

Parish Vision for Evangelisation: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations



*Duccio di Buoninsegna: Christ Appears to the Disciples on the Mountain in Galilee, 1308-11, Museo dell'Opera del Duomo*

*Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.*

Matthew 28:19-20

**Some  
Definite  
Service**



Agency for Evangelisation  
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Thinking of our parish vision, we are reminded of the so-called missionary mandate. It is not just an option or a nice thought, it is written in the imperative and all of us are called to action. Concerning Evangelisation in our parish, what can tangible steps look like for people to become disciples of Jesus and live this out privately and publicly?

**We pray together with scripture:**

- ◆ What struck you about this passage? Perhaps just one word.
- ◆ What did you notice that you hadn't before?
- ◆ What inspires you personally when reading these verses? What do you find challenging?
- ◆ This is a call to action. What action are you being called to take?

Take 5 minutes to reflect on this.

- ◆ What does the Lord want for this parish?
- ◆ What is his dream for this parish?
- ◆ What do we want this parish to be regarding evangelisation?
- ◆ What would you like those outside to say about this parish if they visited?

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**A Parish Vision for Evangelisation**

What is our vision for our parishioners (internal evangelisation), and how about those who do not know the Lord? (external evangelisation) – what do we, as a parish, desire for these people?

1. What would it be like if we had the personal and ongoing conversion of everyone in our parish at the heart of our evangelisation / parish activities?
2. Who are the people we want to reach out to? Do we know them? If not, how can we get to know them?
3. How do we want to share the joy of our faith?
4. Where can we receive ourselves to be fed in our relationship with Jesus concerning evangelisation?
5. How easy or hard do you find reaching out to others and inviting them to anything faith-related?
6. What is the mindset we want to have toward those who are not in church?
7. What would help you grow in confidence to speak more freely about faith with strangers?
8. What could be a next step for your parish to understand evangelisation better and come up with a tangible way of implementing an inviting environment with practical options?
9. Where is your heart at concerning evangelisation?
10. How do you understand the relationship between prayer and evangelisation activity?

