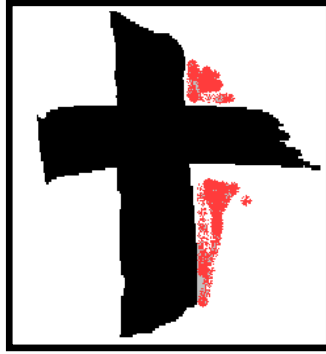


Fit for Mission?



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A Message from Mgr Canon Aidan J Turner, VG and Chairman of Fit for Mission

In January 2008 I wrote to priests, deacons, religious and laity of the parishes and deaneries, to thank all those who have responded to the *Initial Draft Proposals* and to give a brief insight into possible changes being considered for the *Revised Draft Proposals* which are now presented for further consultations.

These diocesan-wide *Revised Draft Proposals*, whilst remaining faithful to the *Fit for Mission* principles, have been revised to take account of many of the suggestions made following the circulation of the *Initial Draft Proposals*. I trust that parish and deanery groups, other organisations and individuals will once more be willing to expend their time and energy in responding to the *Revised Draft Proposals*.

Within one year the Diocese has produced the *Fit for Mission? A Guide* and the *Fit for Mission? Information Paper*; parishes have engaged in the *Parish Evaluation* exercise, responded to the *Initial Draft Proposals* and many have already started the process of strengthening their parish's Sacramental and Mission life; the Mission Review Team and its Core Group have produced the *Initial Draft Proposals*, studied the responses to these in detail and have now completed their work on the *Revised Draft Proposals*. All of this may be recognised as considerable progress in a very short space of time.

I sincerely hope that you find the *Revised Draft Proposals* presented here offer a way to strengthen and give new energy to our life and mission as Catholics, *gathered* to share in the Eucharist and *sent* out empowered by it to proclaim and witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Through our *Fit for Mission* Review, the Lord is asking us to step out courageously at His call. It is a journey, a pilgrimage, which we are invited to make in faith.

Aidan J Turner

An aligned index to all parishes is provided on page 133/4. This will be of help in locating details for any particular parish in either Part 1, or in Part 2 Section 2.

All *Revised Parish Summary Forms* will be available on the Fit for Mission website from 18 March. Also to be found under fitformission.co.uk/forum/?m=200801 is the full text of Mgr Turner's *Formal Reply to Parish Responses*; *Fit for Mission? – Glossary of Terms Used* and *Fit for Mission? – Frequently Asked Questions*. All of these items may be of help when the revised draft proposals are being considered.

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Introduction

For over a year now the Diocese of Lancaster has been engaged in the *Fit for Mission* Review. This has been an exercise of prayer and consultation in order to plan for a stronger future serving the Mission of Christ, strengthened by His power and His promises. In practice, this means considering a range of options whose purpose is to bring growth, new life, and energy to ourselves as individuals Catholics, as members of a parish, and as a Diocese. The proposals take into account the constraints and challenges faced by the Diocese and how we can best meet these. The *Initial Draft Proposals* were issued to all parishes and all responses have been carefully examined and considered.

The purpose of this document is to present a revision of the *Initial Draft Proposals* for the entire diocese in the light of the responses which have been received.

The Challenges of Pastoral Planning

Correctly interpreting the challenges of pastoral planning is an integral part of our prayer during this time of our Mission Review, whilst we face up to the reality of a Mass attendance of only one-third of the number in the 1960s and 1970s in an increased number of churches; a falling birth rate with fewer baptisms; and fewer candidates for ordination to the Priesthood.

We are also regretfully aware that those religious orders that are still providing parish priests for the diocese may not be able to do so in the long term. We acknowledge with

great gratitude the contribution that many religious orders have made to serving the parishes of the diocese over the last century and a half.

Today we have 108 parishes, 142 diocesan priests, including 40 over the retirement age of 75 years, and 27 religious priests who are assisted by 49 deacons serving about 24,400 at Sunday Mass. The predicted number of diocesan priests available for parish ministry is 84 in 2010 (for a possible 22,000 at Mass), 62 in 2015 (for a possible 20,000 at Mass) and 50 in 2020 (for a possible 18,000 at Mass). These projections for future Mass attendance assume a modest reduction of 400 each year compared with 1,000 in recent years.

The Constraints of Fewer Priests

Other than in exceptional circumstances, each priest may say no more than three Sunday/vigil Masses, both according to canon law and for good pastoral reasons (even this requires the permission of the Bishop). Canon law similarly suggests that retired priests, usually those aged over 75 years, should not be required to undertake regular parish responsibilities even if resident in a presbytery. It is also important that newly ordained priests should be allowed the several years that they need to gain adequate experience before being entrusted with major responsibility.

Given these constraints, the aim has been to ensure the provision of the minimum number of Sunday/vigil Masses needed to serve the pastoral needs of local communities, while taking account of the seating capacity of local churches.

The diocese will need to ensure that we are not expending so much of our energy and resources on providing Sunday/vigil Masses, even for very small groups, that we are unable to engage in other important ways of proclaiming the Gospel and strengthening mission. Priests and others who assist them are increasingly required to accept diocesan responsibilities in addition to the pastoral care of parishes. There are also significant chaplaincy and other pastoral commitments in each deanery, e.g. major hospitals, prisons, schools and universities. The diocese must attend to the well-being of all our parish priests, particularly when they have the legal responsibility for several church buildings and a number of other properties.

Challenges for all of the Baptised

All of the baptised are to be encouraged to take up responsibility for the life and mission of the Church. This is suitably in keeping with the Church's principle of subsidiarity, according to which each locality ought to take responsibility for its own future, whilst having confidence in the providence of God.

Most people nowadays have access to their own transport and live more mobile lives than they used to. It will be important to ensure that transport to Mass and other parish

activities is available for everyone, and while this will need care and effort, it should not present insurmountable problems.

General Considerations

The services of priests, deacons and lay ministers will need to be equitably spread to ensure that the Church retains a pastoral presence in all areas, particularly those suffering from severe deprivation or in geographically isolated locations. Besides, the sacramental index indicator is but one guide used to assess the sacramental activity of a parish, but the demands for strengthening mission in the inner areas of our towns and cities is also a major factor in determining need.

What we are being called to do, as individuals, parishes and as a diocesan Church, in this time of review is courageously to face the challenge of the present, neither dreaming of the past nor imagining a distant future. The hard work that everyone across the diocese has put into preparing and responding to these proposals offers us all an opportunity of seizing the talents we have been given and - with the Lord - of encouraging them to grow.

What happens now?

In order that the Mission Review Team and its Core Group can carefully and prayerfully prepare the *Draft Pastoral Plan* for presentation to the Bishop in June, once again your continued involvement and engagement is vital. There are several specific things that need to be done:

- Continue and intensify our prayer for courage, a spirit of sacrifice and pastoral discernment.
- Individual parishes are urged to begin to work immediately towards achieving their particular Mission and Sacramental Priorities; these have been collated from their *Parish Evaluation Forms* and more recently their *Parish Summaries*. They are also encouraged to begin to work collaboratively towards those Mission and Sacramental Priorities that they share with parishes with which they will be linked or merged.
- **Parishes** are asked to hold further open meetings to consider the *Revised Draft Proposals*, discuss their pastoral implications, and agree any questions, suggestions, or amendments to be presented to the Core Group. **Individuals** are also invited at this stage to send their own comments directly to the Core Group should they so wish.
- **The deanery pastoral councils** should convene meetings with parish representatives to consider the *Revised Draft Proposals*, discuss their implications,

and agree any suggestions, amendments, or further recommendations, to be presented to the Core Group. **Deanery clergy conferences** should do the same.

- Parishes, deanery pastoral councils, schools, diocesan commissions and agencies, Catholic groups, local authorities, other associations and individuals are invited to comment on the *Revised Draft Proposals* and send their suggestions, proposed amendments, and further recommendations to the Core Group by **1 May 2008**, via the Secretary (Fr Robert Billing, The Pastoral Centre, Balmoral Road, Lancaster, LA1 3BT, or by email to: mission.review@lancasterrcdiocese.org.uk)

Part 1: The Sacramental and Mission Priorities of the Existing Parishes.

One passage of Scripture has been the inspiration of this mission review, and is to be found on the cover of every draft proposal:

‘Then Jesus called the twelve together and gave them power and authority ... and He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal.’ (Luke 9: 1-2)

This is the source of the major image of the Church that informs our work – the people of God, a people *gathered* around Christ through His sacraments, to be empowered and *sent* out in His mission to the world.

As Bishop Patrick puts it in *Fit for Mission? A Guide*, Luke 9: 1-2 tells us two key things about being the people of God:

1. **Gathered through the sacraments:** Jesus calls us together as His people to give us power and authority through the sacraments to serve the needs of others, and enable us to grow ‘in the Spirit’.
2. **Sent out in mission:** Jesus sends us out as His people on a mission to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to heal.

At the beginning of the Mission Review we asked you to complete a *Parish Evaluation Form* which gave a snapshot of the sacramental and mission life of each parish, to help you and the Mission Review Team, and its Core Group, identify each parish’s strengths and areas of development. We also asked you to draw up, through careful and prayerful consultation, priorities for the development of your parish’s sacramental and mission life.

This invaluable work was carefully assessed by the Core Group and the Mission Review Team, and used to provide each parish with feedback to help strengthen your sacramental and mission life through the *Parish Summary Forms*.

The sacramental and mission priorities for each parish, identified collaboratively by you and the Mission Review Team, are re-presented here in a simple format to assist each parish to be re-invigorated as a **people** *gathered* and *sent*.

These sacramental and mission priorities are not contingent on proposals for linking or merging at some time in the future, but are **urgent needs now**.

There is a word in the New Testament, *Kairos*, meaning ‘the right time’. It is used to refer to turning points in history marked by the special intervention of God through Christ

(Ephesians 1:10; I Thessalonians 5:1-2; Revelation 1:33; 22:10). For the People of God in our diocese, now is the 'right time' to act on the priorities that we have identified together, with the help of the Lord.

Looking through the sacramental and mission priorities for the parishes you will notice a pattern emerging of areas we need to develop. Many parishes have identified unique, specific priorities. A summary of priorities common to many of the parishes of the diocese is presented in the first table below.

<i>The Diocese of Lancaster as a whole.</i>	
Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism first communion, confirmation and marriage preparation. • Establish liturgy committees. • Develop ongoing formation encouraging lay leadership. • Establish faith sharing/ RCIA groups. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop mission with families through relationships with primary schools. • Develop greater parish links and collaboration with secondary schools. • Establish faith focused youth groups. • Develop mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visiting. • Establish bereavement groups. • Develop mission with other Christian communities and World Faith Groups.

1. The Cathedral parish of St. Peter including St. Thomas More.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater lay involvement in baptism and marriage catechesis. • Develop a bereavement group. • Two year programme of catechism and prayer opportunities (2008 – Scripture; 2009 – Eucharist). • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its links with the Cathedral school, and the play group. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound. • Develop mission within families, parish, and city. • Developing its mission with migrants

2. The parish of St. Joseph, Skerton, including St. Robert Bellarmine, Halton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council. • Develop first holy communion and confirmation programme. • Greater lay involvement in baptism and marriage catechesis. • Develop a bereavement group. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through the excellent relationship with St Joseph's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Establish a faith-focused youth group. • Establish an SVP group. • Develop mission with lapsed and housebound.

3. The parish of St Bernadette, Lancaster.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a welcoming ministry. • Develop more social activities. • Develop on-going formation in the light of the 'stewardship returns'. • Parish Council to discuss in light of stewardship responses. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its outstanding relationship with St Bernadette's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Continue the mission to Young people especially in light of the 'Impact' Youth Group and other Youth activities. • Develop its mission with older people. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound. • With 10% of the parish from non white ethnic groups, it would benefit from developing its mission with migrants. • Parish Council to discuss in light of stewardship responses.

4a. The parish of Ss. Thomas and Elizabeth, Thurnham.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train more lay catechists. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Deepening leadership by arranging training courses and retreats for readers and Eucharistic ministers. • The parish has identified the development of lay leadership as a priority, involving the renewal of a stewardship programme. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Develop a faith-focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and with the sick and housebound. • Parish will support a young parishioner working in an orphanage in Madagascar. • Develop its mission with migrants.

4b. The parish of St. Joseph, Galgate.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Liturgy committee. • Identify and train more lay catechists. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Deepening leadership by deepening awareness of ministries and running of parish. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • On-going formation in the provision of a 6 monthly retreat and a weekly Lenten house group. • Develop a faith sharing/RCIA group • Develop its mission with older people, and with the sick and housebound. • Develop its mission with migrants.

5a. The parish of St. Mary, Morecambe.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee, and property management team. • The parish plans to develop its welcoming ministry. • Develop more social activities. • The parish plans to identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Involvement of trained catechists in reconciliation and holy communion preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its good relationship with St Mary's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • The parish plans to develop a faith-focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits.

5b. The parish of the Good Shepherd, Torrisholme.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee, and property management team. • The parish plans to develop its welcoming ministry. • Develop more social activities. • Identify and foster greater lay involvement in liturgy. • The parish plans to identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Involvement of trained catechists in reconciliation and holy communion preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its good relationship with St Mary's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • The parish plans to develop a faith-focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick and housebound and the poor beyond home visits.

6a. The parish of St. Patrick, Morecambe.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism preparation. • The parish plans to develop a deanery marriage preparation programme. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through the excellent relationship with St Patrick's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Develop the reciprocal involvement in Morecambe and Heysham <i>Churches Together</i>. • Develop faith focused group for older youth. • The parish plans to develop a deanery bereavement group.

6b. The parish of Holy Family, Morecambe.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and a property management team. • Identify and foster greater lay involvement in liturgy. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop ongoing formation. • The parish hopes to provide a children's liturgy, no matter how few attend • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Patrick's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Establish in some way an ecumenical engagement. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Develop its mission to the poor with the formation of an SVP group

7a. The parish of St. William, Pilling.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee and property management team. • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its good relationship with St William's primary school. • Establish a faith-focused group for older youth. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits.

7b. The parish of St. Bernard, Knott End.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management team. • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Introduce a Children's Liturgy no matter how many attend. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its good relationship with St William's primary school. • Establish a faith-focused youth group with other parishes. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Seek more involvement in the local <i>Churches Together</i>.

7c. The parish of St. Francis, Hambleton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management team. • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • St. Francis plans to develop Christian responsibility and foster leadership. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With 18 members of the congregation of 35 under the age of 65, the parish would benefit from developing its mission with families. • The parish plans to develop its mission with the sick and housebound especially through the training and use of Extraordinary Ministers.

8a. The parish of Ss Mary and Michael, Garstang.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to re-establish a confirmation group in conjunction with M+M youth group. • The parish plans to foster vocations through a 'chalice' group • Continue with the ongoing formation within the parish.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish would benefit from establishing a <u>weekly</u> faith focused youth group. • The parish has a strong sense of mission and this is spelt out in the way the various sectors of the parish are cared for – Youth, Elderly, those with ministries, the sick and housebound. • Continue the support given to Zambia and other areas of outreach. • Establish a bereavement group.

8b. The parish of Ss Mary and James, Scorton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council and property management team. • Develop social activities. • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop on-going formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • The parish plans to foster leadership. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Create the infrastructure which would allow full parish discussion on priorities,

9a. The parish of Our Lady, Carnforth.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop greater lay involvement in liturgy. • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its good relationship with Our Lady of Lourdes primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish hopes to have joint groups with St. Mary's , Bolton le Sands. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Establish an SVP group and seek to develop its work for CAFOD.

9b. The parish of St. Mary, Bolton-le-Sands.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady of Lourdes primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Develop the outreach work which is focussed on the parishioner working in Madagascar. • Continue and allow to develop the activities in the local <i>Churches Together</i>. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits.

9c. St. Mary, Yealand Conyers.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council, finance committee, liturgy committee, and a property management team. • Develop greater lay involvement in liturgy. • The parish plans to create a sense of togetherness in view of fewness of numbers. • Develop the involvement of lay catechists in baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop on-going formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with older people, particularly social activities. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits.

10. The parish of St. Mary, Hornby including Our Lady, Caton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop greater involvement of parishioners in the administrative life of the parish. • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish plans to establish a working group to develop 'compelling witness'. • The parish plans prayer and youth group activity to foster vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • To continue the ecumenical links in the parish and the ecumenical sub-committee. • Establish a weekly faith focused youth group.

