

## PASTORAL GOALS FOR 2025-26

**PASTORAL GOAL** : ENABLING ALL  
*To Listen to the Spirit within us*  
*To Listen to the Spirit as Expressed by others*

**TARGET GROUPS** : **All Priests, Religious Laity.** In every event, meeting initiate prayer and listening to the Spirit (informally but substantially, not exactly Spiritual Conversations)

**METHOD** : FORMATION OF TEAM of Fathers, Sisters Laity  
 at Each Parish Level to enable others

### SPECIFIC GROUPS FOR SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION TRAINING

- ALL MEMBERS OF THE PPCs (Laity Commission) perhaps in Combined Parishes
- ALL FINANCE COMMISSION MEMBERS (also combining parishes) (Laity Commission)
- CATECHISTS (Catechetical Team)
- WOMEN LEADERSHIP TEAM
- LAY GROUPS LEADERSHIP TEAMS (*Jesus Youth, MFC, SVP, Lay groups of Congregations etc*)
- RETREAT FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTS this year will be specifically for Spiritual Conversations

### OTHER GROUP FORMATION TARGETS:

- ✚ ALTAR SERVER GROUPS formed of all Children who have received First Holy Communion
- ✚ YOUTH LEADERSHIP GROUP : P, VP, Sec, Male and Female Mentors in each parish

### Special TARGET GROUP – Top Priority – Migrants

- SURVEY TO BE DONE. Migrants information to be shared with the Migrants Desk led by Sr. Maggie Allesu

### SPECIAL/CORE PASTORAL ACTIVITIES AT PARISH LEVEL: - A MUST THIS YEAR

- ✓ VISITING -*personally/systematically/pastorally* by Fathers and Sisters. - Parish Survey personally by Fathers and Sisters - being personal is important.
- ✓ Identifying and Forming Lay Spiritual Leaders in each village/sector, through MFC or Jesus Youth or your own way.
- ✓ Conscientising our people of their Own Culture and Traditions.
- ✓ Formation of Diocesan Pastoral Council

### DIOCESE\DEANERY LEVEL ACTIVITIES OF COMMISSIONS

- ❖ BIBLE - Quiz for Std 9, (14.01.26)  
    Praying with the Bible with Women & Family Commission (*Dates to be fixed*)
- ❖ CATECHETICAL **Formation for Catechists** – Surat Deanery and Vadodara Deanery specially\
- ❖ ECUMENISM Unity Week meeting in Select Parishes (January 16, 2026)  
Dialogue Meeting in Select Parishes (December 20, 2025)
- ❖ HEALTH \ Meeting of Health Professionals
- ❖ FAMILY Training of Trainers for Marriage Courses (*Dates to be fixed*)
- ❖ LAITY Training of Trainers for Spiritual Conversations Parish wise (*Dates to be fixed*)  
    (PP, One Sister, VP of PPC, another lay person from each parish to participate  
    (if VP is man, then a woman or vice versa)  
    Meeting of Catholic Teachers (in three places, *dates to be fixed*)  
    MAHASAMMELAN OF ALL PPC MEMBERS (January 14)
- ❖ LITURGY Formation of Lectors in Baroda and Surat (*Dates to be fixed*)
- ❖ SC/ST: Enabling Parishes to Conscientise Tribals of their customs and traditions  
    & Constitutional Rights (In parishes, hostels *dates to be fixed*)
- ❖ WOMEN Training for Bible reading sessions with Bible Commission
- ❖ YOUTH Formation of Leadership at Deanery (*Date to be fixed*)  
    and Diocesan Level (14.01.2026) –  
    Round table for Confirmands (27-30.10.2026)
- ❖ SYNOD IMPLEMENTATION TEAM --  
*Rome has mandated to make a Synodal Implementation Team. It will be formed and names will uploaded directly by Google Docs to Rome.*  
*In May we shall be given instructions about implementation of the Synodal Document. So we might have to put some programs in here. We await instructions.*