



Sample Schedule for Starting SCCs

1. **SPRING-TIME:**

- The priests promote the concept of SCCs at every opportunity.
- In the Prayers of the Faithful at every weekend Mass, from now on a prayer should be offered for the development/continuation of SCCs.
- Bulletin announcements.

2. **MID-MAY:** Kick-Off Meeting inviting people who are interested in getting involved.

3. **END OF MAY:** At the end of all the Masses, priest introduces the new parish SCC Director and will speak a few minutes about SCCs; they will ask people to volunteer to train as group facilitators.

4. **JUNE:** Monday evenings 7:30-9:00 Training for Facilitators.

5. **SUMMER MONTHS:** Facilitators will continue to meet with each other using the SCC meeting format.

6. **AUGUST:** Catholic Faith Formation Retreat, to get parishioners interested in studying scripture and in journeying together in small communities.

7. **SEPTEMBER, 1st WEEKEND AFTER LABOR DAY:** Sign-Up Sunday to join SCCs; includes witness speakers to promote sign-ups; includes sign-up cards & pencils in all the seats to be filled out & returned in offering baskets. (Volunteers are needed to replenish cards & pencils before each Mass.)

8. **SEPTEMBER, 2nd SATURDAY:** 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (includes lunch provided by church) training for new facilitators and to refresh previously trained facilitators.

9. **SEPTEMBER, 2nd SUNDAY:** Priests give push at Masses for late sign-ups.

10. **SEPTEMBER, 3rd SATURDAY or SUNDAY:** 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. SCC Start-Up Retreat, for all those who signed up to meet, socialize & have a practice meeting.

11. **SEPTEMBER, LAST WEEK:** SCCs begin to meet in homes.

12. **OCTOBER:** Commission Ceremony during a popular Sunday Mass