## Evangelization Commission Charter

"On all Christians, accordingly, rests the noble obligation of working to bring all...throughout the whole world to hear and accept the divine message of salvation" (28)

"In achieving all this, the laity, that is Christians who have been incorporated into Christ and live in the world, are of primary importance and worthy of special care" (29)

"...evangelizing means bringing the Good News of Jesus into every human situation and seeking to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel itself. At its essence are the proclamation of salvation in Jesus Christ and the response of a person in faith, which are both works of the Spirit of God." (30)

"All the members of the Church should make a concerted effort to ensure that the means of communication are put at the service of the multiple forms of the apostolate without delay and as energetically as possible, where and when they are needed." (31)

The members of the commission develop policies and support programs in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), Children's Catechumenate and Adult Confirmation for the parish. Additionally, the commission develops programs to help the parishioners share the Good News among members of the parish family and also with people of other faiths and with Catholics who no longer participate in church life.

This commission promotes and sponsors programs that will implement the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' vision for evangelization including the national plan Go and Make Disciples. It sponsors parish events benefitting foreign and domestic missions. In conjunction with the Ministries Commission, it promotes, if possible, the adoption of another parish within the diocese, a foreign parish, or a poor inner-city community.

The pastor and commission insure that training is provided in the nature of evangelization and in strategies and tactics of evangelizing. It will also provide information specific to the groups being evangelized or served. It is responsible to prepare and propose to the parish finance council an annual budget for those supplies, equipment and expenses necessary to carry out that plan.

## **ALIGNED MINISTRIES:**

- RCIA Ministry
- Welcome Ministry

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