

God may be calling me to



Letter from our Pastor

Dear Friend,

Would you give a gift if you knew the recipient will never use it? Probably not! St. Paul has reminded us that “each one has received a *special* gift, use it in serving one another!” Each of us then needs to recognize and put to use those special gifts. God has bestowed those gifts for the purpose of giving them away to bless and benefit others. To help you discern your gifts and talents, please review this form in its entirety. Decide which “I” statements best describe you. When you find matches for your interests and skills, review the corresponding ministries listed below. Then, circle the black dot in front of each ministry that interests you. God uses these special gifts as a call to promote and to foster the vitality of our parish community.

Please return your completed form in the offertory basket, to the parish office, or complete it on-line at www.stlads.org.

We will then follow-up with you regarding your interest(s). If you have any questions, please contact Martha Bober at MarthaBober@wowway.com or the parish office at either 440-835-2300 or through the parish website.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Father Don Snyder

Fr. Donald Snyder
Pastor

St. Ladislav Time and Talent Form

I like planning and participating in social and community activities. God may be calling me to:

- 50+ Club (lunches, speakers, bus trips; meets 3rd Tuesday of the month)
- Young Adult Ministry (prayer, speakers, retreats, service, fellowship for those in their 20s & 30s)
- Social Committee (sponsors various activities and/or meals; one meeting per month)

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I believe in simple acts of kindness. God may be calling me to:

- Coffee & Donuts (set-up, serve, and cleanup)
- Greeter/Usher (ministers of hospitality at weekend and special Masses)
- Parish Picnic (plan and run parish picnic in August)
- Sacred Heart Commission (funeral lunch servers)
- Special Parish Receptions (group sponsors receptions for special parish events)

I rejoice in the liturgical celebration of the Mass. God may be calling me to:

- Altar Server (5th graders and older assist the priest at Mass)
- Altar Server for funerals (adults assist the priest at funeral Masses)
- Cross Bearers (adults carry processional cross at beginning and conclusion of weekend Masses)
- Eucharistic Minister (distribute Communion at Mass and at Nursing Homes on rotating schedule)
- Lector (proclaim the readings, sometimes recite petitions, pre-Mass announcements)
- Liturgy Commission (meets monthly to enhance liturgies and support liturgical ministers)
- Nursing Home/Assisted Living Ministers of the Eucharist (distribute Communion monthly or weekly)
- Prayers of the Faithful Committee (write Mass petitions with a partner; 2 months per year)
- Sacristans (set up vessels, linens, hosts & wine before Mass and clean and store vessels after Mass)

I'm a good listener. God may be calling me to:

- Pastoral Council (offers advice & consultation to pastor; meets once a month)

I enjoy reading Scripture and discussing my faith with others. God may be calling me to:

- Evangelization (team plans activities to engage inactive Catholics; deepen faith of active Catholics)
- Fatima Devotion (invite "Pilgrim Madonna" statue into your home for a week's visit)
- Generations of Faith (attend intergenerational parish events)
- Knights of Columbus (live your faith through acts of faith & charity)
- Marriage Couple Sponsors (assist pastor in preparation of couples for marriage)
- Men's Fellowship Group (participate in gatherings with men of the parish)
- RCIA (RCIA team facilitates weekly sessions for those seeking full initiation in the Church)
- RCIC aides (assist RCIC facilitator; RCIC means Rite of Christian Initiation of Children)
- Women's Bible Study (discuss bible passages, offer shared prayer, fellowship; Wednesday evenings)
- Women's Sharing Spirituality (monthly gatherings for prayer, scripture, faith-sharing & fellowship)

I pray for others and have compassion for the sick and elderly. God may be calling me to:

- Bereavement Ministry (meets with those who are grieving a recent loss)
- Home Bound Ministry-Ministry of Care (visits, Communion services, rosary recitations)
- Prayer Request Chain (pray for specific needs of parishioners when called)

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I'm skilled at working with computers and technology. God may be calling me to:

- Tech Team (web development, tech. planning, computer & network maintenance)

I enjoy rallying people to a cause, working with others to find the best solution to world problems, and prefer lively activity to quiet and solitude. God may be calling me to:

- Hunger Center (prepares & serves meals at St. Patrick's Church & St. Ignatius Parish)
- Jail & Prison Ministry (supports ministers & programs to the incarcerated)
- Respect for Life Ministry (plans & coordinates Pro-Life activities; monthly meetings)
- Social Justice (serves, informs & calls to action the parish in Social Justice matters)
- St. Vincent de Paul Society (packs food monthly for less fortunate; distributes & picks up food at grocery store)

I'm good at starting conversations and keeping them going. God may be calling me to:

- Phone Ministry (reaches out to parishioners advising them of parish activities; script provided)
- Welcoming (contact new parishioners & invite them to a welcoming reception)

One of my favorite ways to pray is to sing or to play a musical instrument and I want to contribute to the joy of liturgical celebrations. God may be calling me to:

- Accompanists (accompanies the choirs; audition by appointment)
- Cantors (lead assembly singing about twice/month; rehearsals every six weeks)
- Caritas Choir (Sing-A-Long programs at Assisted Living Homes in area; practices every other Thursday)
- Funeral Choir (sings at funerals; called on short notice)
- Instrumentalist (minister as an instrumentalist during weekend Masses)
- Liturgical Choir (sings at various weekend Masses; audition by appointment)
- Music Planning (selects music for weekend Masses; meets every six weeks)
- Junior Choir (students grades 4, 5, 6, & 7); sings at various weekend Masses)

I believe in the power our young people have to change the world. Acting as a teacher and/or mentor for our youth through religious education and/or leadership programs is meaningful to me. God may be calling me to:

- Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts (parents, leaders & organizations work together to achieve Scouting goals)
- Children's Liturgy of the Word (proclaim readings to children ages 5-8 during Sunday Masses)
- Good Shepherd Catechist (lead weekly classes; requires training in methodology and process)
- Good Shepherd classroom aides (assist in Atrium classrooms)
- Vacation Bible School (volunteers needed in many areas; VBS is usually in June)
- WAY group (Youth Ministry) (adults assist WAY coordinator at meetings, retreats, outreach events)

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I enjoy working with my hands and taking care of details. God may be calling me to:

- Art & Environment (team enhances our worship space)
- Church Cleaning Volunteers (work as a team or individually; once per week for 1 month)
- Florists (do arrangements for altar, Marian shrine, & Eucharistic chapel; assist head florists)
- Garden Club Members (assists in maintaining landscaped areas; light gardening duties)
- Office Volunteers (provide clerical support, assists with office work)
- Preparing large office mailings (collate mailings as needed; mornings)
- Wedding Rehearsal Coordinators (oversees wedding rehearsals; assigned on a rotating basis)

Skilled Volunteers (Circle a "Special Skill"; if the skill is needed and you're available, you will be called.)

Carpentry	Driver	Plumbing	Cooking/Baking
Child Care	Electrical	Sign Language	Graphic Design
Computers	Foreign Language	Videos/Photos	

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Complete one form per person. Please print.

Name _____

Telephone _____

(Home)

(Cell)

(Work)

Address _____

E-Mail _____

Is contact information new? Yes No

Age if under 18 _____

Please circle one: I am registered with the parish. I would like to register with the parish.