

Easter 2023



“Today, as pilgrims in search of hope, we cling to you, Risen Jesus. We turn our backs on death and open our hearts to you, for you are Life itself.”

- Pope Francis (2020)

Strategic Plan 2022-2024

As previously mentioned, the SASMAD team has engaged in a process of strategic planning over the last several months. Here is a short summary:

Our **First Call** – to strengthen ties with our Foundation, *Les Amis de Jeanne Mance*.

Our **Second Call** – to keep returning to Matthew 25, the gospel that inspires each of our decisions (ongoing discernment, joy as our compass and improving our internal communication).

Our **Third Call** – To keep close to our volunteers (prioritizing individual and team meetings, to be supportive and to nurture a sense of belonging).

Please don't forget to enter your visit report on our website. Please note: in the field where it says “RECORD TITLE”- please write “PHC”- and then the name of your parish (ex.: PHC- St. Luke). This helps us keep track of the visits of your parish teams.

[Here is the link](#) to the visit reports.

Thanks for taking the time to do this as it helps the work of our organization so much!

Basic Formation

Coming Up this Month **ONLINE**:

- ***Do you know someone who would like to become involved in this ministry?***
- ***Do you have modules to complete for your basic formation certificate?***

[Register HERE](#)

Wednesday evenings, from 6:30- 9:00 p.m., April 12, 19, 16 and May 3, 10, 24

Basic formation **in French** is also being offered please [view our website](#) for dates and info.

If you need to update your SPVM Police Check and/or have not received your ID badge, please contact Cathie or your parish team leader.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, April 3

Special Prayer time for Holy Week at 3 p.m.

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The Loss of Spouse

Support Group meets on Zoom from 7-8:30 p.m. We have occasional coffee meet-ups during the year as well. Feel free to refer friends or those you accompany. To receive notices and the Zoom link please e-mail: LossSpouseSupport@gmail.com

Tuesday, April 4

Special Prayer Time for Holy Week at 3:00 p.m.

April 6 through 9

Holy Week

Tuesday, April 11

Monthly Prayer time - Easter theme at 3:00 p.m.

**André will send a Zoom link for the prayer times close to the date.*

Wednesday, April 12

Basic formation for new visitors begins.

Saturday, April 22

Transformed by the Body of Christ - a Parish Vitality event.
 More to come...

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