

## **GROUPS and ACTIVITIES OFFERED AT SAINT SUSANNA PARISH**

### **Altar Ministries (Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors)**

Coordinator: Father Steve

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Phone: 781-329-9575

Lectoring is a ministry that welcomes all those who have an interest in scripture and are comfortable reading to a large congregation. As the hostesses and hosts at Christ's table, Eucharistic Ministers distribute communion to the congregation during Mass and visit members of the community who are not able to attend Mass. Please contact Father Steve for further information.

### **Altar Server Ministry**

Coordinator: Open:

Phone: 781-329-9575

This youth ministry is dedicated to the support and training of our youth altar servers (girls and boys, grades 3 and up) to assist in parish liturgies. Temporarily Suspended Re: Covid

### **Ushers**

Coordinator: Frank DiMartino

Phone: 781-329-9086

Ushers welcome all to the celebration of Mass, distribute bulletins, and assist with the collection and hospitality. Women, men, and youth are all welcome!

### **Music Group**

Coordinator: Doug Farwell

Email: [dwarfwell@verizon.net](mailto:dwarfwell@verizon.net)

Phone: 508-660-2424

The Contemporary Music Group prepares and delivers liturgy-appropriate music for Sunday Mass, seasonal liturgies and other special Masses. Rehearsals are Sundays at 9:15 AM for 10:00 AM Mass and Monday evenings at 6:30 PM, with other practice as required by liturgical celebrations. Singers and musicians are most welcome.

### **Adult Faith Formation**

Coordinator: Father Steve

Phone: 781-329-9575

The Adult Faith Formation Commission plans and produces the year-long adult education program for the parish, offering courses which both inform people of all facets of the subject, and allow for independent thinking. The commission meets once a year to plan the courses for the ensuing year, and members or teams then volunteer to produce individual courses, from selecting speakers to making sure the coffee is perking at the classes. Some commission members lead discussions or teach classes. E-mail is used extensively in place of meetings to keep all informed. New Commission members are always welcome.

Sessions are currently Zoom-only due to Covid. Please contact the rectory for a Zoom link.

### **Youth Faith Formation**

Coordinator: Open:

Phone: 781-329-9575

St. Susanna Youth Faith Formation is a dynamic program which strives to enthusiastically share our faith with our youngsters. Faith – a friendship with God and to come to live within God – is a process. We like to make our youth realize that God is not someone out there and far away but rather very close, living within and around us at all times. We seek to grow with our young members to become a community of faith centered on worship, prayer, community and service. Our time together reflects these core values and practices.

### **A.A. Meetings**

Wednesday night 7:30-8:30 PM

In the Parish Hall

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### **S.V.D.P. Council**

Coordinator: Bill Gorman

Email: [egorman42@aol.com](mailto:egorman42@aol.com)

Phone: 781-329-9575

The St. Vincent de Paul Society assists families and individuals in the community facing various financial and social needs. Meetings are held on Thursday evenings. All are welcome to join.

### **Finance Council**

Coordinator: John Goodfellow

Email: [JJGCIC@aol.com](mailto:JJGCIC@aol.com)

Phone: 781-326-2007

The finance council is responsible for all aspects of church finances, makes recommendations regarding the use of church funds, and creates parish finance reports.

### **Library**

Coordinator: Martha Duffley

Email: [marthaduffley@comcast.net](mailto:marthaduffley@comcast.net)

Phone: 617-696-3781

The Parish Library, situated in the Parish Hall, is staffed by volunteer amateurs, who catalog, shelve and maintain the books and AV materials. No skills required, just a love of books. Minimal training will be supplied. Volunteers are always sought. Visit the Library!

### **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)**

Coordinator: Matt Howell

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Phone: 781-708-1081

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is a 9-member team whose purpose is to work with our Pastor to envision the long term needs of the parish (e.g., a 5-year plan) and match our needs with our resources. The PPC meets the first Sunday of each month (September-December and February-May). Members serve for 3 years. If you would like to join, please submit your name for the lottery that is held on Pentecost Sunday.

