

## **A Way Forward - Continuous improvement**

Continuous improvement is a contemporary alternative to the old “5 year plan” approach, where nothing was done until there was a big plan. Those big plans were inevitably superseded by unforeseen events within a short time of being formulated. The key to continuous improvement is consultation using the precepts and core beliefs (*Looking Forward* document pages 5-6) as a constant reference.

### **The Continuous Improvement Pathway:**

Know your vision  
and achieve goals step by step

#### **Focus on two areas:**

- ❖ **Evangelisation**
- ❖ **Improvements**

#### **Select One Year Evangelisation Goals:**

- Identify three goals (each in a different area)
- Make them concrete and do-able goals.
- Assign them to a team to undertake.

Set up a way to share progress (maybe a new way?)

#### **Evangelisation goals** - might be in the areas of:

- liturgical renewal
- liaison with school community/parents
- ongoing engagement with baptism families
- ecumenical initiatives
- RCIA
- publicity /outreach to non-attending Catholics
- social justice initiatives including publicity
- faith information opportunities/open day

#### **Select One Year Improvement goals:**

- Identify two goals
- Make the goals concrete and do-able
- Assign them to a team to do.
- Set up a way to share progress (maybe a new way?)

#### **Improvement goals**

These may be in areas of

- Communication and/or
- Resource Sharing and/or
- Widening Participation

After one year – do it all again with new goals (small number) in:

**Evangelisation and Improvement.**

The Continuous Improvement Pathway can be used in any size community or ministry team.