



BEACONS of LIGHT  
PASTORAL  
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## Vision or Mission?

Below are statements found on Parish websites. Circle which are Mission statements, and which are Vision statements. Count those which are Vision Statements.

1. Partnering on the Journey to Salvation	<b>M or V?</b>
2. We invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ through proclamation of the Gospel and inclusion within the parish family.	<b>M or V?</b>
3. We build community, help others to encounter Christ, so we may spread the gospel.	<b>M or V?</b>
4. As disciples sent to transform the world, Saint Beacons Parish will bring our community to worship of Jesus Christ	<b>M or V?</b>
5. Saint Beacons Roman Catholic church will be a light to the Community, sharing its spirituality through fellowship, and brining people to Christ.	<b>M or V?</b>
6. We, joyfully strive to live the Christian Gospel, "to do little things with great love."	<b>M or V?</b>
7. Our mission is to LIVE the GOSPEL, celebrating our Franciscan Spirituality in the midst of a diverse and ever-changing global culture.	<b>M or V?</b>
8. To live as a body of spirit-filled believers who recognize and respond in innovative ways to serve others and cultivate greater Christian discipleship.	<b>M or V?</b>
9. We the people of St. Beacons Parish are called to become what we receive: the Living Body of Christ through worship, discipleship, community, ministry, and outreach.	<b>M or V?</b>
10. St. Beacons Parish is a community of God's People empowered by the Holy Spirit to promote God's reign in the world. Nourished by Word and Sacrament, we will grow together in faith, in hope, and in passionate love of God and neighbor	<b>M or V?</b>
11. Under the care and patronage of Mary, the Mother of God, we, strive to live our baptismal call to holiness of life. Responding to the grace of the Holy Spirit received in the sacraments, we seek to become more like Jesus Christ who leads us to the Eternal Father in Heaven. We accept as our religious and moral guide the teachings of the Church as taught by the Pope and the bishops united with him. Inspired by the example of the saints and mindful that we are stewards of God's abundant blessings, we strive to practice the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy as we serve those in need and build up the Kingdom of God in our midst.	<b>M or V?</b>
12. To be a flourishing faith community, with all Saint Beacons parishioners engaged in transforming lives through evangelization and discipleship.	<b>M or V?</b>
13. Make Church matter by growing disciples among disconnected Catholics in our Saint Beacons boundaries and beyond.	<b>M or V?</b>
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<b>Total Vision Statements?</b>	

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