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Mission Statement

The Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of New York cultivates prayer, formation, accompaniment, and advocacy through outreach to families in their homes, parishes, and Catholic schools.

Four Pillars of Family Life

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), in their Family Life document *Called to the Joy of Love: The National Framework for Marriage and Family Life Ministry* identify four pillars: Prayer and Relationship with Christ, Formation, Accompaniment, and Advocacy. The document can be found at [Called to the Joy of Love: National Pastoral Framework for Marriage and Family Life](#)

Vision Statement

The Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of New York collaborates with the parishes, schools, and families of the Archdiocese by recommending programs, processes, and initiatives that prepare and enrich engaged and married couples; educate, form, support, and strengthen families; build and promote a culture of life; and provide healing and comfort to those struggling with loss, grief, and brokenness.

Pastoral Plan for 2023

The Office of Family Life's Pastoral Plan for 2023 guides the process by which the staff assists in implementing the goals of the USCCB Family Life Framework and the ministry of Family Life.

The staff:

- Focuses on parish, school, and family relationships
- Focuses on target initiatives
- Focuses on parish/school/family/community outreach
- Focuses on enhancing a network of paid and volunteer coordinators/directors

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Web Site and Social Media

The newly revised web site of the Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of New York is found at <https://archny.org/ministries-and-offices/family-life/> Please be sure to provide this web site to your parishioners and school families.

We are found on **Facebook** at **Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of New York**.

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