11. St. Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • The parish plans to develop its first holy communion and confession programme in the absence of Catholic schools, through children's liturgy and encouraging greater parental involvement. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • The parish plans to continue to support projects in its sister parish in Malawi. • The parish plans to continue its commitment to on-going formation in a variety of initiatives.

12. The parish of the Sacred Heart, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop more social activities, especially in view of the number of young migrants • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop "parish focused" on-going formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish plans to continue to serve the community and visitors as a town centre shrine with services and an open, welcoming church. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • Establish a faith-focused youth group. • The parish plans to further develop its outreach to the poor. • Establish an SVP group. • Establish a bereavement group.

13. The parish of St Kentigern, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly in marriage preparation. • The parish plans to further develop First Holy Communion; Sacrament of Reconciliation; Baptism and Confirmation programmes. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its inseparable relationship with St Kentigern's primary school. • Further develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • Establish a faith-focused group for older youth. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Establish a bereavement group. • The parish plans to further develop evangelisation and RCIA.

14a. The parish of St Bernadette, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to establish a parish pastoral council, finance committee, and property management team. • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to establish an adult formation programme for the parents of first Holy Communicants. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Bernadette's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • The parish plans to share their youth group with local parishes, and to encourage a monthly Mass with young people (10-14) where they plan and lead the liturgy.

14b. The parish of Holy Family, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists for all initiation catechesis, and marriage preparation. • The parish has identified lay leadership of sacramental programmes as a priority • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Holy Family primary school. • Further develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people through its Ascent Group under the guidance of Sr Kathleen. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound. • Establish a bereavement group.

15. The parish of Christ-the King, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • The parish plans to develop its baptism preparation and follow up. • The parish plans to develop ongoing formation and renewal. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Christ the King primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • Establish a faith-focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through social activities, and through approaching groups such as First Holy Communicants. • The parish plans to develop its mission with the lapsed through the Legion of Mary. • Establish a bereavement group.

16. The parish of St Cuthbert, including St Margaret Clitherow chapel, Blackpool

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and consider providing more formal training for catechists. • The parish plans to foster greater lay leadership in the parish. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Cuthbert's primary school. • Develop existing parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with families, the poor and visitors under the guidance of an Action Plan to be drawn up by the Parish Pastoral Council.

17. The parish Our Lady of the Assumption, Blackpool.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish has identified the need to establish an RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady of the Assumption primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with both St Mary's Catholic College and St Bede's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group.

<i>18a. The parish of St John Vianney, Blackpool.</i>	
Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop social activities. • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St John Vianney's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • The parish plans to develop a faith focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group

<i>18b. The parish of St Monica, Blackpool.</i>	
Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee and liturgy committee. • The parish plans to establish Baptism and Holy Communion programmes. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St John Vianney's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Mary's Catholic College. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with older people. • Establish a bereavement group.

<i>19a. The parish of St John the Evangelist, Poulton.</i>	
Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish an RCIA group. • The parish plans to develop ongoing formation eg. use of ALPHA or CAFE. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its relationship with St John's primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound by aiming to increase SVP registration.

19b. The parish of English Martyrs, Poulton, including the chapel of St Martin.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists for all the sacraments of initiation, and marriage. • Establish children's liturgy. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through strengthening its relationship with St John's primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and with the sick and housebound.

20. The parish of the Sacred Heart, Thornton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee and a property management team. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop its baptism programme of preparation. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Sacred Heart primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Further develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound. • The parish plans to raise the profile of the parish through the use of local media, by identifying individuals to take on the role of press officer.

20b. The parish of St Nicholas Owen, Thornton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a property management team. • Identify and train lay catechists for all sacraments of initiation, and marriage. • Establish an RCIA group. • Further develop the ongoing formation programme. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Sacred Heart primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound. • Explore the potential for evangelisation by its successful website

21a. The parish of St Teresa, Cleveleys.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a property management team. • The parish plans to further develop the Stewardship Programme through its 'gifts offered, gifts shared' programme. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Teresa's primary school. • Further develop its mission with youth through establishing a faith-focused youth group. • Encourage the work of its Youth SVP.

21b. The parish of St John Southworth, Cleveleys.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Further develop ongoing formation such as the Scripture Group. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Teresa's primary school. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Actively pursue its identified priority of reaching out to the "lapsed"

22a. The parish of St Wulstan, Fleetwood.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Further develop ongoing formation via its monthly Prayer and Bible study groups. • The parish plans to foster leadership and develop authentic liturgy. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Wulstan and St Edmund's primary school. • Develop links and collaboration with Cardinal Allen High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop a bereavement group.

22b. The parish of St Mary, Fleetwood.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council. • The parish plans to develop training for liturgical ministries. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Further develop ongoing formation work already undertaken. • The parish plans to develop authentic liturgy. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Mary would benefit from developing its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's primary school. • Develop links and collaboration with Cardinal Allen High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group.

22c. The parish of St Edmund, Fleetwood.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • Further develop ongoing formation building on the work of the RCIA group. • The parish plans to develop authentic liturgy. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Wulstan and St Edmund's primary school. • Develop links and collaboration with Cardinal Allen High School. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with youth by encouraging involvement in the Parish Pastoral Council.

23. The parish of St Mary, Great Eccleston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Liturgy committee and Property management team. • Develop welcoming ministry, particularly encouraging visits from caravanners during holidays. • Develop social activities. • Develop lay involvement in liturgical ministries. • The parish plans to establish a music group involving young people. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound. • The parish is looking into the possibility of creating an area at the back of church for social activity after Mass.

24a. The parish of St John the Evangelist, Kirkham.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • The parish plans to establish a parish consultation group to foster lay leadership. • Identify and train more lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with the Willows Catholic primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group.

24b. The parish of St Anne, Westby Mills.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group, building on the Tabor experience. • Develop ongoing formation. • To help the laity, including the young, to participate more fully in parish celebrations • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound by the establishment of an SVP. • The parish plans to develop non-sacramental liturgies and social events to include lapsed and non-Catholics.

24c. The parish of St Joseph, Wesham.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council and finance committee. • The parish plans to foster leadership and compelling witness by requesting laity to volunteer to take on more responsibility. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Establish a faith-sharing/RCIA group. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Joseph's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Develop its mission with youth in consultation with Diocesan Youth Office

25. The parish of Holy Family, Freckleton.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Parish Pastoral Council to co-ordinate the work of existing committees. • Establish a welcoming ministry. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a year round faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Holy Family primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visiting. • Act on the identified priority of engaging with non-practising families

26. The parish of St Peter, Lytham.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish is to further develop ongoing formation building on the work of its RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Peter's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group linking with St Joseph's. • Establish a bereavement group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with the poor, based on the work of parishioners with a local home for the homeless.

27. The parish of St Joseph, Ansdell.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish is to develop the prayer life of the parish. • The parish is committed to developing an attractive and meaningful liturgy(encouraging more youth involvement). • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Peter's primary school and develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Establish a bereavement group. • The parish is to develop more ecumenical, inclusive social/devotional activities. • Explore ways of Evangelisation

28a.The parish of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, St Annes-on-Sea.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop and review its baptismal programme, including formation of parents. • The parish has an RCIA group and plans to develop its ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady's primary school. • Further develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • The parish is to establish a faith focused youth group. • Monitor the impact of the catechetical programme started in September 2007 • Establish a bereavement group.

28b. The parish of St Alban, St Annes-on-Sea.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation e.g. through the work of the Parish Prayer Group • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Bede's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Strengthen its outreach to the community such as its active SVP.

29a. The parish of St Ignatius, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to improve its liturgy. • To foster more lay catechists. • Further develop ongoing formation. • The parish plans to organise combined services with its Polish community and the Syro-Malabar Catholic church. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Ignatius primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • To encourage the integration of St Ignatius' ethnic communities.

29b. The parish of English Martyrs, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop the liturgy – musically. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for first holy communion and baptism preparation. • Further develop ongoing formation. • To have targeted celebration – especially healing Masses • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with English Martyrs primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College. • Establish a faith focussed youth group. • The parish plans to continue its outreach to alienated Catholics.

30. The parish of St Wilfrid, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Property Management Team. • Foster greater lay participation in the liturgy. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College. • The parish is to develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Establish a bereavement group.

31a. The parish of St Augustine, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation.• The parish is to foster leadership, authentic liturgy, and Christian responsibility.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College.• The parish is to further develop its outreach to youth, mission with families and the new evangelisation.• The parish is to further develop its mission with migrants.

31b. The parish of St Joseph, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify and further train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• The parish plans to encourage parents to be involved throughout the sacramental programmes for baptism, communion, and confirmation.• Develop ongoing formation.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Joseph's primary school.• Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College.• Establish a faith focused youth group.• Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound.• Develop its mission with migrants, and world faiths.• The parish is to develop its outreach to the lapsed.

31c. The parish of St Teresa, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee and property management team. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Teresa's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Christ the King High School and Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Develop its mission with migrants, and world faiths. • Develop social activities for the parish.

32a. The parish of St Walburge, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management team. • Foster and identify lay leaders, encouraging parishioners to use their gifts for the good of the parish. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its provision of the sacrament of marriage. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • The parish plans to develop its outreach, particularly through the <i>Legion of Mary</i>.

32b. The parish of Sacred Heart, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Sacred Heart primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound.

32c. The parish of Our Lady and St Bernard, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a liturgy committee • The parish is to develop Christian responsibility through developing the parish pastoral council. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Bernard's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Increasing the involvement in the parish of school children and through them, their parents and grandparents. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound.

32d. The parish of Ss Peter and Paul, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish is to develop Christian responsibility through developing the parish pastoral council. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Bernard's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound. • Increase the involvement in the parish of children and through them their parents and grandparents.

33a. The parish of St Maria Goretti, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Maria Goretti's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Corpus Christi Catholic College. • Develop its collaboration and mission with the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church. • The parish plans to continue supporting diocesan links with Monze.

33b. The parish of the Blessed Sacrament, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management team. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Further develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Blessed Sacrament primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Corpus Christi Catholic College. • The parish plans to develop its outreach to lapsed Catholics.

34. The parish of Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, parish pastoral council, liturgy committee and property management team. • Further develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop its vibrant mission with families through its relationship with Alston Lane Catholic primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Cecelia's Catholic High School Longridge. • Develop collaboration between the parish and the parish of St Francis, Goosnargh (Hill Chapel).

35. The parish of St Francis, Goosnargh.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to involve parents in the holy communion and confession programmes. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Francis primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group.

36a. The parish of St Anthony, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to celebrate the sacraments in as real and authentic a way as possible, according to the present thinking, teaching and practise of the Catholic Church. • The parish also plans to develop its sacramental programmes. • The parish plans to further develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its excellent relationship with St Anthony's primary school. • Further develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused group for older youth. • Further encourage engagement with Justice and Peace issues.

36b. The parish of the Holy Family, Ingol.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans outreach to those 'excluded from church elsewhere by nature of marriage situation or similar'. • The parish plans to use the 'Landings' programme to reach lapsed Catholics. • The parish plans to further develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its excellent relationship with Holy Family primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a bereavement group. • Develop the bookshop ministry.

37a. The parish of St Andrew, Cottam.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop its baptism programme. • Develop ongoing formation. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's and St Andrew's Primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused group for older youth. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound. • The parish plans to raise consciousness of the work of Church in the developing world and to explore partnership with projects run by missionary orders.

37b. The parish of St Mary, Lea Town.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee and property management team. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Re-establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish plans to develop Christian responsibility. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • To improve parish communications.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound.

37c. The parish of St Robert, Catforth.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and extend lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish is to develop lay leadership and liturgy. • Recruit individuals of all ages for leadership roles • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound. • Further develop parish website.

38. The parish of St Mary, Newhouse.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • The parish plans to develop the stewardship programme. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationships with St Mary and St Andrew's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound.

39. The parish of Our Lady and St Edward, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • The parish plans to involve more parents in its sacramental programmes. • The parish plans to encourage greater reverence before and during Mass. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationships with Our Lady and St Edward's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School.

40a. The parish of St Clare, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • The parish is to develop its baptism programme. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its link with St Clare's primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with Corpus Christi Catholic College. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group. • To invite adults to attend the RE Live programme.

40b. The parish of St Mary, Fernyhalgh.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish plans to promote adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, reconciliation, and services of healing promoted <i>via</i> pilgrimages at the Shrine. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Mary would benefit from developing its mission with families through its links with Ladyewell Shrine. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound.

41. The parish of St Gregory, Preston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Property Management Team. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish an RCIA group. • The parish is to encourage parental support of its sacramental programmes. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its link with St Gregory's primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with Corpus Christi Catholic College. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with migrants, and world faiths.

42. Parish of St Thomas the Apostle, Claughton-on-Brock.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish regular children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish is to foster lay leadership through training. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish is to develop its mission with families through its link with St Mary's primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with Our Lady's High School, Preston. • Develop Mission with families.

43a. The parish of St. Mary, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand the finance committee and establish a liturgy committee. • Develop range of social activities. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop the fortnightly children's liturgy group • Develop regular ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its excellent relationship with St Pius' primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • Develop its mission with the poor in the area. • Develop its mission with older people through establishing an SVP group. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits of Ministers and Legion of Mary. • Further develop its mission with migrants. • Respond to the need for a bereavement group. • The parish plans to develop awareness of Justice and Peace issues with a focus on the sanctity of life.

43b. The parish of Holy Family, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • Develop regular ongoing formation. • The parish plans to foster authentic liturgy through studying the GIRM. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its excellent relationship with Holy Family primary school. • Continue and develop the RCIA group. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • The parish has the potential to develop its mission with workers through a parishioner's role as work-place chaplain • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with the sick and housebound.

43c. The parish of St. Pius X, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council and liturgy committee. • Establish a ministry of welcoming. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Give further support to the weekly Children's Liturgy • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish plans to establish offertory processions involving laity. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its excellent relationship with St Pius' primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with Sacred Heart Primary School and St Bernard's High School. • The parish would benefit from establishing a faith-focused youth group. • Establish a faith focused prayer group. • The parish intends to continue its support for the parish CAFOD group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Develop its mission with the poor through establishing an SVP group.

44a. The parish of the Sacred Heart, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop its baptism programme. • Further develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its 'mutually enriching' relationship with Sacred Heart primary school. • Further develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Further develop its mission with older people. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Establish a bereavement group. • Develop its mission with migrants. • The parish plans to develop its outreach to lapsed Catholics. • Continue its support of the Furness Homeless support group.

44b. The parish of St. Patrick, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and finance committee. • Establish a ministry of welcoming. • Develop the provision of social activities. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Sacred Heart primary school and St Columba primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • Develop its mission with older people. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Establish an SVP and/or Legion of Mary group.

44c. The parish of St. Columba, Barrow-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Develop its ministry of welcoming. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • The parish seeks to develop its RCIA group, its <i>lectio divina</i> group and its strong group of Altar Servers who form a strong Guild of St. Stephen • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its strong relationship with St Columba primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Develop its mission to the poor • Establish an SVP and/or Legion of Mary group.

45. The parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, Dalton-in-Furness, including St. Anthony, Askham-in-Furness.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group • Further develop its ecumenical relations and devotions.. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • Establish a faith focussed Youth Group.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady of the Rosary primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • Further develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound beyond home visits perhaps including liturgical services.. • Develop its mission with workers through the parish priest's role as chaplain to BAE, Barrow. • The parish plans to develop its outreach.

46. The parish of St. Mary, Ulverston.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a property management team. • The parish plans to develop social activities. • The parish plans to develop its ministry of welcoming. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to raise the profile of the sacraments, particularly reconciliation and the eucharist. • The parish seeks to develop further its prayer groups and Lectio Divina. • Establish weekly children's liturgy. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary primary school. • Develop its links and collaboration with St Bernard's High School. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with youth. • Further develop its mission with older people, and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • The parish will continue to support the SVP and CWL which are active in the parish • The parish is involved with Churches Together. • The parish plans to develop its outreach to the lapsed.

