

## Pastoral Key Words...

Holy Trinity Parish is self defined by six “key words” that were generated during cross-council leadership sessions held during 2007/2008. Ideally, these adjectives will make themselves evident in all that we do as a parish community, and as a leadership council.

KEY WORDS	HOLY TRINITY DEFINITIONS
<b>Welcoming</b>	Holy Trinity extends an open invitation to be included in our faith-based community. We provide a warm and friendly environment where you feel comfortable. It’s an environment of caring and compassion, of loving and nurturing. People are touched by the warmth of Holy Trinity’s embrace.
<b>Vibrant</b>	There is an energy you feel as you come into Holy Trinity. It’s a feeling that says that this parish is alive. It’s a joyful spirit that encourages the creative talents of all facets of the parish and the school. This vibrant spirit attracts parishioners and participation from existing parishioners like a magnet.
<b>Diverse</b>	There are many different faces and viewpoints at Holy Trinity. We don’t hide our diversity, we feature it. Our different voices create a unique harmony.
<b>Progressive</b>	Holy Trinity is committed to looking forward, reflecting the innovative spirit of its parishioners. We respect diversity of viewpoint and welcome the valuable insights of the entire spectrum of our parish family. We are driven to embrace change and be responsive to the evolving needs of our Catholic community.
<b>Transforming</b>	Holy Trinity educates, empowers and inspires its members to grow as parishioners, students and followers of Jesus Christ. Holy Trinity provides an environment to transform you on your personal journey – <u>a journey where people are seeking, searching spiritual enrichment</u> . Each individual passing through Holy Trinity has an influence on Holy Trinity’s journey as well-transforming our parish and school over time.
<b>Community</b>	We are a Catholic community committed to listening, to understanding, to growing spiritually. We have physical facilities but the strength of our community has always been and continues to be in our people and the energy they bring to support each other.

## Pastoral Strategic Plan...

The Pastoral Council plays a role in assessing the needs of Holy Trinity Parish through the lens of pastoral development, enabling Holy Trinity and our ministries to help parishioners become better Disciples of Christ. The Pastoral Strategic Plan (completed May 2008) helps to further the growth and development of the entirety of the current and future makeup of the Holy Trinity Parish community. The Council reviews this plan annually to ensure the recommendations are contemporary, and that progress is being made towards their realization.

1. New Parishioner Integration Process – Develop a comprehensive welcoming system that will furnish new and potential parish members with the information and resources necessary to maximize and progress along their personal journey of Catholic Christian development.
  - A. Expand new parishioner orientation process to include one-on-one sessions when necessary
  - B. Provide the opportunity to connect each new or potential parishioner with a Holy Trinity “mentor” to personalize their introduction to the parish and support their initial steps on the journey
  - C. Establish contact points during the first year of the new parishioner welcoming process to personally provide any necessary follow up resources and/or information
2. Parish Communications – Create a comprehensive, welcoming, and accessible communications network for parishioners and interested visitors that will address and enhance current and emerging parish community needs, news, and events.
  - A. Expand Communications Ministry composition through targeted volunteer recruitment to facilitate consistent and relevant updates across the parish communication network
  - B. Explore ways to update and augment member roster to more proactively and uniquely address the distribution of parish information
  - C. Establish Holy Trinity web site as the definitive virtual extension of the parish by updating and revising the site to accurately reflect the vibrant, welcoming, progressive and transforming community Holy Trinity represent
3. Holy Trinity Reach - Expand the virtual footprint of Holy Trinity Parish so that our unique characteristics shine a light for the greater neighborhood community we share
  - A. Investigate methods to share the vibrant, transforming impact of the Holy Trinity music ministry
  - B. Seek other means of informing and welcoming immediate external community neighbors to significant parish events--especially Christmas and Easter masses
  - C. Enhance awareness of the array of Community Outreach services available to parishioners and to non-parishioners