

CMF, Sydney Strategic Planning Survey Responses April 2019

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NB Goals are necessarily have been stated in order of priority of what may be considered of higher to lesser importance]

First Stated Key Goal (25 responses)

1. Attract more men to fellowship
2. Prayer
3. Mobilise and grow
4. Scripture Journaling groups all over The Inner west
5. Establish a core of men to lead men's scripture based groups in 3-5 parishes
6. Grow
7. Focus on developing a personal relationship with Jesus
8. Provide direction and leadership for Catholic men to live the gospel
9. Establish a men's fellowship in each deanery
10. Increasing number of men who regularly go to Mass
11. Increase the number of men attendance
12. At least keep the same current number of members
13. Talk on Christian catholic approach to money and finances
14. Membership education
15. Stabilize with our core members
16. Fellowship
17. Clear structure in each Suburb
18. Monthly Catholic formation (incorporating both Scripture and Tradition)
19. Promote via social media and the web
20. Increase the number of men attending Mass
21. Supporting other men of faith
22. Continued regular presence
23. Long term sustainability of men's fellowship
24. Continuing the small group meetings
25. Fully implement, understand and action the Vision and Mission of CMF



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Second stated key goal (24 responses)

1. Prioritise youth fellowship
2. Brotherhood/Fellowship
3. Offer concrete actions on the ground for its members to make a change
4. Facilitate or be part of annual leadership training
5. Together talk about how to deal with non-believers in this actual historical moment
6. Networking and being in communion with others in both Catholic and Ecumenical settings
7. Build a strong brand identity in our community
8. Establish a men's fellowship in each parish
9. Helping equip parishes to run fellowship groups particularly involving men
10. Make themselves known in the marketplace
11. Always leave an open door for new members
12. Talk on vocations
13. Mateship support program
14. Reach out to new members
15. Promote CHRISTIAN values
16. Standardise material and agenda
17. Regular fellowship (fortnightly)
18. Actively engage with Parish Priests at Parishes
19. Recover pride in masculinity and align it with our faith
20. Regular meetings to enhance faith (scripture journaling)
21. Become a resource for the local parishes
22. Outreach program for men of all ages
23. Support other small groups in the area
24. Personally and collectively grow in a satisfying faith filled journey by the reading of regular scripture using SOAP process



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Third stated key goal (22 responses)

1. 1:1 men sessions
2. Faith Formation
3. Work with other dynamic men's ministries
4. Sustain each other
5. Having good relationships with the women in our lives - after all, we cannot be men's ministry in isolation
6. Make it easy for men to serve Jesus by helping in the community
7. Initiate a group e-mail listing impending fellowship meetings in adjacent deaneries/parishes to Encourage visitors between groups/parishes etc.
8. Events to encourage men in fellowship across Sydney
9. More regular social outings (dinner etcetera) for members and encourage wives, girlfriends to attend
10. BBQ outings
11. More networking
12. Use the internet to get our aims across
13. Morality
14. Importance of family time and pray
15. Regular attendance of members
16. Focus on the Bible in particular the New Testament
17. Catechise Catholic men to enable defence of our beliefs
18. Encouraging church attendance
19. Grow in number of regular attendees
20. Cement existing relationships with other men's ministry groups
21. Continue to organise events.
22. To be welcoming and forge genuine friendships (fellowship) with members



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Fourth stated key goal (18 responses)

1. Understanding Authentic Masculinity
2. Create a wide-to-deep continuum
3. Be proactive
4. Provide a fellowship for men to grow in their spiritual journey
5. Reach out to high schools to encourage boys to be involved in Christian fellowship
6. More regular Retreats
7. Talks on lives and teachings of the Saints
8. Increased fellowship
9. Family
10. Strong leadership in the family
11. Monthly evangelistic activities (outreach)
12. Seek financial support from Catholic businesses
13. Support our priests such that they preach courageously
14. Supporting good works
15. Demonstrable good works.
16. Define who/what is CMF - Is it a movement, a religious affiliation, a religious entity, a church based ministry, an independent ministry?
17. Support parish priests
18. Reach out and invite men (and from other local parishes not yet aware of CMF) who may be interested



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Fifth stated key goal (12 responses)

1. Develop a succession plan
2. Organise social events (recreational)
3. Encourage all members to focus appropriately on the balance between this finite life and eternity
4. Consider whether women should be encouraged to form a branch similar to the current CMF
5. Divine Mercy
6. Increased membership
7. Church attendance
8. Responsibility
9. Monthly social events
10. Focus on young adults and middle aged men
11. Empower the men already within the group by encouraging them to present.
12. To "market" CMF in a positive light and awareness within all local parishes