47. The parish Our Lady and St. James, Millom.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand the membership of the parish pastoral council. • Develop its ministry of welcoming. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Support the children's liturgy group • The parish plans to establish a baptism programme. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St James primary school and social activities. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Develop its relationship with the elderly by more social events. • Continue to support the SVP, KSC, CAFOD and Fair Trade groups • Continue with the initiative of approaching the lapsed.

48. The parish of Our Lady and St. Charles, Keswick.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish a liturgy committee.• Indentify and train altar servers.• Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• Establish a children's liturgy, no matter how few children attend.• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With 45% of the parish under the age of 60 the parish would benefit from developing its mission with families.• Continue the course on scriptural spirituality, regularly attended by 30+.• Establish 'leadership groups' and an 'open Pastoral forum' to increase lay leadership and participation• Establish a faith focused youth group.• Engaging the skills and charisms of its older people in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and administrative life of the parish.• Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits.• The parish focuses on its mission with the poor, reflected in its SVP group, CAFOD fund-raising group, Justice & Peace group, & a new CAFOD education group.• The parish provides for its mission with the sick and housebound through its SVP and Catenian groups, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and home visits by parishioners and PP.

49a. The parish of Mater Amabilis, Ambleside.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council and property management team. • The parish plans to develop and strengthen its liturgy. • Identify and train altar servers • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With 43 % of the congregation under the age of 60+, the parish would benefit from developing its mission with families. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits possibly including more social activity and special liturgical services. • The parish is considering a 'chaplaincy' presence at the new University of Cumbria. • The parish plans to develop its mission with migrants and visitors. • Developing provision for the group of migrants has been identified as a priority, including special Masses • Develop the ongoing formation - There is a programme of on-going formation, currently focusing on the Eucharist. There are also shared study days with <i>Churches Together</i>. Parishioners also participate in an ecumenical Christian meditation group.

49b. Our Lady of the Wayside, Grasmere.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council, liturgy committee, and property management team. • Develop social activities. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Identify a group of Extraordinary Ministers. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish plans weekly exposition. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parish needs to consider other ways of developing its mission with local families and young people. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick and the housebound • Establish an SVP and/or Legion of Mary group. • Develop its mission with visitors. • Develop further the local ecumenical initiatives.

49c. The parish of Sacred Heart, Coniston, including the chapel at Hawkshead (Mass in the Anglican Church)

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism. • The parish plans to develop its marriage preparation course. • Develop ongoing formation • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • The parish seeks to continue its Prayer Group and participate in the ecumenical prayer group locally.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parish needs to further consider other ways of developing its mission with local families. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Further develop its mission with older people, the sick and the housebound. • The parish plans to organise an ecumenical mission to the village.

50a. The parish of Our Lady and St. Herbert, Windermere, including Sacred Heart, Staveley.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • The parish plans to foster leadership through training in collaborative ministry. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Cuthbert's primary school. • The parish plans to establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people, the sick and housebound through its Social and Caring Committee.

50b. St. Philip Howard Mass Centre, Glenridding.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish at least a pastoral council. • The community plans to establish a welcoming ministry. • Identify and train readers, extraordinary ministers of holy communion and altar servers. • Establish children's liturgy. • Develop ongoing formation particularly in Advent and Lent. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish its mission with older people and the sick and housebound through home visits by extraordinary ministers of holy communion. • The community plans to establish its mission with visitors.

51. The parish of St. Charles, Grange-over-Sands, including St. Cuthbert, Flookburgh.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop authentic liturgy and deepening leadership. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • The parishes would benefit from developing a team of catechists, possibly drawing on the Diocese's Course for Parish Catechists
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parish needs to further consider other ways of developing its mission with local families. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with older people, the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, pastoral, social, and administrative life of the parish, reflected in the activity of the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance committee, Liturgy committee, Property management team, and Social committee.

52. The parishes of Christ-the-King, Milnthorpe, and Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a joint parish pastoral council, finance committee, liturgy committee, and property management team. • Develop social activities despite absence of hall. • The parishes plan to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parishes plan to develop ongoing formation. • The parish hopes to produce a Directory of the parish and also a frequent Newsletter to facilitate communication. • A Parish Prayer Group has been set up which meets on Thursday mornings in term time. • The parishes would benefit from a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish is considering building a parish hall. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parishes need to further consider other ways of developing its mission with local families. • The parishes plan to further develop its mission with older people, the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Consideration is being given to the establishment of a stewardship group. • Establish a SVP group and/or Legion of Mary group. • Develop their outreach to migrants and the lapsed in addition to the support given to Cenacolo.

53. The parish of Holy Trinity and St. George, Kendal, including Ss Robert & Alice, Dodding Green and Sedbergh chapel

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to further develop social activities. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • The parish plans to further develop evangelisation. • Ongoing formation is well-developed with additional plans.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Dean Gibson primary school. • The development of the parish's social life has been identified as a priority, with its plans to re-establish the Over- 60's club. • The parish plans to further develop its mission with youth. • The parish plans to develop its mission with older people with the creation of an over 60 Club.

54. The parish of Our Lady, Appleby, including Holy Family, Kirkby Stephen

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish a parish pastoral council, liturgy committee and property management team.• The parish plans to establish stewardship structures and training.• Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group.• The parish plans to develop compelling witness.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Without its own primary or secondary school, the parish plans to consider other ways of developing its mission with local families.• Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound beyond home visits.• Establish a SVP group and/or Legion of Mary group.• The parish makes provision for its mission with the world through supporting 4 orphanages in India, CAFOD, APF, & Church in Need.• Establish a faith focused youth group.• The parish plans to develop evangelisation.• The parish hopes to develop the ecumenical ties.• There is a regular, systematic approach to ongoing formation through courses such as; 'Pitch your Tent, 'With Hearts and Minds' and 'Prayer'.

55. The parish of St. Catherine, Penrith, including St. Norbert, Shap.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • Identify and train more altar servers. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • There is systematic, ongoing formation through a twice monthly 'Discover our Faith' course and a newly formed pro-life group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a Parish Development Team, Finance committee, and Property management team. • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St. Catherine primary school. • The parish is undertaking a 6 month Stewardship Campaign to further develop parishioners' charisms. • The parish makes provision for its mission with the poor through its 'Helpers of the Holy Spirit Sisters' (Monze Diocese, Zambia) prayer and support group. • The parish's involvement in <i>Churches Together</i> is developing. • The parish plans to develop its mission with youth, which would be facilitated through establishing a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound beyond home visits.

56. The parish of Our Lady and St. Wilfrid, Warwick Bridge, including the chapel of St. Ninian, Brampton

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to establish a liturgy committee. • The parish plans to develop its prayer life especially with families. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • There is a good level of lay involvement in liturgical ministries. Lay catechists are involved in preparations for all sacraments of initiation. The parish has a team of very committed catechist who run 10 First Confession sessions and 20 First Holy Communion sessions. • Marriage preparation involves the parish priest and Marriage Care, Carlisle • There is a Children's Liturgy of the Word, with 10 in attendance fortnightly at St Wilfrid and 15 in attendance weekly at St Ninian's. • There is on-going formation reflected in occasional day courses on the Liturgy, Annual Day Courses for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. There is an RCIA group.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a weekly faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound beyond home visits. • The parish makes provision for its mission with families through House Masses during Advent and Lent, special liturgies at Christmas and Easter, support of the <i>Cor et Lumen</i> Christi family weekends, and a Christmas party for young families. • Establish a SVP group and continue its support for the Legion of Mary group. • The parish plans to renew its commitment to its justice and peace group.

57. The parish of St. Augustine, Carlisle, including the chapel of Our Lady of Good Council, Longtown.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • The parish plans to reform its baptismal preparation group • The parish also plans to encourage personal prayer in the home. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • There is a high level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, social, and administrative life of the parish. There is a Parish Pastoral Council, also serving as the Finance committee and Property management team, and a Stewardship committee. • Lay catechists are involved in preparations for all sacraments of initiation. Marriage preparation is undertaken by the parish priest and Marriage Care, Carlisle, involving experienced married couples • There is a Children's liturgy which attracts 46. This is made up of three separate groups depending on their age. • There is provision for on-going formation through the Christian Stewardship programme, Praying the Scripture, Lectio Divina, and a shared RCIA group with Our Lady and St Joseph's.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its relationship with St. Cuthbert's primary school. • The parish plans to foster the life and faith of the families through social gatherings. New parishioners are given a leaflet with information of the various organisations and activities. There are refreshments after Mass and other social activities, including a parish barbeque, parish ceilidh, family camping weekend and days out • Develop parish links and collaboration with Newman School. • The parish has an active and innovative mission with youth, through two youth groups catering for Yr 6 & 7, and Yr 8 & 9, hosting the twice monthly <i>Ignite</i> – the deanery youth-orientated liturgy, providing the support group for the deanery youth worker, and part funding her work. In 2006, young people attended the week-long New Dawn event, Walsingham, and the diocesan weekend at Brettargh. The Parish Assembly has set further development of youth work as a priority

58. The parish of Our Lady and St. Joseph, Carlisle.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish is looking into the construction of a new parish hall. • The parish plans to improve leadership and closer involvement in the Eucharist. • There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and administrative life of the parish. There is an active Parish Development Group, Finance committee, Liturgy committee, and Property management team. • The parish has recently undertaken a Stewardship campaign to foster lay charisms. • There is a good level of lay involvement in liturgical ministries, with 22 readers and 26 extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Lay catechists are involved in preparations for all sacraments of initiation, including a baptism team. Two marriage preparation courses are held each year by Carlisle Marriage Care. • Children's Liturgy is also provided with 20 Children attending • On-going formation for lay ministry is well developed through courses run bi-annually in the Deanery. The parish would benefit from systematic, regular ongoing formation. There is an RCIA group • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop its mission with families through its relationship with St. Cuthbert's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Newman School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • In an area of social deprivation, the parish reaches out through a very active SVP Group • The parish priest acts as chaplain to the Hostels for the Homeless • The parish is involved in New Evangelisation through its revival of its 'Homecomings' group • There is an active Justice & Peace Group, CAFOD group, and Fair-trade group • The parish has been well served by Deacons for a number of years – we recommend that this ministry continue to be encouraged in the parish • Further develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound. • The parish plans to develop its outreach to the lapsed. • The parish participates in <i>Churches Together</i>

59a. The parish of St. Margaret Mary, Carlisle.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand membership of its finance and liturgy committees. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish provides children's liturgy, attended by up to 10 children • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish plans to foster lay leadership. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to further develop its mission with families through its relationship with St. Margaret Mary's primary school. • The parish also plans to develop parish links and collaboration with Newman School. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop its mission with the poor, through its active SVP group. This has been identified as a priority • The parish priest acts as chaplain to the hospital.

59b. The parish of Christ-the-King, Carlisle.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management group. • Develop lay liturgical ministries. • The parish plans to identify more with the suffering members of the Body of Christ, through the Liturgy. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to further develop its mission with families through its 'very good' relationship with St. Margaret Mary's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Newman High School. • Establish a parish faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick, and housebound beyond home visiting. • The parish plans to develop its mission to the most deprived.

60a. The parish of St. Bede, Carlisle.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation possibly drawing on the diocese's Courses for Parish Catechists. The parish would also benefit from the involvement of couples in marriage preparation. Both have been identified as priorities by the parish • Develop baptism, marriage and first holy communion programmes. • Develop regular ongoing formation for members of the parish who are not part of the Neo Catechumenate. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • There is a high level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, social, and administrative life of the parish. • There is a Stewardship Group, Finance committee, Liturgy committee, Property management team, social committee, and Hall-Buildings committee. The parish is undertaking an ongoing stewardship programme. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its 'very good working relationship' with St Bede's primary school and Newman High School. • Develop parish links and collaboration with Newman High School. • The parish has a very active mission with youth through its weekly Youth Club, youth drop-in after Sunday Mass, and active Cub Pack • Establish a parish faith focused youth group. • Establish a bereavement group. • The parish makes provision for its mission with migrants through the Neo-Cat community, comprising English, Italian, Polish, and Slovak families. • The parish makes provision for its mission with the world through the APF, and a monthly CAFOD soup lunch.

60b. The parish of St. Edmund, Carlisle, including Morton Chapel and the chapel of St. Michael, Burgh-by-Sands

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a finance committee, liturgy committee, and a property management team. • The parish plans to foster lay leadership. • Identify and train readers and extraordinary ministers of holy communion. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • Ongoing formation is provided through a monthly day of renewal, involving charismatic worship and praise. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its good relationship with St Bede's primary school. • The parish also plans to develop its good links and collaboration with Newman High School. • Establish a parish faith based youth group. • Develop its mission with older people, the sick and housebound. • The parish provides for its mission with the poor through its small but active SVP conference. The parish would benefit from developing this group. • The parish has identified New Evangelisation as a priority, through supporting the 'Landings' programme run in the town centre. • Sharing Burgh parish church with the local Anglican community facilitates the parish's involvement in ecumenical relations.

61. The parish of St. Cuthbert, Wigton.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • Marriage preparation involves the parish priest and encouragement to attend the Carlisle Marriage Care course. The parish would benefit from the involvement of experienced couples. • Ongoing formation is provided through a weekly prayer group and scripture group, and days of renewal for particular ministries. It is also provided by the <i>Cor et Lumen Christi</i> community's Family Days for God. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • The parish plans to further develop its liturgy. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to develop its mission with families through its relationship with and <i>Cor et Lumen Christi</i>. • In view of the fact that 40% of the congregation are young families, the parish would benefit from developing its mission with youth, participation in deanery youth activities • The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through <i>SVP</i> organised regular social events. The hard of hearing are taken to the monthly Mass for the Deaf in Carlisle • The parish would benefit from developing the mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits, including special liturgical services • The parish is actively involved in Churches together in Wigton • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Cuthbert's primary school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits.

62. The parish of Our Lady of the Assumption, Silloth.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee and property management team. • Develop social activities. • The parish plans to identify and train extraordinary ministers of holy communion. • Develop ongoing formation- the parish would benefit from regular, systematic ongoing formation, and a faith sharing group • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parish would benefit from developing its mission with families during the holiday season. • The parish plans to develop its mission with the sick and housebound. The parish makes provision for its mission with older people and the sick and housebound through home visits, transport to social events, and over 60's groups and clubs. The parish has identified developing its mission with the sick and housebound as a priority

63. The parish of Our Lady and St. Patrick, Maryport.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a parish pastoral council. • Identify and train altar servers. • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop ongoing formation at the moment it takes place through a Lenten inter-church group. • The youth use the parish rooms as a gym and also are involved in the liturgy composing and praying the Prayers of Intercession. They help, also, with the collection A faith sharing group would be helpful. • The parish plans to a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • The parish would benefit from a faith sharing group.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Our Lady & St Patrick's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Joseph's High school. • Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visiting. • The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through a Senior Citizens Group, craft class for over 60's, an annual party, and home visits • The parish makes provision for its mission with the poor through a fruit and vegetable co-operative and frequent 'good as new' sales.

64. The parish of St. Joseph, Cockermouth.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and administrative life of the parish. There is a Parish Pastoral Council, which also acts as the Property management team, a Finance committee, and a Children's liturgy group. There is excellent music of various kinds (folk, traditional with a good choir but there is still need for a Liturgy Committee.• Establish a liturgy committee.• The parish has a team of very committed catechist who run 15 First Confession and First Holy Communion sessions, and attend diocesan courses.• Develop range of social activities.• Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• Children's liturgy is attended by 20-30 children.• Develop ongoing formation• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group.• The parish plans to develop Christian responsibility and authentic liturgy.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Joseph's primary school.• Develop parish links and collaboration with St Joseph's High school.• The parish plans to further develop its mission with youth. The parish makes provision for its mission with youth through its fortnightly youth group for 14-16 year olds, and enabling youth to prepare the liturgy every 5 weeks. The parish has identified developing its mission with youth as a priority.• Further develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound. The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through the SVP organising social gatherings at Easter and Christmas, and home visits. The parish has identified developing its mission with older people as a priority.• The parish is involved in ecumenical activities.

