

Key Points for Parish Evangelization Teams
Vision 20/20 – From Pentecost to Pentecost

The 20/20 Vision initiative includes the participation of all parishes, schools and religious orders in the diocese following the mission of the diocese and of all Christians through the Great Commission. It is an ongoing process that is broad in nature while being focused on the particular needs of the local parishes.

Before Lent begins in 2019, regional conversations will be held around the diocese. Each parish/cluster will send representatives (evangelization team) to meet with the teams of two or three other parishes/clusters to continue discussing evangelization. The involvement of pastors and other clergy are key in this process. Participants will be encouraged to make suggestions for ways to evangelize and will continue to identify tools that may be useful for evangelizing in their communities.

On June 6-8, 2019, the diocese will hold a Convocation. The majority of the participants will be the evangelization teams of the parishes/clusters. During the Vision 20/20 process, each parish/cluster will develop its own plan for sharing the Good News and reaching out to the peripheries as we share the *Joy of the Gospel* from Pentecost 2019 to Pentecost 2020. The evangelization team from each parish/cluster will be leading the parish/cluster effort.

The number of evangelization team members is not limited. The only limit is the number of delegates to the convocation, based on the number of parish families. Additional delegates may be included if space allows. The goals are the same for each parish's evangelization team, but the opportunities and ways to implement the process to achieve these goals will be unique to each entity. Each evangelization team should be committed to the ongoing ministry of evangelization in the parish leading up to, during and following the June convocation including the regional conversations. Each team should include one or two junior or senior high students who participate as full members.

Recommended Activities and Timeline for the Parish Evangelization Teams

- Prior to the regional conversation
 - Identify how the evangelization team will fit into your parish structure. Will this be a new committee or assimilated into an existing commission?
 - Go to the diocesan website and click on the Vision 20/20 icon.
 - Read through your parish's listening session summary. You have time, check out other parishes' summaries too.
 - See what resources are currently available for parish use. Ask for resources needed.
 - Gain a better understanding of "The Joy of the Gospel" by re-reading the text and/or using the book study resources.
 - Start a conversation with your team to begin identifying parish evangelization goals and ideas, and what resources are needed to meet those goals.
 - Develop an activity or formation opportunity to engage parishioners during Lent. A list of suggestions is available on the Vision 20/20 website. Share your ideas with other parishes.
- Following the regional conversations
 - Schedule meetings to gather on a regular basis.
 - Continue discussion of goals and ideas.
 - Identify parish groups/individuals who can help support the parish goals.
 - Consider developing an action plan for "The Joy of the Gospel" implementation.
 - Implement your Lent formation/activity.
 - Finalize the convocation attendees.
 - Reflect and discuss your parish's responses once the regional conversation summary becomes available.
 - With this information, further discuss what resources are needed at the parish level to help make the goals a reality. Share these needs with _____.
 - Brainstorm on how to bring greater awareness to parishioners on "The Joy of the Gospel" during the Easter season which leads up to the Convocation.