



## Assessing Signs of Identity and Engagement in Your Family of Parishes

It is crucial to take time to assess the progress you are making toward the goals of Beacons of Light — building more vital, mission-focused communities of disciples over time. Leader groups, such as the pastoral council(s), Family Leadership Team and commissions or core teams, may look for signs of growth and change related to their areas of focus and responsibility. Consider these signs of identity and engagement in your Family of Parishes as a springboard for discussion and planning:

- Do people refer to your Family/Family name rather than their individual parishes?
- Do leaders intentionally invite participation across parishes?
- Are there signs that people are becoming acquainted and building relationships with one another?
- Is participation in Mass, sacramental preparation and service increasing?
- Are parishioners inviting others to your Family for Mass, events and service opportunities?
- Do people offer positive ideas or share concerns with a desire to bring about positive change?

What signs do you have that people are beginning to identify and feel a strong sense of belonging within your Family of Parishes?