

When we last met, we talked about the key challenges and opportunities we saw ahead. Those were... How do we need to change to tackle the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities?

Witnessing, one person at a time.

Build relationships where we can, especially with younger

Ask our younger members what is needed, what they're willing to do, and how we can support them

Be willing to go where we "don't belong," for example, show up at a parish mass as a group

Keep visibility up at GLBTQI community events

Keep liturgy as our center

Consider creating events that we can invite wider GLBTQI community to

Meeting with area college chaplains, asking how we can partner with them in ministry to GLBTQI students?

What should the key priorities of DignityUSA be in the next few years? What's most important to us; what values from our rich history to we want to ensure are carried forward?

Values: resilience, empathy, inclusivity, advocacy for marginalized (esp. trans), witnessing, women's ordination, married priesthood.

Priorities: Keep paid executive director/staff, focus on attracting younger people, (esp. younger people of color), create initiative that attract younger people, (esp. service projects and public actions).

What resources do we need to fuel our “engine” (passion and purpose) in the future? Why would people want to invest their life energy and financial resources in support of this desired future?

Time, talent, treasure (all limited in our local chapter)

Taking stock of and celebrating what our organization is and what it has accomplished

Keeping in mind our mission as a way of motivating us (possibly reading mission statement at business meetings)

Meeting with local editorial board to make sure Dignity USA's 50th and our role in its success gets recognized locally.

What is this community's guidance to the national leadership as they create a strategic plan for the next few years of DignityUSA's mission and work? Consider topics such as key commitments to mission, key goals, investments, financial resources, volunteer and leadership resources, talent recruitment and partnerships/outreach.

Make sure public advocacy for GLBTQI continues

Continue to partner with Equally Blessed and to seek partnerships with other allies and potential allies.

Focus on ways to attract young people and develop those we have as leaders

Consider sending Dateline via Facebook, Text, or other more up to date means