

St. Louis Parish to hosts ChristLife conference on evangelization

St. Louis Parish in Clarksville will host a national conference on evangelization Feb. 8-10 presented by ChristLife, an Ellicott City-based apostolate.

Conference training will focus on helping Catholic parishes invite people to a living faith in Jesus Christ through ChristLife's 3-part evangelization process - "Discovering Christ, Following Christ and Sharing Christ."

ChristLife was recognized in 1995 as an apostolate of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. For 17 years, it has trained and equipped hundreds of parishes and ministries to evangelize.

In a Dec. 3 letter encouraging participation in the conference, Archbishop Edwin F. O'Brien said that there are few programs he has seen that are more effective than ChristLife's process of evangelization.

"Our parish has benefited tremendously from the ChristLife evangelization process," said Monsignor Joseph Luca, St. Louis' pastor. "We are excited to welcome Catholic leaders from around the country to learn how to grow as evangelizing parish communities."

St. Louis parish first partnered with ChristLife in 2010 to run "Discovering Christ," a 7-week program inviting Catholics and others to a personal relationship with Jesus.

"We had over 300 people respond," said Leo Rudegear, the Discovering Christ coordinator at St. Louis. "It was amazing to see people's hearts opened to a living relationship with Jesus."

For more information, visit christlife.org/conference or call (410) 531-7701.