



Catholic Teaching on Evangelization

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Bringing the Good News of Jesus into every human situation and seeking to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel itself.”

USCCB

Go and Make Disciples, 10



I therefore invite all the Catholics of America to take an active part in the evangelizing initiatives which the Holy Spirit is stirring in every part of this immense continent, so full of resources and hope for the future. In a special way, I invite Catholic families to be “domestic churches” in which the Christian faith is lived and passed on to the young as a treasure, and where all pray together. If they live up to the ideal which God places before them, Catholic homes will be true centers of evangelization.”

Pope John Paul II

The Church in America, 74



We wish to confirm once more that the task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church. It is a task and mission which the vast and profound changes of present-day society make all the more urgent. Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists to evangelize.

Pope Paul VI

On Evangelizing in the Modern World, 14

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The poor really strip you, pull you, challenge you, evangelize you, and show you God.”

Maura Clarke, MM



To the extent that you, as Catholics, are serious about evangelization, you have a mandate to do what no other group can do and that is to get serious about targeting Roman Catholics who are on the fringes of the church.”

Reginald Bibby,
*Religion Sociologist, University of Lethbridge,
Alberta, Canada*



The new evangelization first and foremost make known the historical person of Jesus, and his teachings as they have been faithfully transmitted by the original community, teachings that find in the Gospels and in the writings of the New Testament their normative expression.

Archbishop Rino Fisichella,
*President of the Pontifical Council
for Promoting New Evangelization*

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**Evangelization implies preaching, witnessing,
proclaiming, and announcing the Good News.**

**Catholic evangelization invites people
to community, worship, and service.**