

What makes a Salesian Parish Salesian Part 2

In Part I we learned that a Salesian Parish has a pastoral style that flows through the Salesian charism which builds a community environment based on both human and Christian Growth. Because the parish is a human community, we need to be conscious of what makes a community thrive and grow. Rather than just providing religious goods and services, the Salesian Parish is the means of encountering the Risen presence of Christ in the world by being:

- Prophetic
- Liberating
- Reconciling
- Sacrificing
- Consoling
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These presences represent what Jesus was for the people and must continue to shape and form how we need to be there for people today. Hence, parishioners in a Salesian Parish should experience the Parish's mission as their mission. This is best represented in the many organizations or groups that make up the Parish. The groups are not just for fundraising or social needs, rather they are meant to be diverse and far reaching. In essence these groups are truly gifts because they draw on the Risen presence of Christ.