65a. The parish of St. Gregory, Workington.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a property management team. • There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and administrative life of the parish. There is a Parish Pastoral Council, and Finance committee. Develop its social activities. • Identify and train altar servers. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • The parish plans to develop baptism and first holy communion as a means of strengthening “community”. • Children’s liturgy is attended by up to 15 • Develop ongoing formation. The parish makes provision for ongoing formation through monthly scripture study, justice talks twice a year, and a twice yearly prayer group in parishioners homes. The parish would benefit from a programme of regular, systematic ongoing formation. • The parish has an RCIA group • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Gregory’s primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Joseph’s High school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Develop its mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. to include special liturgical services. • The parish has a bereavement group • Establish an SVP and/or Legion of Mary group. • The parish plans to ‘live simply’. • The parish makes provision for its mission with the world through its Justice and Peace group, CAFOD group, and support of a school in Zambia. • The parish is involved in ecumenical activities

65b. The parish of St. Mary, Harrington.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish a formal ministry of welcoming.• There is a reasonable level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, social, and administrative life of the parish. There is a recently formed Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, and Property Management Team.• Develop its range of social activities.• Develop liturgical ministries.• Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• Develop ongoing formation.• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's primary school.• Develop parish links and collaboration with St Joseph's High school.• Establish a faith focused youth group.• Develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visiting The parish would benefit from developing this mission beyond home visits, to include special liturgical services.• Establish an SVP group and/ or Legion of Mary group.• The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through home visits, social outings, and transport to Mass.• The parish is involved in ecumenical activities.

66. The parish of Our Lady and St. Michael, Workington.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and social life of the parish. The parish would benefit from greater lay involvement in the administrative life of the parish. There is a Pastoral Parish Council, Liturgy Committee, and Fundraising Committee. The parish would benefit from a Finance Committee. This has been identified as a priority by the parish. • The parish would benefit from developing its ministry of welcoming. There are numerous social activities, including ceilidhs, dancing classes, concerts, car treasure hunts. There is a monthly parish pastoral and social. • Identify and train readers and altar servers. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism. . 4 experienced couples are involved in marriage preparation • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • Children's liturgy is attended by up to 10 • There is regular, systematic ongoing formation through monthly talks and use of the CAFE programme during Lent and Advent.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Patrick's Primary School. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Joseph's High school. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • Developing the mission with older people and the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • Establish a bereavement group.

67a. The parish of St. Benedict, Whitehaven.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a liturgy committee. • There is a good level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, and administrative life of the parish. There is a Parish Pastoral Council, Finance committee, and Property management team. • The parish plans to deepen leadership and develop authentic leadership. • Develop range of social activities. • The parish plans to foster authentic liturgy. • Children's liturgy is provided, attended by up to 25 • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with Ss Gregory & Patrick's Infant school and St Begh's Junior School. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Benedict's secondary school. • The parish plans to develop its mission with youth. Establish a faith focused youth group. The parish has identified its mission with youth as a priority. • Develop its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. • The parish has a strong commitment to its mission with the world, raising £20,000 for a hospital project in Tanzania, and £10,000 for an orphanage in the Philippines. £10,000 was sent to the Caritas Group who work with lepers in China. At Diocesan level £4,000 was raised for the Diocesan Cenacolo Project • Develop its mission with the poor. • The parish has strong ecumenical links with the Anglican parish of St. Andrews

67b. The parish of St. Mary, Kells.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish a finance committee and liturgy committee.• The parish plans to develop lay leadership.• Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism and marriage preparation.• Establish children's liturgy.• Develop ongoing formation.• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Mary's primary school.• Develop parish links and collaboration with St Benedict's High school.• Establish a faith focused youth group.• Develop its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound beyond home visits.• The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through clubs and social events• Develop its mission with the poor.

68. The parish of St. Begh, Whitehaven including the chapel of Ss. Gregory and Patrick.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for marriage preparation. • There is a high level of lay involvement in liturgical ministries, including 30 extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Lay catechists are involved in preparations for all sacraments of initiation. Marriage preparation includes 2 meetings with parish priest and a whole day course run by Marriage Care of Carlisle • The parish plans to develop its parish liturgy and to foster leadership with regard to the liturgy. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations. • Children's liturgy is provided through two age groups, attended by up to 50 children. • The parish has a strong, long term commitment to ongoing formation, including Scripture prayer group, Mission preparation/prayer group, and Advent & Lent talks. There is an RCIA/ Scripture group.
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to further develop its mission with families and youth. • The parish is developing its mission with families through its strong relationships with three schools – St Begh's Junior school, Ss Gregory & Patrick's Infant school, & St Benedict's High school • Develop its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound beyond home visits. The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through 3 weekly bingo/pensioner groups. Schools have regular events for older people, including Christmas meals and a lunchtime weekly meal at the Infant School. The parish would also benefit from developing its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound beyond home visits, to include special liturgical services. • The parish makes provision for its mission with youth through its Monday night prayer group, Youth Music Group, and Altar Servers • The parish makes provision for its mission with the sick and housebound through a team of 15 Extraordinary ministers taking communion to 100 housebound parishioners, and also leading services in nursing homes. The parish SVP group also undertakes home visits. • The parish plans to develop evangelisation. The parish is developing New Evangelisation through developing an accurate parish census and using this data base to publicise the parish mission in May aimed at the whole parish community. The mission will include an outdoor service on Whitehaven harbour front. The parish engages with the local media. • The parish makes provision for its mission with the poor through the SVP.

69a. The parish of St. Mary's, Cleator, including the chapel of St. Bega, Cleator Moor.

<p>Sacramental Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand the membership of the finance and liturgy committees. • St Mary: There is a reasonable level of lay leadership and participation in the liturgical, catechetical, pastoral, social, and administrative life of the parish. There is a Parish Pastoral Council, Finance committee, Liturgy committee, Property management team. • St Bega's chapel: The Parish Evaluation Form indicates that this community has a high level of lay leadership and participation, reflected in the its committee's almost independent administration of the building, and fund-raising through social events. • Identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism preparation. • The parish is preparing new pastoral plans for all the sacraments. • There is a good level of lay involvement in liturgical ministries, including 24 altar servers. The parish also has a good number of lay catechists involved in preparations for some of the sacraments of initiation. In view of the very high number of baptisms, the parish would benefit from the involvement of lay catechists in baptism preparation. Marriage preparation includes a day led by 2 married catechists and a priest, and individual meetings with the clergy. • Children's liturgy is provided, with up to 25 attending. • The parish shows a serious, long term commitment to ongoing formation, through involvement in deanery adult courses based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church in autumn and Lent, presentations of the <i>Cafe</i> programme, Liturgical and Musical formation, retreats to Lourdes and other pilgrimages. • The parish has an RCIA group, which would benefit from lay involvement
<p>Mission Priority</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Patrick's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Benedict's High school. • Further develop its mission with the sick and housebound beyond home visits • . The parish makes provision for its mission with youth through a youth group, a youth pilgrimage across the Lake District, youth days on Pentecost Sunday and Christ the King. The parish has also sponsored a variety of youth initiatives. • The parish makes provision for its mission with older people through social and spiritual events, and home visits • The parish also makes provision for its mission with the sick and housebound through home visits by the clergy, extraordinary ministers, and SVP. The parish also enables the sick to participate in the annual pilgrimage at Cleator. • The parish has a bereavement group to meet the needs associated with the very high number of funerals. • The parish shows a creative commitment to evangelisation through distributing thousands of leaflets and posters advertising a course of the Creed, and articles and adverts in the local paper. • The parish makes provision for its mission with the poor through its <i>Caritas</i>, SVP group, and Catholic Men's Society.

69b. The parish of St. Joseph, Frizington.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The parish plans to foster lay leadership.• Develop the range of social activities.• Develop greater lay involvement in liturgical ministries. The parish would benefit from establishing a team of parish catechists to collaborate with the school in preparations for the sacraments of initiation, possibly drawing on the Diocese's Course for Parish Catechists. Marriage preparation is shared with a neighbouring parish• Identify and train lay catechists to collaborate with the school in preparing the sacraments of initiation.• Children's liturgy is provided, with up to 25 attending.• The parish participates in the deanery programme of ongoing formation.• Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group.• Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Joseph's primary school.• Develop parish links and collaboration with St Benedict's High school.• Establish a faith focused youth group.• Further develop its mission with the poor.• The parish plans to develop evangelisation.• The parish would also benefit from developing its mission with older people and with the sick and housebound beyond home visits, to include social activities and special liturgical services.• The parish makes provision for its mission with the poor, through the weekly use of the parish hall by the Credit Union. In view of the fact that Frizington is one of only two deprived rural wards in Cumbria, the parish would benefit from further developing its mission with the poor.

70. The parish of St. Mary, Egremont.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to identify and train lay catechists, particularly for baptism. • The parish plans to foster more lay leadership and collaborative ministry. • Develop and increase the range of social activities. • Identify and train more altar servers. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop its mission with families through its relationship with St Bridget's primary school. • Develop parish links and collaboration with St Benedict's secondary school. • The parish shows a serious, long term commitment to ongoing formation, through a twice yearly course, monthly days of renewal, participation in deanery courses, and plans to hold a Life in the Spirit seminar. • The parish are strong participants in <i>Churches Together</i> in Egremont and this should develop. • Establish a faith focused youth group. • The parish plans to develop active evangelisation.

71. Parish of St. Joseph, Seascale.

Sacramental Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish plans to identify and train even more lay catechists, particularly for baptism. • Establish a regular children's liturgy on Sunday. • Develop ongoing formation. • Establish a faith sharing/RCIA group. • Develop the ministry for fostering vocations.
Mission Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without its own primary school, the parish plans to consider other ways of developing its mission with local families. • Development of the parish's prayer life. • Without its own primary school, the parish needs to consider other ways of developing its mission with local families and young people. With 55% of the congregation under 60, there is potential to develop this mission. The parish has identified this as a priority.

Part 2 Section 1: General Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group Relating to Responses to the *Initial Draft Proposals*

The approach adopted in developing both the *Initial Draft Proposals* and the *Revised Draft Proposals* has purposely been both pastoral and strategic. The intention has been to provide proposals for the pastoral needs of the diocese both now and in the future. This has required strategic planning and an impartial assessment of our current and likely future needs and resources.

How the Revised Draft Proposals were produced

1. A pro-active and strategic approach has been taken in order to identify parishes which may be pastorally unsustainable, or could become so in the future, should Mass attendance continue to fall, and to recommend mergers with adjoining parishes to provide that pastoral support in the form of new and enlarged parishes. Reacting to the needs of parishes only as and when they become unsustainable does not allow for the attention, care and transition which are required in such decisions.
2. The proposals for the merging of parishes within the *Initial* and *Revised Draft Proposals* are based primarily on the Mass attendance in the parishes and the advantages to be gained by coming together as one parish. The proposals about the linking of parishes are based on the geography of the diocese and the likely number of priests available in the years ahead. Merging earlier than suggested may be advantageous, but linking should not be necessary until there is only one parish priest available to serve two retained parishes.
3. Churches proposed for retention for Sunday and vigil Masses are those considered to be the most appropriate for future pastoral and liturgical needs. The need to preserve churches which are considered to be of historical or architectural significance is not considered in these proposals.
4. The particular strengths of parishes have been identified to indicate which parishes, new or existing, may need support in the future. Parishes have also been identified that have resources which could be shared with other parishes experiencing a shortage of volunteers for lay ministries and other positions essential for the wellbeing of parish life.
5. Experience seems to show that new housing developments, however large, rarely make a significant difference to Mass attendance in an area. However, checks are being undertaken with the planning authorities to ascertain any planned major developments and comments will be found in the *Revised Draft Proposals* where appropriate. Information is still awaited from the local government planning departments responsible for Preston, Barrow-in-Furness and Carlisle.

6. A number of Catholic migrant workers have been identified in some parishes. Comments have been made in the *Revised Draft Proposals* where these might possibly affect the proposals for those parishes.
7. Suggestions that existing arrangements for the linking of parishes should be retained have been accepted in the *Revised Draft Proposals* wherever possible.
8. The form of the *Initial Draft Proposals* has been changed in the *Revised Draft Proposals* to allow local decisions to be taken, in agreement with the Bishop, about the exact timing of a merger or a link and the dates when a church would cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Masses.
9. It is now proposed that those structural changes that are not expected to be implemented before the latter part of the next decade will be reconsidered at a later time. This will make it possible to make final decisions on the basis of more up-to-date information, in particular about the extent to which people have been attracted back to the regular practice of the faith and committed discipleship.

The Structure of the Diocese

1. The structure of the diocese with priests appointed as parish priests for specific parishes would be retained, although parishes and the territory served by each priest would be enlarged. The number of parishes would be reduced to 71 by the year 2020, served by 53 parish priests. With 81 churches or chapels retained for Sunday Masses and the possibility of 53 of these also providing a Saturday vigil Mass, as proposed in the *Revised Draft Proposals*, full opportunities would be available for parishes in different, but adjoining, localities to work together, coordinating Mass times and undertaking joint activities.
2. Of the 53 parish priests, 28 would be required to celebrate Sunday/vigil Mass in two churches or chapels and many of these priests would be responsible for three and sometimes four churches, each with substantial other properties.
3. The division of the Diocese into 'Pastoral Areas' as in the Archdiocese of Liverpool and the Diocese of Portsmouth, with priests working in teams, is not thought to be appropriate for this diocese and would not increase the number of churches able to provide a Sunday/ vigil Mass.
4. A new proposal has been made for the present 12 deaneries to be reduced to 6 rather than 5 as proposed in the *Initial Draft Proposals*. This will take effect some time early in the next decade in readiness for the reduced number of priests serving in the diocese from about the year 2015.

1. The *Fit for Mission* Review has encouraged lay people to be actively involved in the missionary and sacramental aspects of parish life. This does not at all detract from the role of the ordained. Every parish must have a parish priest or priest-in-charge with sufficient time and energy to be engaged in all aspects of the needs of the parish. Parishes which are fortunate in having numerous lay people involved in parish leadership and activities need to ensure that the services, gifts and energy of such people are used in collaboration with each other and with the priest (especially if he is non-resident), so that the Church community is built up.
2. Wherever an extra priest is appointed to one area, the loss of a priest from another area in compensation would be necessary. The *Revised Draft Proposals* for the whole diocese are being published together so that the allocation of the number of priests can be seen.
3. An over-reliance on priests from outside of the diocese and from other countries is not regarded by the Mission Review Team and its Core Group as sustainable or desirable in the long term.
4. Designated priest chaplains remain an important part of the diocese, alongside lay chaplains, providing for the pastoral needs of students in schools, colleges and universities, sick people in hospitals and people in penal institutions. Other priests will continue to be needed to serve in extra-parochial positions in the Diocese. It is recommended that every High school should have a designated priest chaplain. Many of these priests will, as is generally the case now, also be assistant priests in parishes, and can at times be available for wider supply work. Along with retired priests, they provide a valuable safety net to celebrate Masses when parish priests are otherwise unavailable. Opportunities for ongoing training and the possibility of priests continuing to have sabbatical leave will need to be retained.
5. Local responsibilities of the priest appointed by the Bishop as Dean (Vicar Forane) are defined by the diocese and in Canon Law, but other locally inspired inter-parish initiatives under deanery pastoral councils and overseen by the Dean are now seen as a vital resource in organising and coordinating joint services and pastoral works in mission. The proposed Catholic Centres in each deanery (see below) might be the way to facilitate these activities, and be the base for information about times for Sunday/vigil Masses in the area, also weekday Masses and other devotions and ecumenical and inter-faith contacts and forums.
6. The role of deacons is an increasingly significant part of the diocesan life and their future role in parishes in the local areas will need to be considered more thoroughly in the light of *Fit for Mission – Diaconate* when this exercise is concluded.

7. Communication and collaboration between parishes and between deaneries is accepted as an important part of the future of the Church in the diocese. Stewardship and responsibility in the management of parishes is always to be recommended, but especially where the parish priest is non-resident. Training in leadership and the promotion of 'good practice', especially in the efforts to bring inactive Catholics back to the practice of the Faith, has also been recommended. Advice on all of these suggestions from around the diocese will be included in the Handbook/Manual which is now under preparation in readiness for the time when the proposals may be accepted for implementation across the diocese.

