Themes from Key Resources on Creating an Evangelizing Parish

Evangelizing parishes....

FOCUS ON AN EXCEPTIONAL SUNDAY EXPERIENCE

Liturgy

- Great Parishes Excel on Sundays (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Focus on the Weekend Experience (Rebuilt, Chapter 6)
- Make the Message Matter, (Rebuilt, Chapter 8)
- Giving Priority to the Weekend (Divine Renovation, p. 95-101)
- Uplifting Music (Divine Renovation, p. 110-122)
- Homilies (Divine Renovation, p. 123-135)

Hospitality

- Great Parishes Excel on Sundays (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Focus on the Weekend Experience (Rebuilt, Chapter 6)
- Hospitality (Divine Renovation, p. 101-110)
- Meaningful Community (Divine Renovation, p. 136-153)
- Communicate to insiders and outsiders (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)



ARE CENTERED ON CHRIST AND DEVOTED TO HELPING OTHERS ENCOUNTER HIM

- Great Parishes Evangelize (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Experience of the Holy Spirit (Divine Renovation, p. 176-190)
- Encounter Jesus Christ (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)
- Commit life to Jesus Christ (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)



JOURNEY TOGETHER IN SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP

- Mobilize the Next Generation (Rebuilt, Chapter 7)
- Build from Below (Rebuilt, Chapter 9)
- Meaningful Community (Divine Renovation, p. 136-153)
- Formation of Small Communities Strength-based Ministry (Divine Renovation, p. 168-176)
- Transmit faith through kerygma (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)
- Provide formation (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)



ARE ROOTED IN PRAYER AND PLAN FOR DISCIPLESHIP

 Great Parishes Foster Spiritual Maturity and Plan for Discipleship (Great Catholic Parishes)

BRING CHRIST TO THE WORLD AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

- Great Parishes Foster Spiritual Maturity and Plan for Discipleship (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Great Parishes Evangelize (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Get the Parish Out of the Pews (Rebuilt, Chapter 11)
- Be Restorers (Rebuilt, Chapter 12)
- Strength-based Ministry (Divine Renovation, p. 164-168)
- Become an Inviting Church (Divine Renovation, p. 190-195)
- Discerning Charisms for vocation (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)
- Sustain Culture of discipleship (Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples, Ch. 4)







Healthy Organizations – Supporting the Mission of the Church

- Don't Rob God (Rebuilt, Chapter 10)
- Clear Expectations Meaningful Community (Divine Renovation, p. 153-164)

Leadership – Creating Strong Visionary Leaders as Collaborators

- Great Parishes Share Leadership (Great Catholic Parishes)
- Fall in Love (Rebuilt, Chapter 13)
- Lead Where you Serve (Rebuilt, Chapter 14)
- Strength-based Ministry (Divine Renovation, p. 164-168)

BUILD A CULTURE OF STEWARDSHIP FOR THE MISSION

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