FACT SHEET CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

- 1. Christ Renews His Parish is a copyrighted parish renewal process that has existed since 1969 and been recommended by the renewal office of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. It has been used as the primary instrument of personal & parish renewal in over 1263 parishes in 99 dioceses, in 36 states in the USA and in five other countries. All this has happened without benefit of advertising and full time staff. We believe that if the Lord wants to use CRHP in a parish, He'll tell someone there who can take proper action. Parishes using CRHP agree to use the process only within their own parish after obtaining the legal rights to use it. A Spanish version of CRHP is available separately.
- 2. CRHP is structured so that it becomes part of normal parish life without becoming another parish organization. CRHP supports other parish organizations and ministries and sends renewed parishioners into these groups. The whole process is much more than just a weekend retreat.
- 3. CRHP has four parts:
 - A. Attend a CRHP one overnight weekend retreat: take the next step in your spiritual journey
 - B. Be on the next team: go through formation. Team formation, preparation, and catechesis.
 - C. Minister a CRHP weekend: authentic, approved experience of lay ministry in the parish.
 - D. Search for the Lord's call to what is next in parish life. Facilitates sending people into ministries in the parish, community and diocese.
- 4. When someone completes CRHP, they are called parishioner. Most CRHP participants go on to be a greater part of parish life. A few participants go on to coordinate the parish CRHP ministry under the authority of the pastor, thus lessening any addition to the task list of an already hard working pastor.
- 5. CRHP requires assistance from outside the parish to start. Once parish renewal has started, it continues using parishioners only. A number of dioceses have established renewal offices to coordinate CRHP within their diocese. CRHP is coordinated nationally by a volunteer group of lay people. CRHP does not receive any financial subsidy or support from any publisher, diocese or religious order.
- 6. CRHP is designed for Catholic parishes and/or sacramental/liturgical churches. It works best in parishes with a reasonable number of members. It is not associated with any particular school of spirituality or mode of prayer. CRHP is based on Word and Sacrament & utilizes much prayer, Scripture, liturgy, and sharing. It operates in a parish under the authority of the pastor.
- 7. Currently, the English process costs \$495.00 per parish, a one-time registration/copyright fee. Once the registration fee is paid, handbooks may be ordered. English handbooks cost \$40 each (when ordered by a parish in quantities of five or more) and are passed from team to team, thus eliminating the need to continuously purchase more handbooks. Handbooks are vital to the formation process. Each team member must have a handbook to read and study and be a part of the adult faith formation after the weekend. Everything takes place in the parish, reducing other direct costs.

Interested? Questions? We would like to talk with you, to have real contact. Contact Data:

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