Provision of Masses

1. No priest should have to serve more than two parishes or to celebrate Sunday or vigil Masses in more than two churches, other than in exceptional pastoral situations. A priest doing so would have to say the Saturday vigil and two Sunday Masses in three different locations. In any case, many parishioners choose to travel to another local church rather than go to their own church at a less inconvenient time.
2. Because of changing patterns of work and family life and increased mobility, for many people, it is more important nowadays to have a choice of Mass times than to have Mass in a church that is nearby. Already, many Catholics choose to travel to another local church rather than go to their own church at a less inconvenient time. For this reason, the preferred model, especially for a larger parish, has been a resident parish priest with a single church and a minimum of two Sunday/vigil masses. Where this has not been possible, the retention of two churches in one parish has been proposed, with a Sunday and vigil Mass in one and a Sunday Mass in the other.
3. Provided that an alternative Sunday/vigil Mass is available somewhere in the locality and the capacity of the church is adequate, a single gathering of the whole of a parish community at one Mass should be considered as desirable.
4. A parish providing a Saturday evening vigil Mass and not having a Mass on a Sunday is pastorally undesirable, except in geographically isolated locations.
5. Weekday Masses would need to be decided upon within parishes and deaneries, possibly retaining some of these in places where a Sunday/vigil Mass is no longer celebrated. The devotional needs of people who attend weekday Mass would also need to be considered, recognising that Services of the Word and Holy Communion, at a time when Mass is being celebrated at a church within easy reach, are not regarded as pastorally appropriate.

The Use of Parish Property

1. In areas of social deprivation where a Sunday/vigil Mass is no longer possible, consideration has been given to maintaining a pastoral presence, perhaps by adapting the use of existing parish property. Recommendations have been made in the *Revised Draft Proposals*.
2. The future disposal or preservation of churches and other property that may become surplus to needs are not within the remit of the Mission Review Team and its Core Group. Ceasing to have a Sunday/vigil Mass does not necessarily mean that a church or chapel will close. Many may be preserved and used for weekday Masses and devotions and for social and community activities.
3. Proposals for alternative use of churches and chapels, which would no longer be used for Sunday/vigil Mass, may be made by parishes, but decisions on such proposals and on matters relating to historic debts in parishes proposed for merger will in all instances be taken by the Bishop and the Diocesan Trustees. Proposals for the retention of property for joint use with other Christian Communities may at times help to sustain, develop or establish regular ecumenical collaboration and activity, but once again, this would be a matter for the Bishop and the Trustees.

Catholic Centres and Gem Churches

1. By popular request, the term 'lighthouse church' has been changed to 'Catholic Centre'. These are intended to be centres for Catholic action, activities and information. New proposals for these Catholic Centres are given in the appropriate local area in the *Revised Draft Proposals* and are listed together in 'Proposals for new Deaneries and Catholic Centres'. Seven Catholic Centres are now proposed, one in each new deanery, except for South Cumbria which would need a Centre in both Kendal and Barrow-in-Furness.
2. 'Gem churches' are churches located in the centres of towns or cities that provide weekday liturgical services and devotional sustenance for workpeople, shoppers and visitors. They generally already exist and are not named in the *Revised Draft Proposals*.

Part 2 Section 2: The Proposals for the Parishes

In 'The 'Proposals for the Parishes' it will be seen that the Mission Review Team and its Core Group are proposing 71 existing or newly merged parishes by the year 2020 with 81 churches or chapels retained for weekend Masses. These 71 parishes would be served by 53 parish priests, including the possibility of 3 parishes continuing to be served by the Religious Congregations. 36 parishes would be linked and each pair served by one parish priest. Of the 35 others, 10 would provide a weekend Mass in two churches or chapels. Each of the 53 parish priests working in the diocese in the year 2020 would be responsible for either:-

- 1) One parish with one church retained for Sunday/vigil Masses; **or**
- 2) One parish with two churches retained for Sunday/vigil Masses; **or**
- 3) Two parishes, each with its own church retained for Sunday/vigil Masses.

'The Proposals for the Parishes' have been developed to take account of the pace of change required by the year-on-year reduction in the number of diocesan parish priests under retirement age. A study of the age profile of these priests shows that there are already 6 serving parish priests over the retirement age of 75 years, a further 26 will reach the age of 75 years by the year 2015 and a further 12 will reach that retirement age by the year 2020.

The indication is that there are likely to be 88 parish priests serving the parishes in 2010, 65 parish priests in 2015 and 53 parish priests in 2020. These numbers assume a maximum of 4 parish priests continuing to be available from the Religious Congregations up to the year 2010 then reducing to a maximum of 3. The most dramatic fall in the number of parish priests under retirement age occurs between 2010 and 2015 when one in four of these priests reach retirement age. Proposals to enable the diocese to deal with this inevitable reduction in the number of parish priests are an important part of the *Fit for Mission* Review. The table in Section 3 shows number of parish priests allocated to each of the proposed new deanery areas in the years 2010, 2015 and 2020. The numbers given mean that by the year 2020 there would be a ratio of parish priests to Mass attendance of 1 to about 450 in the Fylde and Preston areas and 1 to about 250 in North Lancashire and Cumbria. This reflects the higher concentration of people regularly attending Mass in the larger conurbations in the South of the diocese.

In addition to the number of parish priests, there has been estimated to be a minimum of 8 other priests helping in the parishes, including the recently ordained and those also serving as chaplains to hospitals, universities, prisons, etc. or in extra-parochial posts in the diocese. The services of priests, deacons and lay ministers need to be equitably shared to ensure that the Church retains a pastoral presence in all parts of the diocese, particularly those areas suffering from severe deprivation or in geographically isolated locations.

Estimates of the number of priests available to serve the diocese in the years to 2020 are based on the assumption that priests will generally be able to continue to serve the diocese until the retirement age of 75. Any under-estimate of the number of parish priests would allow a small number of parishes to defer a proposed linking to beyond the year 2020. Conversely, if the numbers prove to have been over-estimated, a few of the smaller parishes within towns and cities may need to also cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass and/or some of the outlying parishes with churches some distance apart may need to be linked.

‘The Proposals for the Parishes’ include some changes which should not be necessary before 2015. These are set out in the proposals under a heading of ‘*LATER*’ and could be subject to a limited further review in 2013, with the possibility of modifications being introduced before 2015, to take account of up-to-date and available information from the parishes and more accurate estimates of the number of available priests. In particular, the linking of two strong parishes, each with a Mass attendance requiring two Sunday/vigil Masses, would be linked only when circumstances make this necessary.

Only very general indications are now given in the revised proposals for the **times** when parishes might be expected to link or merge, or for a church or chapel to cease to have a Sunday or vigil Mass. Much will depend on the progress made with implementing and developing the mission and sacramental priorities which have been identified for action by the parishes themselves.

Some suggestions have already been made for changes to be implemented as soon as is practical, without waiting for the time when only one parish priest is available to serve a locality. The priests and people in a locality would need to make proposals for the times when linking and/or merging would take place or when churches or chapels would cease to have a Sunday or vigil Mass (some guidance on linking and merging is given in Section 4 of this document).

Such proposals would need to be agreed with the Bishop after he has decided that the Diocesan-wide proposals, as part of the *Draft Pastoral Plan*, are suitable for implementation with or without further adjustments.

The proposals for structural changes, if accepted and implemented, would mean that fewer than 200 people would need to travel more than an additional 5 miles to get to Mass and no more than 1,000 people out of a present Diocesan-wide Mass attendance of about 24,000 would need to travel more than 2 miles further to attend Mass. The Diocese would be simply gravitating back to the major centres of population before the new church building programme of the 1970s and 1980s. **Even in 2020 our people will be generously provided for.**

Parish no. 1	<i>The Cathedral parish of St Peter and the chapel of St Thomas More, Lancaster.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 507	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 84

A proposal that:

- Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the *Cathedral church of St Peter, Lancaster*.
- The chapel of *St Thomas More, Lancaster*, would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass early in the next decade. The overall site would remain in use as a vital pastoral centre for the Cathedral parish.
- The *Cathedral church of St Peter* would be the Catholic Centre for the new North Lancashire deanery. It could be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the Deanery Pastoral Council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting cross-parish cooperation.

Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):

- This is a new proposal made as a result of the consultation process.
- There was very little support for the proposal that the Cathedral parish should later also serve the parish of *St Joseph, Skerton*. A similar reaction came from the parish of *St Joseph, Skerton*, and for this reason it is now suggested that that parish should have a resident parish priest for the foreseeable future. A further review may be needed at a later date taking account of up-to-date information, such as the numbers attending Mass in light of the implementation of mission priorities.
- It is expected that a parish priest (Cathedral Administrator/Dean) and an assistant priest would be resident at Cathedral House on a permanent basis.
- Parishioners are encouraged to make further suggestions for the use of the St Thomas More Centre.
- A possible residential development fronting the River Lune in the vicinity of the church of *St Thomas More* might possibly affect the Mass attendance.

Parish no. 2	<i>The parish of St Joseph, Skerton, and the chapel of St Robert Bellarmine, Halton.</i>	
Existing parish.	2006 Mass attendance : 195	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 74
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Joseph, Skerton</i>. • The chapel of <i>St Robert, Halton</i>, would be expected to cease to have its Sunday Mass at an early date. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a new proposal made as a result of the initial consultation process. • There was little support for the proposal that the parish of <i>St Joseph, Skerton</i>, should later be served from the <i>Cathedral</i> parish. A similar reaction came from the <i>Cathedral</i> parish and for this reason it is now suggested that that parish should have a resident parish priest for the foreseeable future. A further review may be needed at a later date taking account of up-to-date information from the parish. • Sunday/vigil Mass may continue for a period at the chapel of <i>St Robert, Halton</i>, subject to the agreement of the then parish priest. When this is no longer possible, the suggestion is noted that the people living in the villages around Halton may choose to join in the celebration of Mass and to give their support to the parish of <i>St Mary, Hornby</i>. Parish boundaries could be adjusted to accommodate this. 		

Parish no. 3	<i>The parish of St Bernadette, Lancaster.</i>	
Parish linked with parish no. 4	2006 Mass attendance : 209	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 26
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Bernadette, Lancaster</i> and <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i> would continue with their present linking. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestions for the merger of the parish of <i>St Joseph, Galgate</i>, with <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i>, rather than <i>St Bernadette, Lancaster</i>, have been included in the revised draft proposals. 		

Parish no. 4	To include the parishes of Ss Thomas and Elizabeth, Thurnham, and St Joseph, Galgate.	
New Parish linked with parish no. 3	2006 Mass attendance : 88	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 7
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i>, and <i>St Bernadette, Lancaster</i>, would continue with their present linking. The parish of <i>St Joseph, Galgate</i>, would merge with <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i>, to form a new parish at an early date. A Sunday Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i>, but the church of <i>St Joseph, Galgate</i>, would be expected to cease to have its vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggestions for the merger of the parish of <i>St Joseph, Galgate</i>, with <i>St Thomas, Thurnham</i>, rather than <i>St Bernadette, Lancaster</i>, have been included in the revised draft proposals. Sunday/vigil Mass may be continued at the University and would be available to people living in the Galgate area. 		

Parish no. 5	To include the two parishes of <i>St Mary, Morecambe</i> and <i>Good Shepherd, Torrisholme</i> .	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 477	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 77
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A merger of <i>St Mary, Morecambe</i>, and <i>Good Shepherd, Torrisholme</i>, already linked, would take place at an early date. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Mary, Morecambe</i>. • The <i>Good Shepherd</i> church would later be expected to cease to have its Sunday Masses if the Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With a combined 2006 Mass attendance of 447 and a sacramental index of 77, the arrangement of one parish with one church served by one resident parish priest would be desirable. However, given the small capacity of both churches, the church of the <i>Good Shepherd</i> could continue to have a Sunday/vigil Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. 		

Parish no. 6	To include the two parishes of <i>St Patrick, Morecambe</i> , and <i>Holy Family, Morecambe</i> .	
New parish from an early date.	2006 Mass attendance : 484	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 63
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A merger of <i>St Patrick, Morecambe</i>, and <i>Holy Family Morecambe</i>, would take place at an early date. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Patrick, Morecambe</i>. • <i>Holy Family</i> church would be expected to cease to have any Sunday/vigil Mass, if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of Catholic migrant workers have been identified in this proposed new parish, which might affect the total Mass attendance. • The effect of a proposal to build a 7000-seater football stadium on land immediately to the west of the church of the Holy Family may need to be considered. • With a combined Mass attendance of 484 at present and a sacramental index of 63, the arrangement of one parish with one church served by one resident parish priest would be desirable. However, given the small capacity of both churches the church of the <i>Holy Family</i> could continue to have a Sunday/vigil Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. 		

Parish no. 7	To include the two parishes of <i>St William, Pilling, and St Bernard, Knott End and the chapel of St Francis, Hambleton.</i>	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 165	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 12
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St William. Pilling, and St Bernard, Knott End</i>, already linked, would merge soon into a new parish. • Sunday Masses would be continued at the churches of both <i>St William</i> and <i>St Bernard</i>. • The chapel at <i>St Francis, Hambleton</i>, would cease to have its Sunday Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall or, at the latest, when the priest from <i>St Mary, Great Eccleston</i>, is no longer available to serve that chapel. The community is already within the boundary of the new parish. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With a 2006 Mass attendance of only 165 and a very low sacramental index, the retention of two churches may need to be reconsidered at some time in the future. 		

Parish no. 8	To include the two parishes of <i>Ss Mary and James, Scorton</i> , and <i>Ss Mary and Michael, Garstang</i> , and the chapel at <i>Calder Vale</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 481	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 55
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapel at <i>Calder Vale</i> would be expected to cease to have its Sunday Mass soon. <i>Ss Mary and James, Scorton</i>, would link with <i>Ss Mary and Michael, Garstang</i>, early in the next decade and then merge into a new parish. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>Ss Mary and Michael, Garstang</i>. The church at <i>Ss Mary and James, Scorton</i>, would be expected to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made as a result of the initial consultation process, leaving the decision about the future linking of the new parish of <i>Ss Mary and Michael, Garstang /Ss Mary and James, Scorton</i> with the parish of <i>St Thomas the Apostle, Cloughton-on-Brock</i>, in abeyance, pending further up-to-date information from that parish when a resident parish priest is no longer possible. The church of <i>Ss Mary and James, Scorton</i>, could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable, or until the new parish is linked if necessary with another parish. Suggestions for the creation of a pastoral area similar to those in the Portsmouth Diocese have been noted, but are thought not to be appropriate for this diocese. 		

Parish no. 9	To include the three parishes of <i>Our Lady, Carnforth, St Mary, Bolton-le-Sands</i> and <i>St Mary, Yealand Conyers</i> .	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 344	2004/5/6 average Sacramental index : 37
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parishes of <i>Our Lady, Carnforth and St Mary, Bolton-le-Sands</i>, recently linked, and <i>St Mary, Yealand Conyers</i>, would merge into a new parish at an early date. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at both churches (<i>Our Lady, Carnforth/St Mary, Bolton-le-Sands</i>). The church of <i>St Mary, Yealand Conyers</i> would be expected to cease to have its Sunday Mass when a priest is no longer available. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With a 2006 Mass attendance of only 344 and a very low Sacramental index, the future retention of two churches may need to be reconsidered. The church of <i>St Mary, Yealand Conyers</i> is Grade 2 listed and its future would need to be addressed by the Bishop and the Trustees. 		

Parish no. 10	The parish of <i>St Mary, Hornby</i> , and the chapel of <i>Our Lady, Caton</i> .	
Parish presently linked with parish no. 11	2006 Mass attendance : 99	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 12
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Mary, Hornby</i>, and <i>St Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale</i>, would retain their present link. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at <i>St Mary, Hornby</i>. The chapel at <i>Our Lady, Caton</i> may cease to be used for its Saturday vigil Mass later in the next decade, if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When a Sunday/vigil Mass is no longer possible at <i>St Robert, Halton</i>, the people from that area of the diocese may prefer to be part of this parish. Parish boundaries could be adjusted to accommodate this. 		

Parish no. 11	<i>The parish of St Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale.</i>	
Parish presently linked with parish no. 10	2006 Mass attendance : 64	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 3
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Mary, Hornby, and St Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale</i>, would retain their present link. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific comments apply to this proposal. 		

Parish no. 12	<i>The parish of the Sacred Heart, Blackpool.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 13	2006 Mass attendance : 661	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 52
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no changes before 2015. • <i>LATER: Sacred Heart, Blackpool, and St Kentigern, Blackpool</i>, may be linked. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The church is considered to be a gem church and provides a vital role for many Catholics in the area. • A resident parish priest should be available to serve each of the two parishes until well in the next decade. In addition, a priest serving the deanery as chaplain to the Victoria Hospital (and as an assistant priest) should be in residence within the parish and be able to provide support particularly when the two parishes eventually need to share priestly services. 		

