

## New Evangelization Prayer

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, source of life and holiness, you call us to faith and trust. Renew within Your church, the grace of Pentecost and the Good News of Jesus Christ so that He may be proclaimed with wisdom, courage and strength. Through Word and Sacrament open our hearts to your Grace. Pour out your Holy Spirit that you may be known and loved by all.

In Your loving mercy gather the human family into the unity of your One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

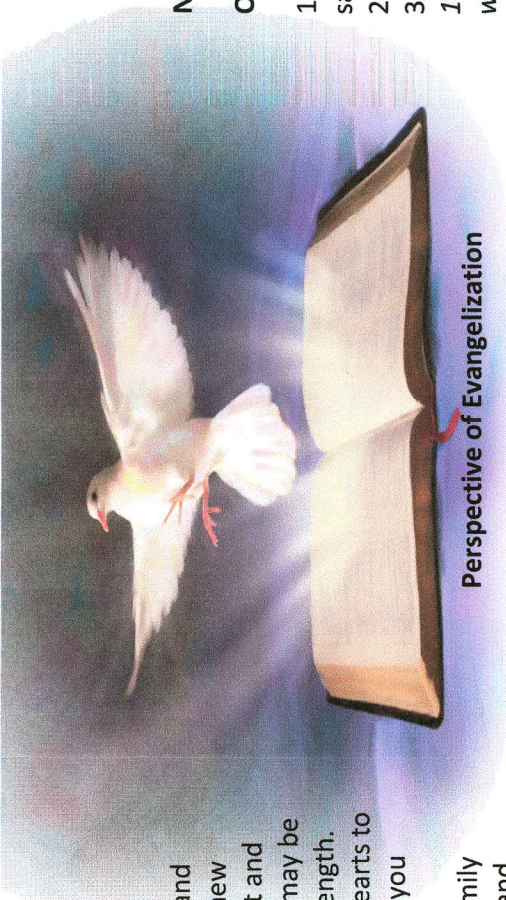
Blessed Virgin Mary, intercede for us, that we may live to proclaim Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life. Amen.

## The Diocese of Tyler Evangelization and Mission

### Mission Statement

Evangelization is Jesus Christ Himself, the Good News of God. Jesus Christ is the very first and greatest evangelizer to the point of the sacrifice of his earthly life. Jesus Christ proclaims salvation from sin and the evil one. The church is born of the evangelizing activity of Jesus Christ and the apostles:

Then Jesus approached and said to them: "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Mt. 28: 18-20)



### Perspective of Evangelization

In our lives, through events of Evangelization, God's loving grace enters into human situations, calling forth conversion of individuals and society to Jesus Christ, mediator between God and man. The Holy Spirit is the principle agent of Evangelization. It is He who impels each individual to proclaim the Gospel and it is He who in the depths of consciences causes the Word of salvation to be accepted and understood.

The Church's universal mission to evangelize is born of faith in Jesus Christ, God made flesh. The Church founded by Jesus Christ brings the Good News into these events of Evangelization and enables individuals and society to cooperate in the work of the Holy Spirit.

Evangelization is an event, a Kairos, a moment of grace, in which God manifests salvation in Jesus Christ. Evangelization events call each of us to a deeper encounter with God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We entrust our mission to the loving hands of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Patroness of our Diocese.

## New Evangelization Chaplet

### Opening Prayers

1. Using a rosary beads, with the cross in hand say: *"Jesus Christ himself, the Good News of God."*
2. On the first large bead, recite the *Our Father...*
3. On the first three beads say the following  
*1<sup>st</sup>) Grant me faith, hope and love to live your word today.*  
*2<sup>nd</sup>) Lead me to proclaim your loving mercy.*  
*3<sup>rd</sup>) Blessed Virgin Mary intercede for me.*
4. On the large beads say: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I believe in you and I trust in you.

### For Each Decade

5. On the ten small beads for each decade say the following:  
*1<sup>st</sup> Decade) Renew within me the grace of Pentecost*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Decade) Set my heart on fire that I may proclaim the Good News with wisdom.*  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Decade) Give me courage and strength*  
*4<sup>th</sup> Decade) Teach me ways to make you known and loved by all*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Decade) Let my life be a channel of your love today.*

### Concluding Prayer

Lord, with gratitude I acknowledge your grace and blessings, in the name of Jesus Christ. Mary, star of the New Evangelization, Pray for us. Amen.



Given in Tyler, Texas on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004

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