter & serious preparation for marriage
- Provide counselling at parish level
- Provide workshops on parenting skills
- Deal with cultural problems of spirituality



# SPECIAL EVENTS



- Celebrate Jubilees as occasions of renewal:
  - Of the archdiocese and the parish
  - Keep this 'Year of Paul' seriously
- Have pilgrimage Churches / shrines

