

Evangelization in a Post Covid Church Presenter: Rich Curran



Prayer

Ecclesial Foundations

5 Essentials Changes to Become New Evangelization

Next Steps



Prayer To Mary

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Prayer from his Holiness Pope Francis to the faithful during month of May, 2020





What Have We Learned?





Listening To Ecclesial Wisdom?

"Evangelization cannot be new in its content since its very theme is always the one gospel given in Jesus Christ. *Evangelization can be new in its ardor, methods and expression.* It must be adapted to the people of our day."

St. Pope John Paul II

"In every age, the church carries the *responsibility of reading the signs of the times* and interpreting them in the light of the Gospel, if it is to carry out its task "

Gaudium et Spes, no. 4

"The church on earth *is by its very nature missionary* since, according to the plan of the Father, it has its origin in the mission of the Son and the Holy Spirit"

Ad Gentes Divinitus, no. 2

"Nourished by word, sacrament, and communal life, they will witness and share the Gospel in their homes, neighborhoods, places of work and centers of culture"

Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us, 17

"I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security. More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: "Give them something to eat" (Mk 6:37)."

Evangelii Gaudium (49)

"The catechumenate is not a mere expounding of doctrines and precepts, but a training period for the whole Christian life. It is an apprenticeship of appropriate length, during which disciples are joined to Christ their Teacher"

Ad Gentes, no. 14



#1

Embrace Digital and Make It A Part Of Everything You Do





"The communications media have become a fundamental arena in which Christ's message must be conveyed to the whole world. Today the media affect our lives more than ever. In order to be faithful to her mission, the Church should employ all modern means of communication technology as effectively as possible to bring others to Christ"

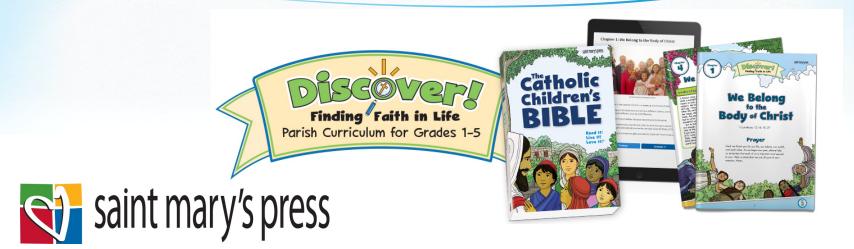


National Directory of Catechesis, p26



"If the new evangelization of the mass media is going to be effective, however, the Church must deepen her understanding of the culture in which the communications media are so consequential and learn how to make proper use of the media to proclaim Christ's message. Pastoral ministers need to be trained as specialists in communications technology; state-of-the-art production centers need to be set up; communication networks need to be developed. Using the media correctly and competently can lead to a genuine inculturation of the Gospel"

National Directory of Catechesis, p67









#2



Pivot From Teaching To Equipping With Skills



Characteristics associated with each stage...

Novice

- * Concrete
- * Literal
- * Needs constant guidance
- Seeks affirmation regularly

Apprentice

- * Begins to make connections
- Begins to apply skills
- * Seeks affirmation after completion

Practitioner

- * Manipulates multiple concepts
- * Able to synthesize and generalize
- * Metacognition

Expert

- * Able to evaluate and create
- * Self-directed
- Looks for new learning opportunities

What students need at each stage...

Novice

- * Step-by-step directions
- * Scaffolding
- * Frequent feedback
- * Structured practice

Apprentice

- * Group work
- * Application
- * Self-evaluation
- * Inquiry/research

Practitioner

- * More significant concepts
- * Open inquiry
- * More resources
- More problem solving

Expert

- * Transdisciplinary challenges
- *self-directed projects
- * Collaboration
- * Innovation







Pivot From Gathering To Connecting



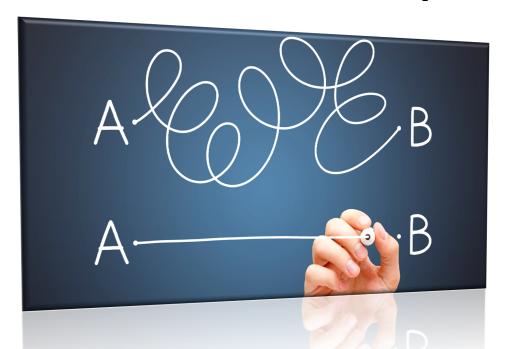






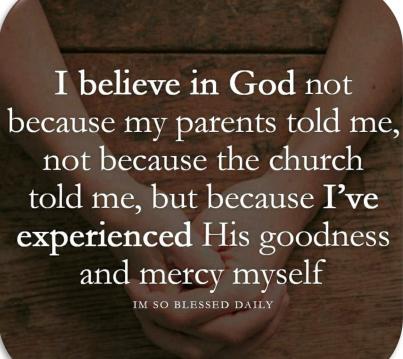


Pivot From Complex to Simple









"He said to them, 'Take nothing for the journey, neither walking stick, nor sack, nor food, nor money, and let no one take a second tunic'....... Then they set out and went from village to village proclaiming the good news and curing diseases everywhere."

