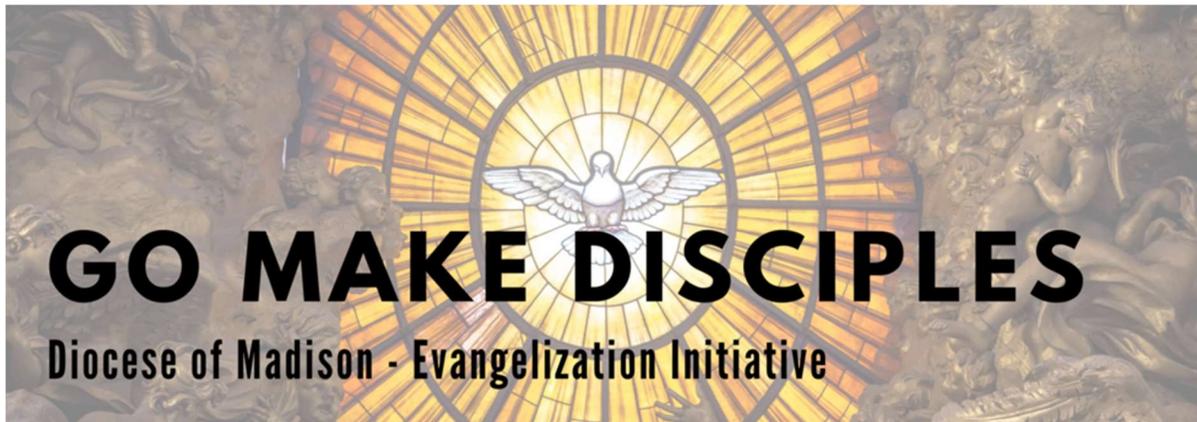


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What Are Your Needs?

As the OEC goes through some staffing changes this summer, and in a desire to be as effective as we can be, we need to hear from our **Priests** and **GMD Team Leads**: How often would you like your diocesan contact to check in with you about Go Make Disciples?

- [Monthly](#)
- [Every other month](#)
- [Quarterly](#)

Agenda for July Team Meeting

1. Prayer
2. Discussion [If you haven't done this yet] of the Vocation of the Laity (based on reading one or more of the documents linked in the June newsletter).
3. Looking back at Phase 2 Parish Evangelization Plan: **Discuss**: When you think about the goal of *Seeking Holiness*, did you do everything you set out to do? If not, why? What went well? What didn't? Take notes.
4. Looking ahead to your Phase 3 Parish Evangelization Plan, review the planning Template linked below. **Discuss**: When you think about *Seeking Holiness*, what's worth keeping from last year's plan? What should we drop? What should we add? Take notes.

Remember: These are just initial conversations! Your Phase 3 plan isn't due until November.

Template for Parish Evangelization Plan

Keep it simple. Last month, we highlighted a number of resources for part 1 of your plan. *Let us know in the comments what you've decided upon!* This month, we're focusing on the second part of the plan.



Phase Three Template

2. Seeking Holiness

The second part of your Parish Evangelization Plan should outline how you propose to help your whole parish grow in holiness in four specific areas:

1. Daily prayer
2. Reclaiming Sunday
3. Friday penance
4. Regular Confession

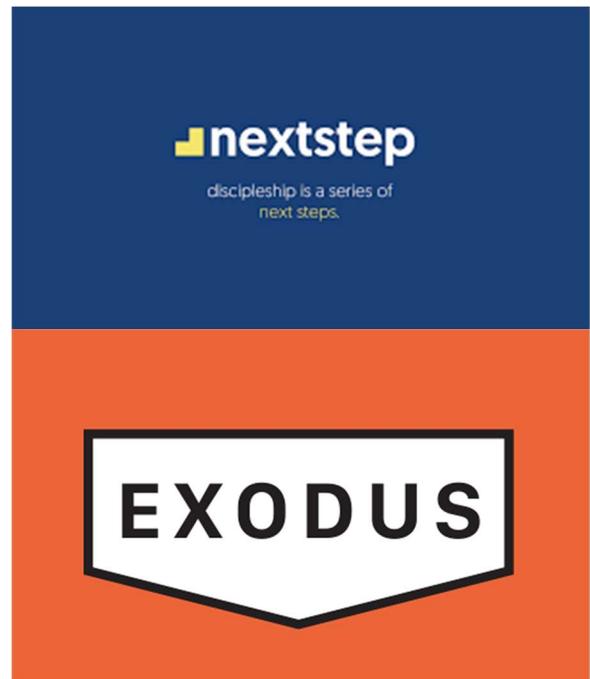
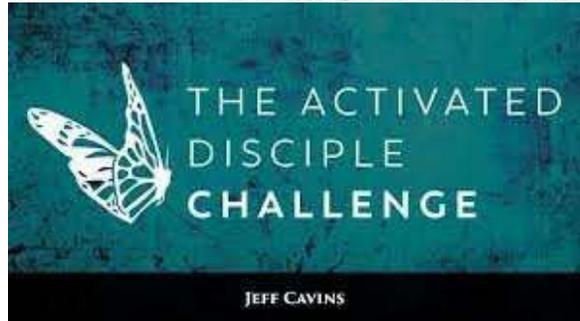
Here is a simple process to walk through as you formulate a plan. Start by thinking through the existing activities of your parish to see where and how these can be promoted in what you already do: Homilies, R.E. classes, Youth formation, Adult formation, etc.

Next, talk about anything different you might do practically to really highlight each one of these four habits.

In light of the nationwide Eucharistic Revival happening, start with **Reclaiming Sunday**: Can you do a parish Mission, 40 Hours Devotion, or set up the travelling Eucharistic Miracles display for a weekend to really highlight the Sunday Eucharist as the heart and center of the Christian life? Can you increase the beauty and reverence of your celebration of the Mass? Can you offer more Adoration hours?

Finally, talk about the other three practices as well: Do you need to add more Confession times? Or more convenient Confession times? Can you take Advent or Lent to really teach about and promote the habit of daily prayer? Can you avoid serving meat at parish events that happen on Fridays in order to encourage the practice of regular Friday penance?

Below are some resources you might find helpful in promoting the habits of discipleship in pursuit of holiness.



The Precious Blood of Jesus

The month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. A solemn feast day of the Precious Blood used to be celebrated on July 1 (and in some places still is). Pray the [Litany of the Precious Blood](#) at least once this month.

The Mond Crucifixion by Raphael (c. 1503) depicts angels with chalices to catch the precious blood of Jesus, every drop of which was more than sufficient for the salvation of the whole world.

