Three Year <u>Plan for Parish Priorities</u> (2025–2028) Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church Indianapolis, Indiana

May 2025

THE FOUR PILLARS OF OUR PLAN

I. Building on our Foundation

For no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 3:11)

- a) Develop a process for recruiting/training within our ministries including planning for transitions in leadership
- b) Create a long-term plan for property, facilities, and maintenance
- c) Inspire and cultivate a more robust culture of giving to support our mission and ministries

II. Taking Care of Each Other as a Parish Family

So we, though many, are one body in Christ and individually parts of one another. (Romans 12:5)

- a) Create an enhanced approach for welcoming and onboarding new parishioners
- b) Identify and support those members with unique needs/gifts to enhance our parish life (high schoolers/young adults, new parents, empty nesters, widowed, divorced, etc.)
- c) Seek out and accompany those who are disconnected or challenged in their faith

III. Worshipping God as a Faith Community

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers. (Acts 2:42)

- a) Invite and train parishioners to serve as lay liturgical ministers (lectors, ushers, servers, etc.)
- b) Strengthen the vibrancy of our liturgical music and participation
- c) Enhance communication and coordination for all liturgical ministries

IV. Becoming Disciples Together

By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. (John 15:8)

- a) Support and strengthen family life (the Domestic Church)
- b) Inventory and assess Faith Formation and Outreach offerings
- c) Create opportunities to connect with the wider community to build goodwill