

Working Model for a Plan of Parish Evangelization

Based on the Post-Baptismal Catechumenate

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ON THE WAY TO 1ST BASE, EVANGELIZING PRODUCES BELIEVERS (GDC 61-62)

- One is led to a decision to place Jesus at the Center of their lives.
- Going through the Five Thresholds
- Pre-evangelization & Evangelization are happening

The Five Thresholds *

- Initial Trust
- Spiritual Curiosity
- Spiritual Openness
- Spiritual Seeking
- Intentional Discipleship

TOOLS:

- Kerygmatic Proclamation
- CCO Discovery
- Jesus is Lord
- Light of the World
- Cursillo
- God Is!
- Christlife – Discovering Christ

- ALPHA – consult with Dr. Brown
- Life in the Spirit (Charismatic Renewal)
- Catholics Coming Home
- Christian/Catholic Radio
- Chosen/Y-Disciple for Youth
- Steubenville Youth Conferences
- Matthew Kelly books and Conferences
- Personal Testimony

From the Office of New Evangelization

- Kerygma Magnets (teaching tool)
- Profiles in Discipleship Videos
- Message from God for You pamphlets



BETWEEN 1ST AND 2ND BASE, ESTABLISHING PRODUCES DISCIPLES (GDC 64)

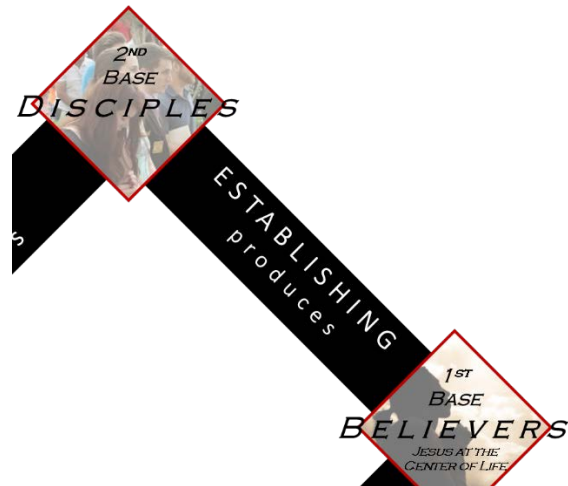
- Believers are formed in the heart & habits of a disciple
- Believers work out the details of the moral life

TOOLS:

- Christlife – Following Christ
- Cursillo Ultreya and Group Sessions
- Lectio Divina – personal or group
- Retreat in Daily Life
- CCO Source, Growth, Obedience

INITIATORY CATECHESIS

Lays the basis for the Christian life of the believer.
Takes place after Evangelizing through Establishing.



TOOLS that cover First Base up to Second Base:

- Chosen/Y-Disciple for youth
- RCIA—Association of Catechetical Ministries; or Symbolon
- Children: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Totus Tuus

SECOND BASE: PERMANENT/ONGOING/PERFECTIVE CATECHESIS (GDC 69)

Takes place at 2nd Base and throughout the life of a Disciple.

TOOLS:

- Ongoing Bible studies, Symbolon, Catholicism Series
- Christian/Catholic Radio
- Theology of the Body
- CCC studies
- Great Adventure Bible Study
- Biblical Roots of the Mass
- Catechesis on prayer - Oremus (etc)
- Theological Study

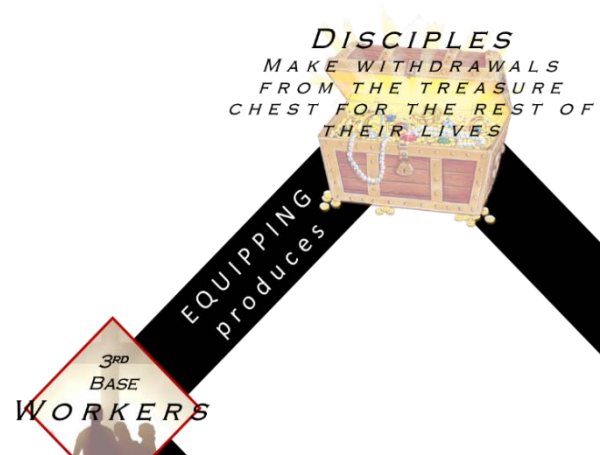


BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD BASE, EQUIPPING PRODUCES WORKERS

- Disciples are equipped for outreach to the world.

TOOLS:

- CCO Commission
- St. Catherine of Siena Called and Gifted Workshop
- Christlife – Sharing Christ
- New Evangelization Summit
- St. John Bosco Conference
- St. Catherine of Siena Institute Making Disciples workshop
- *Forming Intentional Disciples* by Sherry Weddell, and study guide
- *Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples* by Sherry Weddell
- From the Office of New Evangelization
- Threshold Videos (Watercooler Convos)
- Crash Course in Evangelization
- Parish Mentoring

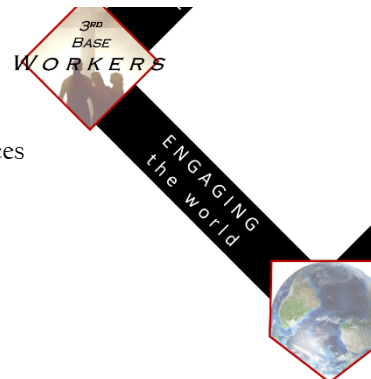


BETWEEN 3RD BASE AND HOME, WORKERS ENGAGE THE WORLD

- Workers reach out to others

TOOLS:

- “Catholics Come Home” Commercials
- Digital Media
- Social Media – share Profiles in Discipleship and other good digital resources
- Relationship Evangelization
- Christian/Catholic Radio
- St. Paul’s Street Evangelization
- Neighborhood evangelistic outreach
- Courtyard of the Gentiles
- Night Fever (Inner city parishes)



**There are no magic bullets.
This will be a “long obedience in the same direction.”**

This is not an exhaustive list, but merely a pattern by which to organize a strategy for a parish plan of discipleship and evangelization. Please contact Carole Brown in the Office of New Evangelization, for more information. 405-709-2721.

Recommended Reading: *Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus* by Sherry Weddell
Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, edited by Sherry Weddell
Divine Renovation by Fr James Mallon
Carole Brown's Blog, *Into the Deep* (www.newevangelizationokc.blogspot.com)