Parish no. 13	The parish of St Kentigern, Blackpool.	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 12	2006 Mass attendance : 290	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 52
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no changes before 2015. • <i>LATER: Sacred Heart, Blackpool, and St Kentigern, Blackpool</i>, may be linked. • <i>St Kentigern, Blackpool</i>, would become the Catholic Centre for the new Fylde deanery. It would be the recognised location for offices and meeting rooms for the Deanery Pastoral Council, Deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other world-faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation initiatives, maintaining contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A resident parish priest should be available to serve each of the two parishes until well in the next decade. In addition, a priest serving the deanery as chaplain to the Victoria Hospital (and as an assistant priest) should be in residence within the parish and be able to provide support particularly when the two parishes eventually need to share priestly services. 		

Parish no. 14	<i>To include the two Blackpool parishes of St Bernadette and the Holy Family.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 678	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 89
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Bernadette</i> and <i>Holy Family, Blackpool</i>, would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. Sunday/vigil Mass would eventually be continued at only one of the two churches and the other church would then be expected to cease to be used for any Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from the initial local consultations and the possibility of the <i>Christ the King</i> parish acquiring a new church on the Grange Park Estate in exchange for its present property. Both the church of the <i>Holy Family</i> and the church of <i>St Bernadette</i> could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that two churches are pastorally sustainable. 		

Parish no. 15	<i>The parish of Christ the King, Blackpool.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with an adjacent parish (to be determined)	2006 Mass attendance : 125	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 20
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER:</i> The parish of <i>Christ the King</i> may need to be linked with an adjacent parish. This would need to be determined at a later date when more information is available. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from the independent ongoing parish consultations with the Borough Council involving plans to build a new church on the Grange Park Estate in exchange for the present property. The parish serves an area of poor housing and above average levels of unemployment with a low level of Mass attendance and may need pastoral and financial support from the more affluent areas of the town if the parish is to be sustainable in the longer term. . The appointment of a parish priest to serve the parish at a later date will depend very much on the availability of a priest at the time and his capacity to take on the additional responsibility of ministering to the needs of the people in two separate parishes. 		

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Parish no. 16	<i>The parish of St Cuthbert and the chapel of St Margaret Clitherow, Blackpool.</i>	
Parish linked with parish no. 17 from early in the next decade.	2006 Mass attendance : 407	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 66
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Margaret Clitherow</i> chapel would be expected to cease to be used for its Sunday Mass at an early date. • <i>St Cuthbert, Blackpool</i> and <i>Our Lady of the Assumption, Blackpool</i>, would be linked early in the next decade. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish has some areas of poor housing and above average unemployment. Some pastoral and financial support may be needed from the more affluent areas of the town if the parish is to be sustainable in the longer term. 		

Parish no. 17	<i>The parish of Our Lady of the Assumption, Blackpool.</i>	
Parish linked with parish no. 16 from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 231	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 35
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Cuthbert, Blackpool</i>, and <i>Our Lady of the Assumption, Blackpool</i>, would be linked early in the next decade. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is the possibility of over 1,000 houses being built on land off Queensway, between St Annes-on-Sea and South Blackpool, which might possibly affect Mass attendance at the church of <i>Our Lady of the Assumption</i>. The significance of this is uncertain, as there are a number of other Catholic churches within easy reach. Any development would be more likely to affect the Mass attendance in the new parish of <i>Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Alban</i> at St Annes-on-Sea. 		

Parish no. 18	To include the two Blackpool parishes of St John Vianney and St Monica.	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 464	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 116
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St John Vianney, Blackpool</i>, and <i>St Monica, Blackpool</i>, would merge into a new parish at an early date. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St John Vianney</i>. • The church of <i>St Monica</i> would be expected to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish priest might consider maintaining a Catholic presence in the location of the church of <i>St Monica</i> possibly retaining the church/hall as a valuable community resource and a facility for ongoing pastoral services in this area. Some weekday Masses may then continue to be celebrated there. • There is the possibility of new housing around the M55 hub and on Marton Moss which might affect the Mass attendance in this proposed parish. 		

Parish no. 19	To include the two Poulton parishes of <i>St John the Evangelist and English Martyrs</i> , and the chapel of <i>St Martin, Carleton</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 466	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 61
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St John the Evangelist, Poulton</i>, and <i>English Martyrs, Poulton</i>, would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St John the Evangelist, Poulton</i>. • The chapel of <i>St Martin</i> would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday Mass. However, its widely respected role as an ecumenical centre would be expected to continue, such is the evident energy and commitment of those involved. • <i>English Martyrs</i> church would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It may be necessary eventually to link this parish with the parish of <i>St Mary, Great Eccleston</i>, as other parishes within reasonable travelling distance may be needed in other linkings. 		

Parish no. 20	To include the two parishes of the Sacred Heart, Thornton, and St Nicholas Owen, Thornton.	
New parish from early in the next decade, <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 21	2006 Mass attendance : 261	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 48
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sacred Heart, Thornton, and St Nicholas Owen, Thornton</i>, recently linked, would merge into a new parish at an early date. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of the <i>Sacred Heart</i>. • The church of <i>St Nicholas Owen</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. • <i>LATER</i> The new parish would be linked with the proposed new Cleveleys parish of <i>St Teresa/St John Southworth</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The revised draft proposal acknowledges and affirms the comments from the parishes and the suggestion that the two new parishes in Thornton and Cleveleys should be linked rather than merged. • The present low Mass attendance might possibly benefit from new housing developments in an area identified by the Local Authority as a Strategic Location for Development. • The merged new Thornton parish may need the support of the new Cleveleys parish if Mass attendance continues to fall. If so, it may be necessary to consider again the possibility of a full merger of the two parishes. 		

Parish no. 21	To include the two parishes of <i>St Teresa, Cleveleys</i> , and <i>St John Southworth, Cleveleys</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade, <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 20	2006 Mass attendance : 569	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 95
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Teresa, Cleveleys</i>, and <i>St John Southworth, Cleveleys</i>, would merge into a new parish at an early date. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Teresa</i>. • The church of <i>St John Southworth</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. • <i>LATER</i>: The new parish would be linked with the new Thornton parish of <i>Sacred Heart/St Nicholas Owen</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The revised proposal acknowledges and affirms the comments from the parishes and the suggestion that the two new parishes in Thornton and Cleveleys should be linked rather than merged. • The church of <i>St John Southworth</i> could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains possible or until the new parish is linked to the new parish of <i>Sacred Heart/St Nicholas Owen, Thornton</i>. • The newly merged Thornton parish may need the support of the new Cleveleys parish if Mass attendance continues to fall. If so, it may be necessary to consider again the possibility of a full merger of the two new parishes. 		

Parish no. 22	To include the three Fleetwood parishes of <i>St Wulstan, St Mary and St Edmund</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 567	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 126
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Wulstan, Fleetwood, and St Edmund, Fleetwood</i>, which are already linked, would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. • The church of <i>St Edmund</i> would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday/vigil Mass. • LATER: <i>St Mary, Fleetwood</i>, would need to merge with the new parish. • The church of <i>St Mary</i> may at a later date also cease to have Sunday/vigil Mass, if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a three parish merger where one Sunday/vigil Mass in each of the three present churches would not be regarded as the best pastoral arrangement for the long term. • Possible housing development on the Fleetwood Docks might possibly affect the Mass attendance at St Mary's church. The proposal to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass in that church could be reviewed later when more information is available. • The church of <i>St Mary</i> could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. The parish serves an area of poor housing and consideration may be given locally to the possibility of retaining the church as a facility for ongoing pastoral services in this area. Some weekday Masses may then continue to be celebrated there. As a Grade 2 listed building its future will need to be addressed by the Bishop and the Trustees. 		

Parish no. 23	<i>The parish of St Mary, Great Eccleston.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with elsewhere	2006 Mass attendance : 123	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 13
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no changes before 2015. • <i>LATER: St Mary's, Great Eccleston</i>, would need to be linked with another parish, if a resident parish priest is no longer available. This would need to be considered later when more information is available. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This large area, comprising only one parish, is unlikely to have its own resident priest beyond the middle of the next decade and a link with another parish will be required. • The location of the parish, with its church, just over seven miles from each of the three next nearest churches (Poulton-le-Fylde, Garstang and Kirkham), means that the best link is not immediately obvious and a decision may need to be deferred until more information is available about the situation in the adjacent parishes. Which parish priest is appointed to serve the parish will depend very much on the availability of a priest at that time and his capacity to take on the additional responsibility of ministering to the needs of the people in two separate parishes with two churches a distance of seven miles apart. 		

Parish no. 24	To include the three parishes of <i>St John, Kirkham, St Anne, Westby Mills, and St Joseph, Wesham.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 562	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 86
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St John, Kirkham, and St Anne, Westby Mills,</i> would merge into a new parish at an early date. The church of <i>St Anne</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. The new parish and <i>St Joseph, Wesham,</i> would then merge into a second new parish early in the next decade. LATER: The church of <i>St Joseph</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing developments at Crossing Gate, off Fleetwood Road, Wesham and on the former Wesham Hospital site might possibly affect the Mass attendance at <i>St Joseph</i>. The proposal for <i>St Joseph</i> to cease to have a Sunday Mass could be reviewed later when more information is available. Concerns about the geographical size of the area which would be served by just one parish priest from 2020, when a parish priest is no longer available to serve <i>Holy Family, Freckleton</i> have been accepted. If the proposal is accepted, the parish priest and the people might consider retaining a Catholic presence in Wesham, possibly by providing a small pastoral centre within or adjoining the primary school, if and when the church is no longer used for a Sunday or vigil Mass. The future of the church of <i>St Anne, Westby,</i> being Grade 2 listed would need to be considered by the Bishop and the Trustees. 		

Parish no. 25	<i>The parish of Holy Family, Freckleton.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 26	2006 Mass attendance : 207	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 26
<p>A proposal that:</p> <p>Proposals for the linking or merging of parishes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER: Holy Family Freckleton</i>, would be linked with the parish of <i>St Peter, Lytham</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns about the geographical size of the area which would be served by just one parish priest from 2020, if the parish was to be linked with the newly merged Kirkham parish have been accepted in forming this new proposal. 		

Parish no. 26	<i>The parish of St Peter, Lytham.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 25	2006 Mass attendance : 298	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 48
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER: The parish of St Peter, Lytham</i>, would link with the parish of the <i>Holy Family, Freckleton</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal taking account of the need to find a new link for <i>Holy Family, Freckleton</i>, following concerns emerging from the initial consultation. Housing development at the Lytham Quays is under discussion and if this proceeds it might possibly have some affect on the Mass attendance here. 		

Parish no. 27	<i>The parish of St Joseph, Ansdell.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 355	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 40
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal taking account of the need to link <i>St Peter, Lytham</i>, with the parish of the <i>Holy Family, Freckleton</i>. 		

Parish no. 28	<i>To include the St Annes-on-Sea parishes of Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St Alban.</i>	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 625	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 80
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Our Lady, Star of the Sea, St Annes-on Sea, and St Alban, St Annes-on-Sea</i>, would merge into one new parish at an early date. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>Our Lady, Star of the Sea</i>. The church of <i>St Alban</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is the possibility of over 1,000 houses being built on land off Queensway, between St Annes-on-Sea and South Blackpool, which might possibly affect Mass attendance in the new parish. The significance of this is uncertain as there are a number of other Catholic churches within easy reach. It is suggested that Sunday/vigil Mass continues for some time in both churches following the merger of the two parishes. A further review would be appropriate when more information is available. 		

Parish no. 29	To include the two Preston parishes of <i>St Ignatius</i> and <i>The English Martyrs</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 656	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 96
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Ignatius, Preston</i>, and <i>English Martyrs, Preston</i>, already linked, would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. • LATER: One of the two churches of the new parish would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a new proposal made following information received in the initial consultation process. • The new parish would serve areas suffering a substantial reduction in its native Catholic population and pastoral and financial support may be needed from the more affluent areas of the city if the proposed parish is to be sustainable in the longer term. • The 2006 Mass attendance includes the Polish, Keralan (Malayalam) and Ukrainian congregations. A further number of Catholic migrant workers have been identified in this proposed new parish, which could also affect the total Mass attendance. The possibility of one of the two churches being retained specially for these congregations needs to be considered, but this is not a matter for the Mission Review Team. • <i>English Martyrs</i> and <i>St Ignatius</i> churches are respectively 'Grade 2' and 'Grade 2 (starred)' listed buildings and are both large churches and costly to maintain. This problem would need to be addressed by the Bishop and the Trustees. • <i>English Martyrs, Preston</i>, could become the Catholic Centre for the proposed new Preston Deanery. It would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the Deanery Pastoral Council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. <i>English Martyrs</i> is in a prominent position and could be suitable for the proposed Catholic Centre. It does not however have adequate on-site car parking which could be a major disadvantage and positively discourage organisations from making use of the facilities. The possible relocation of the bus station needs to be considered as it would possibly negate the perceived advantage of <i>St. Ignatius</i> church being easily accessible by bus. 		

Parish no. 30	<i>The parish of St Wilfrid, Preston.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 571	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 29
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes whilst the parish is served by priests from the Society of Jesus. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With a high Mass attendance and low sacramental index (29), it is apparent that the focus of the parish has shifted from its historic service of Catholics living in the immediate locality to serving the mid-week needs of a mobile population of people working, shopping and or simply visiting the city centre. The church is considered by many to be a gem church and provides a vital role for many Catholics in the area. Sunday/vigil Mass attendance is made up of people from all parts of Preston, which may go counter to the overall purpose of Fit for Mission, which is to strengthen the community of the local parish. However, this practice is a longstanding tradition and provides Sunday Masses for people who may otherwise have difficulty in attending Mass in their own parishes. As the number of Masses celebrated continues to be reduced, it will be interesting to learn what effect this may have on Sunday/vigil Mass attendance. This situation may need to be reviewed at a later time. 		

Parish no. 31	To include the three Preston parishes of <i>St Augustine, St Joseph and St Teresa</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 470	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 112
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A merger of <i>St Joseph, Preston, St Teresa, Preston</i> and <i>St Augustine, Preston</i>, to form a new parish to take place early in the next decade when the church of <i>St Teresa</i> would then cease to have a Sunday/ vigil Mass. LATER: Sunday/vigil Mass would cease to be celebrated in St Augustine's Primary School, if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made following local information received in the initial consultation process. With a 2006 Mass attendance of 470 and a sacramental index of 112 from three parishes, an early merger of all three would seem to be beneficial. The proposed parish serves an area suffering a substantial reduction in its native Catholic population, and may need some support from the more affluent areas of the city, if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. A number of Catholic migrant workers have been identified in this proposed new parish, which could have a positive effect on the total Mass attendance. The church of <i>St Joseph</i>, centrally located in the new parish, is a 'Grade 2 listed' building, mainly said to be for the high quality of its interior. It is a large church and is costly to maintain. This problem will need to be addressed by the Bishop and the Trustees. A Sunday/vigil Mass may be continued in St Augustine's Primary School, at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. The new parish would have many areas of poor housing and high levels of unemployment. The parish priest might consider retaining a pastoral presence, possibly by providing a small pastoral centre within or adjoining each of the primary schools, if and when a Sunday/vigil Mass ceases. Some weekday Masses may then continue to be celebrated in those locations. 		

Parish no. 32	To include the four Preston parishes of <i>St Walburge</i> , <i>Sacred Heart</i> , <i>Our Lady and St Bernard</i> and <i>Ss Peter and Paul</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 522	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 149
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sacred Heart</i>, <i>Preston</i>, and <i>St Walburge</i>, <i>Preston</i>, already linked would merge into a new parish soon. • The church of <i>St Walburge</i> would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday/vigil Mass. • <i>Our Lady and St Bernard's</i>, <i>Preston</i>, and <i>Ss Peter and Paul</i>, <i>Preston</i>, already linked, would merge into a new parish soon and the church of <i>Ss Peter and Paul</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. • The two new parishes would link and merge into a second new parish early in the next decade. At that time the church of <i>Our Lady and St Bernard</i> would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a variation on the initial draft proposal recognising the present linking of the parish of <i>St Walburge</i> and the parish of the <i>Sacred Heart</i>. • The church of <i>St Walburge</i> is 'Grade 1 listed' and is recognised as a building of national importance. It is very large and it is accepted that it is too costly to be maintained by the parish or the diocese. This problem is not one to be considered in the <i>Revised Draft Proposals</i> and needs to be addressed by the Bishop and the Trustees in conjunction with other Catholic bodies, development agencies and civic authorities. • The proposed new parish would serve areas suffering from poor housing and high levels of unemployment, the parish priest and the people might consider retaining a Catholic presence in the location of <i>Our Lady and St Bernard's</i> church, possibly retaining the church/hall as a valuable community resource and a facility for an ongoing pastoral presence in this area. Some weekday Masses may then continue to be celebrated there. 		

