

# PARISH EVANGELIZATION

## What Can We Do?

*"Evangelization is joyfully bringing the Good News of salvation to others."* — Christ our Hope, 2018 Synod Declaration, Bishop Coyne

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#### 6 Parish Evangelizing Activities

- Welcoming
- Good Liturgy
- The Homily
- Hospitality
- Outreach
- Platform for Conversion



#### 4 Parish Platforms for Conversion

- The Search
- RCIA/Adult Confirmation
- Light of the World Evangelization Ministries
- Personal outreach



#### 5 Traits of an Evangelizing Parish

- Joyful
- Prayerful
- Eucharistic
- Welcoming
- Mission-oriented



#### For Your Consideration

*"The Catholic Church is no longer a part of the recognized cultural establishment of the state. We are a missionary Church."*

— Bishop Coyne, Synod Declaration



#### 5 Fruits of Evangelization

- Reconnecting people to the Church
- Introducing new followers to Christ
- A Parish that's Alive
- Refocusing on Mission, not maintenance
- A Sharing in the Cross.



#### 3 Questions for Your Parish

1. Can you describe the difference Christ and the Church have made in your life?
2. What would attract someone to your parish?
3. Who are the wounded, the marginalized, the ones without faith in your community? How can we reach them?



#### 5 Resources for Parish Evangelization

- Formed.org
- Siena Institute: Called & Gifted & Ananias Training
- Bishop Barron — Word on Fire
- Living as Missionary Disciples — USCCB
- Ascension Press



#### Top 5 Books

- Divine Renovation — Fr. James Mallon
- Start with Jesus — Julianne Stanz
- The Contagious Catholic — Marcel LeJeune
- Forming Intentional Disciples — Sherry Weddell
- The Ultimate Relationship — CCO



#### Evangelization is our Mission

*The Great Commission: "Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, . . ." — Mt 28:19*

*"I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed encounter with Jesus. . ."*  
— Pope Francis, EG 3

*"Joy is the net that catches souls."* — Mother Teresa

*"Evangelization is One beggar telling another beggar where to find bread."* — Fr. Bob Bedard

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