
WARM WELCOME

Intentional hospitality at **your** parish

CULTURE SHIFT

Welcoming is the responsibility of all, not just the greeters at the door. We want to create an environment where our whole parish is serving in this way.



FRIENDLY STEWARDS AND USHERS

Have stewards at each entrance to the Church, both at the start and end of Mass. Make sure they are clearly identifiable throughout the event.



CLEAR COMMUNICATION

Are the announcements clear and does our sound system work? Are any areas like the parish hall easily identifiable and accessible?



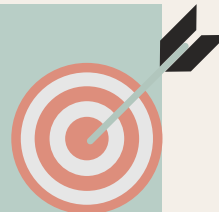
MASS WORDS AND TEXTS

Are the Mass texts available for everyone to aid participation and help people feel at home. Are song sheets printed and ready?



FACILITIES

Make sure the toilets are easily identifiable, accessible and clean. Does your parish have baby changing facilities?



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ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN.

Do you have activity bags / packs for young children to help them make the Church their home?



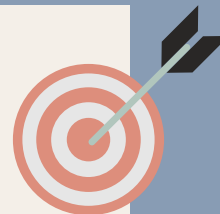
REGISTER NEW PARISHIONERS

Have a table where you can register new parishioners and provide information on your parish.



FOLLOW UP EVENTS

Plan a follow up event to which you will invite people. Alpha, Discovery or Sycamore, Coffee, New parishioners welcome evening. Have a sign up table ready.



NEW INITIATIVES

- Organise a carol service and flyer in the area.
- Have mulled wine and mince pies and invite all parishioners who haven't been back for a long time.
- Talk to other parishes about what's being planned.

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Setting up **your** parish welcoming ministry: Invitation & welcome



Ask

Ask two people who are passionate about welcoming to head up your hospitality ministry at your church

Research

Have them research church hospitality methodologies that have proven to be successful elsewhere and what they could look like in your parish context



Communicate

Have them start a WhatsApp group with a pool of people who will know what is expected of them.

Pairs

Make sure each Mass has two people welcoming at the door at the start and end of Mass



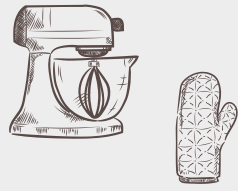
Invite

Parishioners are invited to join for C&C (coffee and cake) after the main Sunday Mass upon exiting the church



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After Mass Coffee & Cake - Intentional Fellowship after Mass



Organise

Ask two people who love to bake and drink good coffee to head up your after Mass C&C in your parish hall

Pick

Pick your busiest Sunday Mass to be followed by C&C



Organise

Have the two people set up a WhatsApp group with volunteers who loves to bake so enough cake is brought every Sunday

Prepare

Before Mass, make sure plates, forks and mugs are ready to go before Mass in the parish hall so everything is ready for after Mass.



Invest

Invest in real coffee over instant coffee. This can be an industrial drip machine.

Invite

At the end of Mass, Father invites all for coffee and cake at the parish hall for a time of fellowship.