Parish no. 33	To include the two Preston parishes of St Maria Goretti and the Blessed Sacrament.	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 374	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 163
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Maria Goretti's, Preston, and Blessed Sacrament, Preston</i>, would link early in the next decade, retaining both churches. • LATER: The two parishes would need to merge into a new parish if Mass attendance continues to fall. One of the two churches would then be expected to cease to have Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With a 2006 Mass attendance of 374 and a sacramental index of 163, an eventual merger of the two parishes would seem to be essential. • A number of Catholic migrant workers have been identified in this proposed new parish, which could have a positive effect on the total Mass attendance. • The proposed parish would serve areas of poor housing with above average levels of unemployment and a low Mass attendance, and may need pastoral and financial support from the more affluent areas of the city, if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. • Indications are that the preference is for the two parishes to be linked rather than merged. It is therefore proposed that the parishes should be linked when there is only one parish priest available to serve both parishes and the consideration of a merger should be delayed until later when more information is available. • With both parishes having a large amount of property, care will be needed to ensure that the parish priest is not overburdened with responsibility for more than is necessary for the future needs of the area. • When one of the two churches does cease to have a Sunday or vigil Mass, the parish priest and the people might consider retaining a Catholic presence in the location of that church, possibly by providing a small pastoral centre within or adjoining the primary school, enabling the celebration of one or more weekday Masses in that location. 		

Parish no. 34	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 35	2006 Mass attendance : 434	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 41
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no changes before 2015. • <i>LATER: Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane, and St Francis, Goosnargh, may need to be linked.</i> 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each parish would be expected to have a resident parish priest until late in the next decade. • A proposal for an earlier linking of this parish with St Francis, Goosnargh was not accepted due to both churches requiring at present a minimum of two Sunday/vigil Masses. 		

Parish no. 35	<i>The parish of St Francis, Goosnargh.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 34	2006 Mass attendance : 281	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 29
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no changes before 2015. • <i>LATER: St Francis, Goosnargh, and Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane, may need to be linked.</i> 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each parish would be expected to have a resident parish priest until late in the next decade. • A proposal for an earlier linking of this parish with <i>Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane</i> was not accepted due to both churches requiring at present a minimum of two Sunday/vigil Masses. 		

Parish no. 36	To include the two parishes of <i>St Anthony, Preston, and Holy Family, Ingol.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 516	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 108
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A merger of <i>St Anthony, Preston, and Holy Family, Ingol</i>, would take place early in the next decade, retaining both churches for Sunday/vigil Mass. • The Pastoral Centre and Covenant Bookstore should continue to have a vital role. • LATER: The church of the <i>Holy Family</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass, if Mass attendance continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With a reasonable Mass attendance and low sacramental index (29), it is apparent that the focus of <i>Holy Family</i> has shifted from its historic service of Catholics living in the immediate locality to serving a mobile population drawn from a wider area. • Information given by the parish indicates that Sunday/vigil Mass attendance of 166 is made up of people from a wide area. • In view of the parish being recognised as very active and providing a valuable resource, the Mission Review Team and its Core Group accept that a Sunday/vigil Mass should be continued in the church of the <i>Holy Family</i> for the time being. It is therefore proposed that the church should remain in use as one of two churches in the new parish and cease to be so used only if Mass attendance continues to fall. • The proposed new parish serves some areas of poor housing and above average levels of unemployment and may need pastoral and financial support from the more affluent areas of the city, if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. 		

Parish no. 37	To include the three parishes of <i>St Andrew, Cottam, St Mary, Lea Town, and St Robert, Catforth.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade, <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 38	2006 Mass attendance : 360	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 54
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Andrew, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town</i>, would merge into a new parish soon and the church of <i>St Mary, Lea Town</i>, would then be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. The new parish and <i>St Robert, Catforth</i>, would later merge into a second new parish. The church of <i>St Robert, Catforth</i>, would be expected to cease to have its Sunday Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall. LATER: The new parish would link with <i>St Mary, Newhouse</i>, using both churches. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made following information received about the close relationship presently existing between <i>St Andrew, Cottam</i>, and <i>St Mary, Newhouse</i>, and because they share a primary school. The nearest retained church for people living in the parish of <i>St Mary, Lea Town</i>, would be <i>St Andrew, Cottam</i>, and although presently linked with the parish of <i>Our Lady and St Bernard</i>, it would seem advantageous to consider its future as part of this parish. The churches of <i>St Robert's, Catforth</i>, and <i>St Mary, Lea Town</i>, could continue to have a Sunday/vigil Mass for some time if a priest is available. This would be a matter to be decided by the parish priest. 		

Parish no. 38	The parish of St Mary, Newhouse.	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 37	2006 Mass attendance : 140	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 15
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER</i>: The parish would link with the new parish of <i>St Andrew, Cottam/St Mary, Lea Town/St Robert, Catforth</i>, using the churches of both <i>St Andrew</i> and <i>St Mary, Newhouse</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made following information received about the close relationship presently existing between <i>St Andrew, Cottam</i>, and <i>St Mary, Newhouse</i>, and because they share a primary school. 		

Parish no. 39	The parish of Our Lady and St Edward, Preston.	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 501	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 47
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change proposed. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made following information received about the close relationship presently existing between <i>St Andrew, Cottam</i>, and <i>St Mary, Newhouse</i>, and because they share a primary school. 		

Parish no. 40	To include the two parishes of <i>St Clare, Preston, and St Mary, Fernyhalgh.</i>	
New parish from an early date <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 41	2006 Mass attendance : 580	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 68
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Clare's, Preston, and St Mary, Fernyhalgh,</i> would merge into a new parish at an early date and the church of <i>St Mary</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. • The church of <i>St Mary, Fernyhalgh,</i> would then be used as the church serving the shrine of <i>Our Lady, Ladyewell.</i> • <i>LATER</i> The new parish would link with <i>St Gregory's, Preston,</i> using both churches. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a new proposal made following local information received in the initial consultation process. • It is now proposed that the presently linked parishes of <i>St Teresa</i> and <i>St Joseph,</i> both in Preston, should be merged with the parish of <i>St Augustine</i> and as a consequence of this the parish of <i>St Gregory</i> would be linked at a later time with the new parish of <i>St Clare, Preston/St Mary, Fernyhalgh</i> when a resident parish priest is no longer available to serve the parish of <i>St Gregory.</i> • A review of the proposal may take place later when more information is available about the needs of the new parish of <i>St Clare/St Mary, Fernyhalgh</i> and the parish of <i>St Gregory.</i> • A priest serving the deanery as chaplain to the Royal Preston Hospital and as an assistant priest resident within the parish should provide support particularly when this parish and the parish of <i>St Gregory</i> eventually need to share priestly services. • Responsibility for the Shrine of <i>Our Lady at Ladyewell</i> would need to be considered at a later date. 		

Parish no. 41	The parish of St Gregory, Preston	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked to parish no. 40	2006 Mass attendance : 275	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 45
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. LATER: The parish would link with the new parish of <i>St Clare/St Mary</i>, using the churches of both <i>St Clare</i> and <i>St Gregory</i> for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal made following local information received in the initial consultation process. It is now proposed that the presently linked parishes of <i>St Teresa</i> and <i>St Joseph</i>, both in Preston, should be merged with the parish of <i>St Augustine</i> and as a consequence of this the parish of <i>St Gregory</i> would be linked at a later time with the new parish of <i>St Clare, Preston/St Mary, Fernyhalgh</i>. A priest serving the deanery as chaplain to the Royal Preston Hospital and as an assistant priest resident within the new parish of <i>St Clare/St Mary, Fernyhalgh</i> should provide support particularly when this parish and the parish of <i>St Gregory</i> eventually need to share priestly services. 		

Parish no. 42	<i>The parish of St Thomas the Apostle, Claughton-on-Brock.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked	2006 Mass attendance : 213	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 20

A proposal that:

- There are no changes before 2015.

Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):

- The area, comprising only one parish, is unlikely to have its own resident priest beyond the middle of the next decade and a link with another parish will then be necessary.
- Linking is very different from merging. In linking, the two parishes are separate canonical entities and collaboration depends on local circumstances.
- In view of the preference expressed in the responses for a different link to the one named in the *Initial Draft Proposals*, the best link is not immediately obvious and a decision may need to be deferred until later information is available about the situation in the adjacent parishes. A link with *St Francis, Goosnargh*, will not be possible if the proposal to link that parish with *Our Lady and St Michael, Alston Lane*, is accepted.
- The appointment of a parish priest to serve the parish at a later date will depend very much on the availability of a priest at the time and his capacity to take on the additional responsibility of ministering to the needs of the people in two separate parishes.

Parish no. 43	To include the three Barrow-in-Furness parishes of <i>St Mary</i> , <i>Holy Family</i> and <i>St Pius X</i> .	
New parish from early in next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 740	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 128
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Mary</i> and <i>Holy Family</i> would merge into a new parish at an early date. • The new parish and <i>St Pius X</i> would merge early in the next decade. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the churches of <i>St Mary</i> and <i>St Pius X</i>. • The church of the <i>Holy Family</i> would be expected to cease to be used for any Sunday/vigil Masses. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An alternative arrangement for Barrow-in-Furness, based on three groups of two parishes each, was given serious consideration, but it was thought that this temporary measure could hamper, rather than help, the transition from the present six parishes to the two new parishes, each of which would retain two churches for Sunday/vigil Mass, when there are only two parish priests available for the whole area. • When the church of the <i>Holy Family</i> ceases to have a Sunday/vigil Mass, the possibility of retaining a Catholic presence in the location of that church should be considered, possibly by providing a small pastoral centre within or adjoining the primary school, enabling the celebration of one or more weekday Masses in that location. • The parish of <i>St Mary</i>, Barrow-in-Furness could be one of two Catholic Centres for the proposed new South-Cumbria deanery. It would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the Deanery Pastoral Council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. 		

Parish no. 44	To include the three Barrow-in-Furness parishes of the Sacred Heart, St Patrick and St Columba.	
New parish from early in next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 488	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 111
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>St Columba, Walney Island, and St Patrick, Barrow-in-Furness</i>, already linked, would merge into a new parish at an early date. • The new parish and the parish of the <i>Sacred Heart</i> would merge into a second new parish early in the next decade. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the churches of <i>Sacred Heart</i> and <i>St Columba</i>. • The church of <i>St Patrick</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A generally positive reception to the <i>Initial Draft Proposals</i> is acknowledged. • An alternative arrangement for Barrow-in-Furness, based on three groups of two parishes each, was given serious consideration, but it was thought that this temporary measure could hamper, rather than help, the transition from the present six parishes to the two new parishes, each of which would retain two churches for Sunday/vigil Mass, when there are only two parish priests available for the whole area. • The proposed new parish would serve some areas of poor housing with above average unemployment and may need pastoral and financial support if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. • Housing development both on Barrow Island and at Cavendish Dock under the Barrow Docks Masterplan might possibly have some affect on the Mass attendance in this new parish. 		

Parish no. 45	The parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, Dalton-in-Furness, including St Anthony, Askam-in-Furness.	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 46	2006 Mass attendance : 121	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 21
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The church of <i>St Anthony, Askam-in-Furness</i> would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. <i>LATER : Our Lady of the Rosary, Dalton-in-Furness</i>, would be linked with <i>St Mary, Ulverston</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A generally positive reception to the <i>Initial Draft Proposals</i> is acknowledged. The church of <i>St Anthony, Askam-in-Furness</i>, could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable or until the linking of <i>Our Lady of the Rosary, Dalton-in-Furness</i>, with <i>St Mary, Ulverston</i>. 		

Parish no. 46	The parish of St Mary, Ulverston.	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 45	2006 Mass attendance : 229	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 43
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER: St Mary, Ulverston</i>, would be linked with <i>Our Lady of the Rosary, Dalton-in-Furness</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A generally positive reception to the <i>Initial Draft Proposals</i> is acknowledged. 		

Parish no. 47	<i>The parish Our Lady and St James, Millom.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 198	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 31
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No specific comments apply to this proposal. 		

Parish no. 48	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Charles, Keswick.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 244	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 18
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parish may need to be linked with <i>St Joseph's, Cockermouth</i>, at a later date if the number of parish priests available to serve Cumbria reduces to less than anticipated. 		

Parish no. 49	<i>To include the three parishes of Mater Amabilis, Ambleside, Our Lady of the Wayside, Grasmere, and Sacred Heart, Coniston, including the chapel at Hawkshead (Mass in the Anglican Church) and the chapel of St Philip Howard, Glenridding.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 268	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 33
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Mater Amabilis, Ambleside, and Sacred Heart, Coniston</i>, would merge into a <i>new parish</i> at an early date. A Sunday/vigil Mass would continue, at the church of the <i>Sacred Heart, Coniston</i>. Sunday/vigil Mass at St Michael and All Angels Anglican church in <i>Hawkshead</i> would be discontinued. The new parish and <i>Our Lady of the Wayside, Grasmere</i>, would merge into a second new parish early in the next decade retaining the two churches of <i>Mater Amabilis, Ambleside, and Our Lady of the Wayside, Grasmere</i>, for Sunday/vigil Mass. The church of the <i>Sacred Heart, Coniston</i>, and the chapel of <i>St Philip Howard, Glenridding</i>, would then both be expected to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal taking account of further information provided in the initial consultation and reconsideration of the proposal to retain a summer only Sunday/vigil Mass at Coniston and Glenridding. 		

Parish no. 50	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Herbert, Windermere and the chapel of Sacred Heart, Staveley.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 240	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 32
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapel of the <i>Sacred Heart, Staveley</i>, would be expected to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass at an early date. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See parish 49 for the revised draft proposals for <i>St Philip Howard, Glenridding</i>. 		

Parish no. 51	<i>The parish of St Charles, Grange-over-Sands, including St Cuthbert, Flookburgh.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 230	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 20
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The church of <i>St Cuthbert, Flookburgh</i>, would be expected eventually to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil if Mass attendance declines. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapel of <i>St Cuthbert, Flookburgh</i>, could continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. Flookburgh is expected by some to be a growth area with the building of more permanent and tourist accommodation. This might possibly affect the Mass attendance in the parish in the future and the proposal may need to be reviewed at a later time. The parish may need to be linked with the new parish of <i>Christ the King, Milnthorpe/Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside</i>, at a later date if the number of parish priests available to serve Cumbria reduces to less than anticipated. 		

Parish no. 52	<i>To include the two parishes of Christ the King, Milnthorpe, and Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside.</i>	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 217	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 11
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The two parishes of <i>Christ the King, Milnthorpe</i>, and <i>Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside</i>, would merge into a new parish at an early date. The church of <i>Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside</i>, would be expected eventually to cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The church of <i>Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside</i>, could continue to have a Sunday/vigil Mass at the discretion of the parish priest, for the time that it remains pastorally sustainable. The parish may need to be linked with the parish of <i>St Charles, Grange-over-Sands</i>, at a later date if the number of parish priests available to serve Cumbria reduces to less than anticipated. 		

Parish no. 53	<i>The parish of Holy Trinity and St George, Kendal, and the chapel at Sedbergh.</i>	
New parish from an early date	2006 Mass attendance : 496	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 66
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The revised draft proposal acknowledges and affirms the comments from the people of both Kendal and Sedbergh that a weekend Mass should continue to be provided in the Anglican Parish church in <i>Sedbergh</i>. The parish of <i>Holy Trinity and St George, Kendal</i>, could be one of two Catholic Centres for the proposed new South-Cumbria deanery. It would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the deanery pastoral council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. 		

Parish no. 54	<i>The parish of Our Lady, Appleby, and the chapel of Holy Family, Kirkby Stephen.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 104	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 9
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No special comments for this parish. 		