Luke 9: 3,6



Pivot From Global to Local





Even in this era of shoppers shifting their purchasing preferences online, a new survey commissioned by UPS and conducted by ComScore reveals that 93% of shoppers say they prefer local and small retailers.



Source: ComScore Research

Consumers' preference for local communities, businesses, products and more is on the rise, especially for companies in the food and beverage sectors. "We are seeing growing demand for local and personalized products gaining momentum," Courtney Rickert McCaffrey, manager of thought leadership for A.T. Kearney's Global Business Policy Council. "Consumers really want a local brand with a story to identify with, particularly millennials and the younger consumer."

Source: Competing in an Age of Multi-Localism

Find your own Calcutta. Find the sick, the suffering and the lonely right there where you are in your own homes and in your own families, in your workplaces and in your schools. You can find Calcutta all over the world, if you have the eyes to see. Everywhere, wherever you go, you find people who are unwanted, unloved, uncared for, just rejected by society completely forgotten, completely left alone.

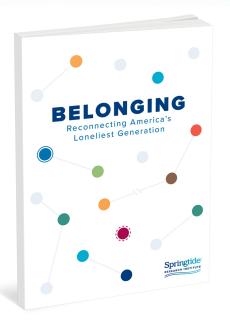
Mother Teresa



Seeing Those In Front Of You











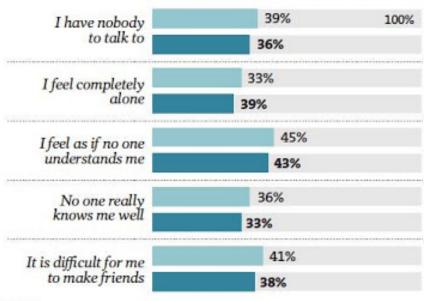
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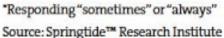
RELIGION NO BUFFER TO LONELINESS

Loneliness and isolation are widespread among young adults, according to a survey by the Springtide Research Institute. The survey shows little difference among those who attend religious services and those who don't.

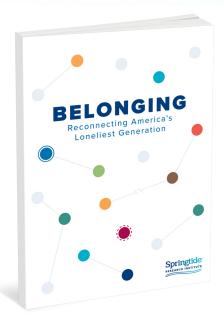
All respondents

Those who attend religious gatherings Percentages of 13- to 25-year-olds who agree* with each statement:





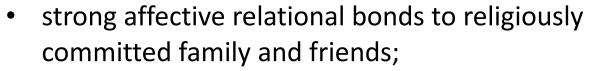
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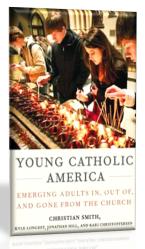
Is there Hope?

There are "Faith Trajectories" among young Catholics who **remain** committed to the practice of their faith as they entered into early (or emerging) adulthood. The common features these 'engaged' young Catholics possessed were:



- internalized Catholic beliefs through personal spiritual experiences so that faith was personally significant to them;
- engaged regularly in religious behaviors and practices such as prayer, reading scripture and attending Sunday school

Dr. Christian Smith, Young Catholic America







Closing Prayer

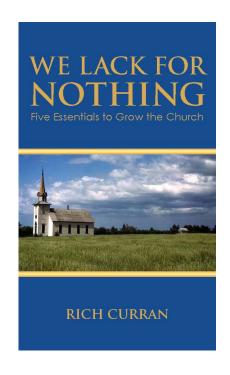
Lord of day and night, of beginnings and endings, as we prepare to conclude this meeting, we once again lift up our hearts to You, The Divine source of all life.

We thank you for the gifts that have been present within this act of service to the community. For the gifts of fellowship and understanding, of mutual respect and shared vision, we are grateful.

For the gifts of perseverance and insight into the common concerns we share, for these and all other graces, we are thankful.

As You have blessed our coming together, now bless our departure and journeys homeward. May Your blessing be upon us, In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.





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