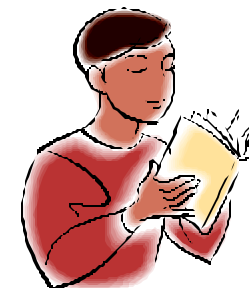


# Ideas You Can Use Parish Wide

## Prayer Focus



- ❖ Order **The Little Devotional Books** for the Lenten/Easter 2006 season from the Diocese of Saginaw. These individual, inexpensive personal prayer booklets are growing in popularity nationwide. Consider “gifting” every parishioner with their own booklet: English, Spanish, and Children’s versions. Quantity discounts available – combine orders with nearby parishes to cut costs. See [www.saginaw.org](http://www.saginaw.org) home page for ordering info and quantity discounts.
- ❖ Organize and promote Small Faith Sharing Groups utilizing materials developed by the Green Bay Diocesan Worship Department: a series for Lent; a six week series for fall; and a once-a-month model based on the Third Sunday of the month readings, all available through Anissa Willkom at ext. 8301 or email her at [awillkom@gbdioc.org](mailto:awillkom@gbdioc.org)



- ❖ Call the **Compass** today and request the special pricing/packaging options available for parish-wide distribution this Lent. Check out the *Everyday People-Everyday Faith* 8 week supplement designed for use during Lent by individuals, groups, staffs, or committees; great resource for the at-home kits used by InterGen faith formation programs. This innovative adult ed resource will feature articles/reflections written by a variety of people from all walks of life here in our own Green Bay Diocese; call Barb in the Compass Office at ext. 8208 or email [bgauthier@gbdioc.org](mailto:bgauthier@gbdioc.org)
- ❖ Promote a conscious and focused effort by parishioners towards a deeper prayer life, both personal and communal with a commitment card. Check out the project piloted with the Diocesan Pastoral Center employees this past Advent (cover letter and pledge card enclosed in this packet). Email us at [pastserv.org](mailto:pastserv.org) and request the master files; you may then customize and design to use in your own parish.
- ❖ Young adults may appreciate the on-line “Living the Scriptures” reflections outlined by Catholic UW-Madison students and recent graduates. This weekly series is sponsored by the St. Paul University Catholic Center on the UW-Madison Campus and the Madison *Catholic Herald* newspaper. Intentionally invite some Young Adults to visit [www.stpaulscc.org](http://www.stpaulscc.org) and click on the “Living the Scriptures” link. Follow up by actively soliciting their reactions, feelings, and opinions.
- ❖ “You Are What You Read!” Remember that literacy promotional slogan? Meet with the Parish Adult Faith Formation Committee regarding the establishment of parish-sponsored book clubs. Assist in the identification of book-loving parishioners and invite them to consider facilitating a small group. A great “how to get started” guide can be found on-line on the Jesuit sponsored *America* magazine website ([www.americamagazine.org/CatholicBookClubHowto.cfm](http://www.americamagazine.org/CatholicBookClubHowto.cfm)). Ave Maria Press distributes free reader’s guides on-line ([www.avemariapress.com/readerGuides.cfm](http://www.avemariapress.com/readerGuides.cfm)) as well as discounts on books purchased by parish-sponsored book clubs.
- ❖ As the stewardship committee, design and distribute small cards featuring a meal prayer for peace to be shared with every parish family. Check out the resources on the web page sponsored by the Institute for Peace & Justice Home Page at [www.ipj-ppj.org](http://www.ipj-ppj.org).