Parish no. 55	<i>The parish of St Catherine, Penrith, and the chapels of St Wulstan, Alston and St Norbert, Shap.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 291	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 41
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Catherine, Penrith</i>, would serve the chapel of <i>St Wulstan, Alston</i>, from early in the next decade. <i>St Norbert, Shap</i>, would be expected cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass in the Anglican Church. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Wulstan, Alston</i>, would continue to be served from <i>Our Lady and St Joseph Carlisle</i> until a priest is no longer available from that parish. A weekday Mass could be continued at the Anglican Church in Shap if required when a Sunday/vigil Mass is no longer possible. Housing development in Penrith under the Local Authority Framework Strategy might possibly have some affect on the Mass attendance here. 		

Parish no. 56	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Wilfrid, Warwick Bridge, and the chapel of St Ninian, Brampton.</i>	
Existing parish later linked with parish no. 57	2006 Mass attendance : 129	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 16
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at only one of the two churches and the other church would be expected to cease to be used for any Sunday/vigil Mass when a parish priest is no longer available from Ampleforth Abbey. LATER: The parish of <i>Our Lady and St Wilfrid, Warwick Bridge</i>, including <i>St Ninian, Brampton</i>, would link with the parish of <i>St Augustine, Carlisle</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal to allow the parish to consider the possible development of the chapel at Brampton as the parish church. The church of <i>Our Lady and St Wilfrid</i> is however 'Grade 2* listed' (the second highest category) and its future will need to be considered by the Bishop and the Trustees. Its graveyard is still in use for burials. 		

Parish no. 57	<i>The parish of St Augustine, Carlisle, and the chapel of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Longtown.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 56	2006 Mass attendance : 291	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 36
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapel of <i>Our Lady of Good Counsel, Longtown</i> would be expected to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass at an early date. <i>LATER:</i> The parish of <i>St Augustine, Carlisle</i>, would link with the parish of <i>Our Lady and St Wilfrid, Warwick Bridge</i>, and <i>St Ninian, Brampton</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from local information. 		

Parish no. 58	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Joseph, Carlisle.</i>	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 59	2006 Mass attendance : 340	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 75
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. <i>LATER:</i> The parish of <i>Our Lady and St Joseph</i> would link with the new parish of <i>St Margaret Mary/Christ the King</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from local information. The parish of <i>Our Lady and St Joseph, Carlisle</i>, would be the Catholic Centre for the Carlisle deanery. It would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the deanery pastoral council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. 		

Parish no. 59	To include the two Carlisle parishes <i>St Margaret Mary</i> and <i>Christ the King</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 58	2006 Mass attendance : 308	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 59
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The two Carlisle parishes of <i>St Margaret Mary</i> and <i>Christ the King</i> would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. • Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Margaret Mary</i>. • The church of <i>Christ the King</i> would cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass if numbers continue to fall. • <i>LATER</i>: The new parish would be linked with the parish of <i>Our Lady and St Joseph, Carlisle</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday/vigil Mass may be continued in the church of <i>Christ the King</i> at the discretion of the parish priest whilst it remains pastorally sustainable. • The proposed new parish would serve areas of poor housing, with high levels of unemployment and a low level of Mass attendance, and may need pastoral and financial support from the more affluent areas of the city, if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. • Consideration was given to an alternative proposal from the deanery to link both of these parishes to others, retaining both churches, but was not thought to be pastorally sustainable when there would only be three parish priests to serve the eight parishes, including the parishes of <i>St Cuthbert, Wigton</i>, and the parish of <i>Our Lady and St Wilfrid, Warwick Bridge/Brampton</i>. 		

Parish no. 60	To include the two Carlisle parishes of <i>St Bede</i> and <i>St Edmund</i> , also <i>Morton Chapel</i> and the chapel of <i>St Michael, Burgh-by-Sands</i> .	
New parish from early in the next decade, <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 61	2006 Mass attendance : 419	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 102
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parishes of <i>St Bede</i> and <i>St Edmund</i> would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. There would not be a Sunday/vigil Mass at <i>Morton Chapel</i> or at the Anglican church in <i>Burgh-by-Sands</i>. LATER: The new parish would be linked with the parish of <i>St Cuthbert, Wigton</i>. From that time there would not be a Sunday/vigil Mass at the church of <i>St Edmund</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from local information and the possibility of continuing the present link between the parishes of <i>Our Lady and St Patrick, Maryport</i> and <i>Our Lady of the Assumption, Silloth</i>. There is the possibility of new housing near Morton Park which might possibly affect the Mass attendance. 		

Parish no. 61	The parish of <i>St Cuthbert, Wigton</i> .	
Existing parish <i>LATER</i> linked with parish no. 60	2006 Mass attendance : 141	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 13
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. LATER: The parish would be linked with the new parish of <i>St Bede/St Edmund, Carlisle</i>. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from local information and the effect of continuing the present link between the parishes of <i>Our Lady and St Patrick, Maryport</i>, and <i>Our Lady of the Assumption, Silloth</i>. 		

Parish no. 62	<i>The parish of Our Lady of the Assumption, Silloth.</i>	
Existing parish presently linked with parish no. 63	2006 Mass attendance : 125 including Maryport	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 33 including Maryport
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parish would continue with its present link with the parish of <i>Our Lady and St Patrick, Maryport.</i> 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from the desire to retain existing linking where possible and further information received from the parish of <i>St Joseph, Cockermouth.</i> 		

Parish no. 63	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Patrick, Maryport.</i>	
Existing parish presently linked with parish no. 62	2006 Mass attendance : 125 (including Silloth)	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 33 (including Silloth)
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parish would continue with its present link with the parish of <i>Our Lady of the Assumption, Silloth.</i> 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from the desire to retain existing linking where possible and further information received from the parish of <i>St Joseph, Cockermouth.</i> The parish serves an area of poor housing and above average unemployment, and may need some pastoral and financial assistance if it is to be sustainable in the longer term. 		

Parish no. 64	<i>The parish of St Joseph, Cockermouth.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 240	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 18
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes before 2015. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new proposal resulting from local information. The parish may need to be linked with another parish (possibly <i>Our Lady and St Charles, Keswick</i>) at a later time if the number of parish priests available to serve Cumbria reduces to less than anticipated. 		

Parish no. 65	<i>To include the two parishes of St Gregory, Workington, and St Mary, Harrington.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 322	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 47
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Gregory Workington</i>, and <i>St Mary, Harrington</i>, would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Gregory, Workington</i>. The church of <i>St Mary, Harrington</i>, would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance there continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Sunday/vigil Mass could continue for some time in the church of <i>St Mary, Harrington</i>, at the discretion of the parish priest whilst it remains pastorally sustainable. There is potential for a large housing development on the former Corus (Steelworks) site which might possibly affect the Mass attendance in the parish. 		

Parish no. 66	<i>The parish of Our Lady and St Michael, Workington.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 369	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 75
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes whilst the parish continues to be served by priests from Ampleforth Abbey. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No special comments for this parish. 		

Parish no. 67	<i>To include the two parishes of St Benedict, Whitehaven, and St Mary, Kells.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 413	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 88
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>St Benedict, Whitehaven,</i> and <i>St Mary, Kells</i> would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the church of <i>St Benedict, Whitehaven.</i> The church of <i>St Mary, Kells,</i> would be expected to cease to be used for a Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance there continues to fall. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Sunday/vigil Mass could continue for some time in the church of <i>St Mary, Kells,</i> at the discretion of the parish priest whilst it remains pastorally sustainable. The new parish would include areas suffering from poor housing and above average unemployment. The parish priest and the people might consider retaining a Catholic presence in the location of the church of <i>St Mary, Kells,</i> possibly retaining the church as a valuable community resource. Some weekday Masses may then continue to be celebrated there. The site of the former Kells School is allocated for the development of about 80 houses which might possibly have a small effect on the Mass attendance in the new parish. 		

Parish no. 68	<i>The parish of St Begh, Whitehaven, and the chapel of Ss Gregory and Patrick.</i>	
Existing parish	2006 Mass attendance : 567	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 127
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapel of <i>Ss Gregory and Patrick</i> would be expected to cease to have a Sunday/vigil Mass if Mass attendance continues to fall. There are no other changes whilst the parish continues to be served by priests from Belmont Abbey. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday/vigil Mass could be continued for some time in the chapel of <i>Ss Gregory and Patrick</i>. This would be a decision made by the parish priest and depend on it continuing with its present Mass attendance. 		

Parish no. 69	<i>To include the two parishes of St Joseph, Frizington, and St Mary's, Cleator and the chapel of St Bega, Cleator Moor.</i>	
New parish from early in the next decade	2006 Mass attendance : 641	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 44
<p>A proposal that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parishes of <i>St Joseph, Frizington, and St Mary's, Cleator</i> would merge into a new parish early in the next decade. Sunday/vigil Mass would be continued at the churches of both <i>St Mary, Cleator</i>, and <i>St Joseph, Frizington</i>. The chapel of <i>St Bega, Cleator Moor</i>, would be expected cease to be used for Sunday/vigil Mass. 		
<p>Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the Diocesan House of Formation continues to be sited in this parish, there is the possibility of the parish having an assistant priest in residence which may enable a Sunday/vigil Mass to be retained at the chapel of <i>St Bega</i>. This decision would be for the parish priest to decide in relation to its Mass attendance. The parish of <i>St Mary, Cleator</i>, could be the Catholic Centre for the West Cumbria deanery. It would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the deanery pastoral council, deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.) and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that it would provide a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining deanery contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting inter-parish cooperation. 		

Parish no. 70	<i>The parish of St Mary, Egremont.</i>	
Existing parish already linked with parish no. 71	2006 Mass attendance : 243	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 47
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A merger of this parish with <i>St Joseph, Seascale</i>, may be necessary if Mass attendance in that parish continues to fall and becomes pastorally unsustainable. 		

Parish no. 71	<i>The Parish of St Joseph, Seascale.</i>	
Existing parish already linked with parish no. 70	2006 Mass attendance : 44	2004/5/6 average sacramental index : 4
A proposal that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no changes. 		
Comments from the Mission Review Team and its Core Group (see also Section 1 for general comments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A merger of this parish with <i>St Mary, Egremont</i>, may be necessary if Mass attendance continues to fall and the parish becomes pastorally unsustainable. 		

Part 2 Section 3: Proposals for New Deaneries and Catholic Centres

New proposals for the present 12 deaneries to be reduced to 6 (rather than 5 as proposed in the *Initial Draft Proposals*), some time early in the next decade, in readiness for the reduced number of priests serving in the diocese from 2015 are set out in the table below.

The suggestion that Carlisle and West Cumbria should remain as separate deaneries was accepted. However the proposal to merge the Lakes and the Furness deaneries is retained as the number of parishes would be six and five respectively, considered to be too small to remain as separate deaneries beyond about 2015.

The services of priests, deacons and lay ministers will need to be equitably shared to ensure that the Church retains a pastoral presence in all areas, particularly those suffering from severe deprivation or in geographically isolated locations. The estimate is that there is likely to be no more than 88 parish priests in 2010, 65 parish priests in 2015 and 53 parish priests in 2020, with a possible 4, 3 and 3 respectively from the religious orders. The table below shows the expected number of parish priests in each of the proposed deaneries in 2010, 2015 and in 2020.

In addition to the number of parish priests, there would be a minimum of 8 other priests helping in the parishes, including the recently ordained and those also serving as chaplains to hospitals, universities, prisons, etc. or in extra-parochial posts in the diocese.

Catholic Centres, would be the location for offices and meeting rooms for the deanery pastoral councils and deanery-wide Catholic organisations (SVP, KSC, UCM, CWL, CAFOD, Pro-Life organisations, etc.), and the point of contact with the media, civic authorities and other faith groups. It is proposed that these Catholic Centres would be a focal point for adult formation, mission and evangelisation, maintaining contact with the parishes, coordinating special Masses and other events and generally promoting cross-parish cooperation. Proposals for Catholic Centres are indicated alongside each proposed new deanery.

‘Gem churches’ are churches, usually located in the centres of towns or cities that provide weekday liturgical services and devotional sustenance for workpeople, shoppers and visitors. These churches already exist and are not named in the *Revised Draft Proposals*.

Deanery	Catholic Centre	Number of parish priests in each proposed new deanery			No. of parishes in 2020	Churches with Sunday/vigil Mass in 2020 (least number)
		in 2010	in 2015	in 2020		
Lancaster and Morecambe	Cathedral, using the St Thomas More Centre	11	9	9	11	13
Blackpool and Fylde	St Kentigern, Blackpool	23	16	11	17	17
Preston	English Martyrs, Preston	19	14	10	14	14
South Cumbria	1. Holy Trinity, Kendal 2. St Mary, Barrow	15	11	10	11	15
Carlisle	Our Lady and St Joseph	9	6	5	8	11
West Cumbria	St Mary, Cleator	11	9	8	10	11
Total		88	65	53	71	81

Part 2 Section 4: Guidance on Deepening Collaboration, Linking and Merging¹

Deepening collaboration

[between two or more parishes] would involve:

- (1) Coordinating Mass times, so one priest could if necessary cover more than one parish;
- (2) The sharing of pastoral, social and catechetical activities.

Benefits:

- An increased sense of the parish being part of the wider Church.
- Adequate coverage of Masses to allow for priests' absence due to sickness or holiday.
- Greater choice of Mass times for all those who are able to travel.
- Possibilities for a wider range of pastoral, social and catechetical activities, since there will be a larger group of parishioners to support them.

Disadvantages:

- Temporary inconvenience for some due to changed Mass times.

Needed for the process:

- Good communications between the parishes, and a satisfactory procedure for coming to shared decisions.

Linking

Linked (but distinct) parishes do as many things as possible cooperatively especially given that the shared priest is striving to serve two separate parishes. This would involve:

- (1) Complete coordination of Mass times;
- (2) Increased taking of responsibility by lay people for as many areas of mission as possible in order to reduce the burden on the priest;
- (3) Cooperation between the parishes in as many areas as is practical. Joint committees and outreach programmes.

¹ A Manual of Guidance on matters which should be addressed ahead of linking and merging is to be provided by the Core Group of the Mission Review Team and should be available prior to any implementation.

Benefits by comparison with deepening collaboration:

- The possibility of serving both the parishes in question, given the reduced numbers of clergy.
- The taking-on of greater responsibility by lay people, which could strengthen the parish's mission in the long run.
- Greater collaboration, meaning that a greater number of people will be available to lead and participate in different activities, as well as there being greater collective energy and imagination; this may create a critical mass to make some extra activities possible. Unnecessary reduplication of work can be avoided, and they can benefit each other through their different strengths.

Benefits by comparison with merging:

- The maintaining of a local community based on the parish, where it is not possible or appropriate to form a single larger parish community. This is particularly relevant where the churches are not geographically close.

Needed for the process:

- Good communication between the parishes and a procedure for coming to shared decisions.
- A positive rather than simply minimalist attitude to the potential for collaboration.
- Attentiveness to ensure that the priest is not over-worked.

Merging

Through merging, two or more parishes become a single new parish. The new parish may retain more than one church, have Sunday Mass and other celebrations in more than one place, or have more than one centre for parish activities. Merging is a process of canon law: the new parish is legally a single entity. The new parish obtains the assets as well as the liabilities of the parishes which formed it. The old parishes are suppressed and a new one is established. A new name may be given to the parish which may be a brand new name or a combination of the former parish names.

Benefits by comparison with linking:

- A more viable parish situation, which would normally result where a merger is done sensitively and cooperatively.
- Larger numbers of parishioners, so that for all aspects of the parish's mission more people will be available to lead and participate in activities. Where a small parish cannot sustain, for example, a youth group or RCIA course, or extra liturgical events, the larger parish may be able to. The different strengths of the original parishes can be pooled to benefit the larger whole.
- Only one set of officers or committees needed to cover each area of responsibility. Work will not need to be duplicated and there will be a larger pool of potential volunteers for each task.
- A great simplification of administrative work for the priest, since all official paperwork needs to be done only once.

Possible disadvantages in comparison to linking:

- The disruption of a strong local community in an area where it will be difficult to form a strong sense of community within a new parish. This would particularly apply where the parishes are not geographically close.

Needed for the process:

- Good communication between the original parishes to set up a formal procedure for creating new structures.
- Shared prayer, social activities and planning during all stages of the process.
- Care to avoid one parish taking over the other rather than a genuine process of merging.
- Care to ensure that those individuals who have served the original parishes in any way are given the opportunity to continue their service in the new parish.

Finally....

The key to parishes engaged in deeper collaboration, linking and merging is an attitude of cooperation which results in finding opportunities for sharing resources to strengthen the missionary and sacramental life in each parish.

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