Revitalizing Sacramental Ministry: A Framework for Parishes
Pilot Parish/Region Commitment Form

A. Goal of Pilot Parish/Regional Consultation
1. To inspire new approaches to sacramental ministry in the parish/region that responds to the diverse range of pastoral, spiritual, and cultural experiences of those seeking the sacraments.
2. To equip the parish/region in reinvigorating sacramental ministry by engaging those seeking the sacraments in a process inspired by the baptismal catechumenate in the light of the New Evangelization.
3. To provide sacramental ministry that welcomes and invites Catholics seeking the sacraments into a deeper relationship with Christ and the worshiping community, ultimately sending them back into the world as disciples of Christ Jesus.
4. To equip the parish/region with tools to succeed in bringing about transformative change in parish/regional sacramental ministry.
5. To build collaborative relationships between parish/regional staffs and Archdiocesan staff.
6. To identify best practices in sacramental ministry.

B. Expectations of the Parish/Regional Team
1. To form a parish/regional team that includes, but is not limited to the pastor, DRE/CRE and/or pastoral associate, music minister, and parents committed to reinvigorating marriage, baptismal or confirmation sacramental ministry. (Reinvigorating the sacrament of First Communion or First Reconciliation will be considered.)
2. To attend consultation meetings and engage in honest and challenging conversations identifying possibilities for sacramental ministry according to the framework and given the unique strengths, resources and obstacles of the local community.
3. To identify a local contact person who arranges for and convenes consultation meetings.
4. To complete strategies and honor deadlines.
5. To engage in meaningful evaluation of the process.
6. To share the "sacramental ministry consultation" process as well as best practices and stumbling blocks to promote reinvigorating sacramental ministry to other parishes/regions in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

C. Expectations of the AOC Sacramental Ministry Team
1. To form an interdisciplinary consulting team that includes, but is not limited to persons skilled in catechesis, family perspectives, liturgy, intercultural competence, and parish life.
2. To attend consultation meetings and engage in honest and challenging conversations identifying possibilities for sacramental ministry according to the expressed strengths, resources and obstacles of the local community.
3. To identify an Archdiocesan team leader who is the liaison to the parish/pastoral region sacramental ministry team.
4. To support the development of strategies and deadlines, assisting with needed resources as is appropriate. To share what is learned about sacramental ministry consultations, best practices and stumbling blocks with other parishes/regions so as to promote reinvigorating sacramental ministry throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

PILOT PARISH/REGION COMMITMENT

NAME OF PARISH(ES)_____________________________________________________

ADDRESS OF PARISH(ES)_________________________________________________

CONTACT PERSON________________________________ PHONE NUMBER___________

KEY STAFF MEMBERS (please list names of staff who will be involved in the process)

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SACRAMENT (please circle one)  Baptism  Confirmation  Marriage

SIGNATURE OF PASTOR_________________________________________________

Please return this completed form to the Worship Office, Archdiocese of Cincinnati, 100 E. Eighth St., Cincinnati, OH 45202, or email to k Kane@catholiccincinnati.org, or fax at 513-421-1582. Deadline: Nov. 1, 2013.