# Charlotte/Greece/Hilton Parishes Evangelization Team April 25, 2024 Notes

Present: Holy Cross/Our Mother of Sorrows: John Owens, St. Charles Borromeo: Rose Marie Lombard, St. John the Evangelist: Marianne Katz, St. Lawrence: Karen Bunker, St. Leo the Great: Joan Rohr, St. Mark: Carolyn DelVecchio, Facilitator/link to the Pastoral Planning Task Force: Karen Rinefierd

# Excused: St. John the Evangelist: Dominick Zarcone, St. Lawrence: Patricia Urbinelli

*Purpose* of this group: to share parish evangelization best practices, to design and implement shared evangelization projects

#### Target audiences:

- 1. Members of our parishes—helping them deepen their relationship with God.
- 2. Members of our parishes—helping them talk to others about their faith without judging or criticizing.
- 3. Members of our parishes who pulled back during Covid and those no longer participating.

**Opening prayer**: Acts 9:26-31, intercessory prayers, the Lord's Prayer

# The 5/21 Gathering of the Ministerium

- Marianne shared information about this gathering of the Ministerium (an annual meeting within the Diocese of the clergy and staff members). She was invited to attend by her pastor and thought others might be interested as well because of the topic.
- Details: Tuesday, May 21, 8:30 am 3:30 pm at the RIT Inn and Conference Center. Fr. Ignacio Llorente is the presenter on the topic of "The Great Commission and the New Evangelization." Cost is \$80.
- If any members of the evangelization team are available and interested, please talk to your pastoral leader.
- Marianne will share what she learns at our next meeting.

#### Continuing work on a spreadsheet of good electronic resources for Catholics

- The spreadsheet will be posted on the Roc Catholics Northwest website. We do not plan to make copies.
- Editing the draft spreadsheet (general changes):
  - The column "how does this resource help improve my relationship with God" column will be deleted.
  - Instead of a separate column for "format" there will be tabs/new worksheets for each format. [Note from Karen after the meeting: I'll need to check with someone who knows more than I do whether we can post on the website an Excel spreadsheet rather than a PDF.]
  - The logos/icons will just be included for apps, not YouTube or other formats. They will be added to the "title" column.
  - The current "objective/purpose" and "features" columns will be replaced by one labeled "content."

- <u>Action</u>: Carolyn will replace the "how does this resource" column with one labeled "who submitted." She will send this next draft to Karen to be distributed to evangelization team members.
- <u>Action</u>: All will do the following editing for the entries they submitted:
  - Rename the document, save, delete rows that are not yours.
  - Add the titles if they are missing.
  - Look at what is listed under "Objective/Purpose" and "Features" and give Carolyn what you want included under the new "Content" column.
  - o Edit.
  - Review your entries as if you were the end user. Test all links to make sure they work.
  - Marianne will help Dominick with his spreadsheet.
  - Send edits to Carolyn by Monday, May 13.
- Once the spreadsheet is ready and on the Roc Catholics Northwest website, we will market it through a bulletin announcement and parish social media. We will have a separate bulletin article about recommended radio stations since some of those parishioners who would be interested do not use computers.

# Continuing development of a plan for the coming year

- We reviewed the spreadsheet of possible things to do that was created through brainstorming.
- We will definitely plan on continuing the Advent and Lent fliers.
- There was a suggestion to focus on youth. It was mentioned that much is already being done in the parishes. We could highlight Ignite, the school Masses at Holy Cross and St. Lawrence, and the Charlie's Angels music ministry at St. Charles Borromeo.
- <u>Action</u>: Before the next meeting (<u>by Memorial Day</u>) send your top two suggestions for each category (helping our parishioners deepen their relationship with God, helping our parishioners talk to others about their faith without judging or criticizing, and reaching out to those who pulled back during Covid and those no longer participating) to Karen. Do not include the Advent and Lent fliers since we are already committed to doing them. It is possible to re-shape any of the items from the spreadsheet of ideas.

# Closing prayer: Hail Mary

#### Upcoming meetings:

- Thursday, June 6 at 6:30 pm (room #3 in Deacon Hall at St. Lawrence)
- Thursday, July 11 at 6:30 pm, location TBD
- Thursday, August 8 at 6:30 pm, location TBD