

## Parish Pastoral Council Formation

### What does a Mission-Centred Parish look like in my Parish?

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1. Welcome</b></p> <p>“I was a stranger and you welcomed me” (Mt 25:35). Jesus’ idea of welcome is not just a simple greeting, but a genuine interpersonal exchange through which He initiates a relationship – and eventually, friendship – with the one called. How do we invite people into a personal relationship with Jesus?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2. Worship</b> (Liturgy and Prayer)</p> <p>Worship refers to how we celebrate Mass and the Sacraments. It also refers to the various forms of prayer we use, including prayer groups, retreats, missions, pilgrimages etc.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>3. Witness</b> (Community Life)</p> <p>Witness refers to the ways in which we create a sense of belonging in the parish. It is about including and connecting people in the parish to build up the sense of community in the parish.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>4. Word</b> (Education and Formation)</p> <p>Word refers to all the activities that happen at home, in the school and in the Parish that help people to know, appreciate and live their faith, e.g., RE in schools, pre-sacramental preparation, faith formation programmes for children, teens and adults, bible study, preaching etc.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>5. Welfare</b> (Outreach and Evangelisation)</p> <p>(1) outreach, i.e., caring for those in need, including the sick, the suffering, and the poor locally and globally; and, (2) evangelisation, bringing the Good News of Jesus into every human situation.</p>
<p><b>Our dream for our Parish:</b> A Mission-Centred Parish in _____ is a community where...</p>					
<p><b>What is working well?</b> What do we need to keep? Let us acknowledge, celebrate and thank God for what is working well in our parishes.</p>					
<p><b>What is not working well?</b> What do we need to stop/ modify? It is not about changing the message of Christ, but approaching something with new energy.</p>					
<p><b>What is missing?</b> What do we need to start? This is an opportunity to look at what we might like to start doing in our Parish to further the mission of Christ.</p>					