

Encounter Transformation

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Goals:

Spiritual Formation that leads to Encounter:

Spiritual Formation of the Faithful

- *Amazing Parish* - St. Martin de Porres is fully engaged and committed to the vision of how the Catholic Church serves the faithful using the *Divine Renovation* series.
- *ACTS* - Men and women formation has been active for years and a witness to forming disciples of Jesus Christ.
- *Homily Series* - Creating consistency in the message of the Gospel and leading the faithful to a fuller understanding of the liturgy and the church cycles. Gospel messages are reinforced with workshops during or after these homiletic series.
- *Spiritual Direction* - SMDP currently has three (3) certified Diocesan Spiritual Directors, two (2) trained and currently in mentorship, and one (1) in formation to help the faithful and clergy understand and improve their relationship with God.
- *Grupo de Oracion* – Crecimiento espiritual a través de reuniones de la comunidad hispana.

Family as Domestic Church

Among the many active ministries at SMDP include;

- *Movimiento Familiar*
- *That Man is You*
- *MOMS (Ministry of Moms Sharing)*
- *Apostolate for Family Consecration*
- *Living in the Spirit Bible Study*
- *Legion of Mary*
- *Martha and Mary*
- *Teams of our Lady*
- *Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study*

Renewed Sacramental Practice

- *Children's Liturgy* - engaging early grade childhood understanding of liturgy.
- *Godly Play* - engaging pre-k children to know God.
- *RCIA-AC* - Catechesis for Sacramental preparation of our youth.
- *RCIA* – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- *Adoration Chapel* – scheduled and attended 5 days weekly, 18 hours daily; available 24 hours a day.

Culture of Ministry; Individuals and Communities;

Leadership Formation

- *Deaconate Formation* – Supporting 2 men in Formation.
- *Life Teen and EDGE* – High School and Middle School leadership faith processes.

Collaborative Ministry

- *Amazing Parish* – Focus on bringing all ministries toward becoming one single healing community.

Call and Form Diverse Leaders

- *Hispanic Ministries* – Diocesan Delegate and Parish Delegate leadership formation

Witness and Outreach;

- *Catholic Daughters of America*
- *Homebound / Hospital / Nursing Home Ministry*

Commitment to Discipleship

- *Bereavement Ministry*
- *Prayer Blanket Ministry*
- *Meal Ministry*

Engage Culturally Diverse Communities

- *Boy Scouts of America* – teaching youth Christian and Catholic values
- *Burke Center* – supporting troubled boys toward confidence, self respect, and independence.

Engage Those at the Periphery of Society

- *Knights of Columbus* – community project oriented to help the needy
- *St. Vincent de Paul Society* – helping all community needs as possible.
- *Food Pantry* – Feeding the Needy