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### **Circle of Friends**

Coordinator: Sally Gould  
Email: [sally@gouldhvac.com](mailto:sally@gouldhvac.com)  
Phone: 781-444-7284

This group meets to explore ways to connect with and serve the needs of parishioners who are sick or homebound. The ministry includes providing meals, home visits, driving to doctor's visits, cards for special occasions etc. This group always welcomes new members.

### **Dedham Food Pantry**

Coordinator: Carol Burak  
Email: [carol.burak@gmail.com](mailto:carol.burak@gmail.com)  
Phone: 781-449-5343

Once a month, the second Saturday of a month, from 8 to 11 AM, volunteers assist clients with shopping at the Dedham Food Pantry. New volunteers are always welcome!

### **Bus Ministry Group**

Coordinator: Position Open!  
Email: [saintsusanna@hotmail.com](mailto:saintsusanna@hotmail.com)  
Phone: 781-329-9575

This group provides the parish with great opportunities for community building by bringing people to and from the church for mass and other church-related events. It also enriches parish life for all our different youth and adult groups by traveling together beyond the grounds of Saint Susanna. Currently, trips are to outdoor events only and are limited to people who are fully vaccinated.

### **Knitting and Crocheting Group**

Coordinator: Elaine Fino  
Email: [mrsfino65@hotmail.com](mailto:mrsfino65@hotmail.com)  
Phone: 781-329-3793

Come for knitting, crocheting, and conversation on Tuesdays at 7 PM in the Parish Hall. No experience is necessary. Experienced knitters will show you how.  
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### **Pax Christi Committee**

Coordinator: Pat Ferrone  
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Phone: 781-449-3890

The Pax Christi Committee, which generally meets monthly, seeks to educate the community on matters related to peace and justice issues including war, torture, the environmental degradation of our world and human rights and to bear witness to the hope of the gospel by bringing prayerful attention and courageous, loving resistance to those things that are disharmonious with God's Kin--dom. Outreach members reach out in service and support to the local and global community, encouraging our parish community in these efforts as well.

### **Green Thumb Garden Helpers**

Coordinator: Molly McCabe  
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Phone: 617-969-6812

Our garden helpers tend to the beautiful parish gardens, vegetable garden, and orchard. Tasks include weeding, dead heading, watering, planting or transplanting on a weekly basis. This group meets Saturday mornings at 8:00 AM for a few hours throughout the spring, summer, and fall. New gardeners are always welcome. There is no prior gardening experience necessary.

### **Bible Study Group**

Coordinator: Tim Sullivan  
Email: [timothy.sullivan17842@gmail.com](mailto:timothy.sullivan17842@gmail.com)  
Phone: 781-326-2834

A Bible study group is offered Tuesday night from 7 to 9 PM in the parish hall to systematically study the Scriptures. At times, other topics relevant to our Faith are introduced as well. Four different classes are offered throughout each year. New members are always welcome.

### **Website / IT / AV Support**

Coordinator: Phil Mandeville,  
[PhilMandeville01@gmail.com](mailto:PhilMandeville01@gmail.com)  
Phone: 617-469-0752

This group maintains the parish website, computers, network, and customized software applications, It also coordinates and operates the Audio/Visual equipment, live-streaming and photography of parish events.

### **Prayer and Adoration Group**

Coordinator: Linda Fiore  
Phone: 781-326-0492

The Prayer Group meets every Wednesday in the church from 1 PM to 2 PM for prayer, devotion and Eucharistic adoration. All are welcome.

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### **Faith Sharing Group**

Coordinator: Jean Brown  
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Phone: 781-329-2890

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Coordinator: Joanne Mongeon  
[jparnellmongeon@gmail.com](mailto:jparnellmongeon@gmail.com)  
Phone: 781-329-9575

This program welcomes adults who would like to receive Baptism, Communion or Confirmation. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices.

### **Landings Program**

Coordinator: Open  
Phone: 781-329-9575

Landings is essentially a lay-run "welcoming" program that offers Catholics who are considering coming back to the Church the opportunity to talk about their faith experiences with active Catholics in a supportive small group setting. If you know anyone who's thinking about coming back to the Church, please tell them about our Landings Program.