



Acts, Chapter 4 gives a blueprint for coming together as the Body of Christ; shared life, shared prayer, and shared mission. While we await the work of "shared mission" that Beacons of Light will afford, we encourage every parish family to consider how to begin to share life and share prayer with each other.

Share Life

Sharing life is about getting to know one another as persons (not employees) and to expand that across Parish Family Staffs.

- Monthly lunches
- Celebrate birthdays and other big anniversaries (perhaps at the monthly lunches)
- Escape Rooms / Ropes Course or some other fun and team building opportunity

Share Prayer

Sharing prayer builds upon the sharing of life. It helps keep everyone focused on what is most important: our love of God and love for one another.

- Attend a daily Mass together at least once a month, rotating the location at each parish within the family
- Agree on a prayer and fasting commitment
- Exchange names and pray for one another
- Commit to prayer for future pastor
- Pentecost - 54 Day Novena
- Regular Lectio Divina

Sharing Life & Prayer Across the Parishes

These are small ways to begin to foster community and connectivity amongst parishioners.

- Invite parishioners to attend a Mass not at their home parish
- Shared Intentions or Intentions for the other parishes
- Published Shared Confession and Adoration (other regular prayer opportunities)
- Advertising Parish Mission and Retreats
- Aware of Seminarians in Parish Family
- Encourage prayer and fasting for the pastor and family