



Ministry Report from: **ISM/GST - Georgiana (Gigi) Bondi**
Date: **November, 2017**

1. What have you accomplished this month? What activities have you sponsored?
Communion Services:

We had scheduled 22 Communion Services.

Alpha for Mature Adults:

Alpha Retreat was a wonderful success! From the Mature Adults we had 15 people who have been attending each session. Each week the adults who attend are excited about returning the following week. Our last session will be December 8th.

Our Alpha 2 for Mature Adults will begin in January, 2018. Author John Eldredge wrote, *All Things New*. This will be a 5 week session. We will be using the same format as Alpha. We will be discussing God's promise that everything shall be renewed "when the world is made new."

Basic Alpha for Mature Adults will be starting up again in February.

Lenten Seasonal Planning Meetings:

This year the theme for the Lenten Season will be: **"Glimpses of God in Your Story"**.

We had our first meeting on October 10th. Three volunteers and one staff person attended the meeting. A meeting was scheduled on October 16th in the evening, but the only person who attended was Sr. Kay. Our next meeting will be December 15th at 11am and January 8th at 6pm. Invites have already been sent and looking forward to finalizing the Lenten Season.

AARP:

Our Drivers Safety Course that took place on November 13 & 15. There were 37 people who attended the class. This was the second largest class we have ever had. Next class will be January 22 & 24, 2018.

GST:

For the month of November:

Rides Given:	130	- 24 rides over last year
Clients Served:	21	- 19 over last year
Donations:	\$433	-\$210 over last year

Year to date:

Rides Given:	1,726	-139 over last year
Clients Served:	292	- 30 over last year
Donations:	\$4,275	-\$1,415 over last year

We have 36 Volunteer Drivers – and 7 Dispatchers. We are advertising in the bulletin for more volunteer drivers.

Since 2003 to present we have given **25,003** rides! Our goal has been met!

2. What are the plans and dreams you're currently discussing??

Having a reception to celebrate the 14 years with St. Ann's Community, ISM, GST and the parish community to celebrate not only 14 years, but Good Samaritan Transportation giving 25,000 rides to our seniors and the Communion Ministry to the residents of St. Ann's Community along with volunteering in various ways. This would be a goal for possibly next year in the fall.

One of our parishioners, Ann Preston, Co-Author; As Love Wrinkles, wrote this book regarding caregiving of a love one. Ann and Louise will be speaking at the November Ladies Guild Meeting on November 9th. We have discussed about starting a support group for parishioners, etc., who are in need of being heard and support regarding caring for their loved one. I have spoken with Sr. Mary Lou Mitchell, St. Anne's Community to help organize such a group. Sr. Mary Lou and I, along with the co-authors will collaborate with one another regarding this matter. We are meeting on Tuesday, December 12th.