MUTUALLY SHARED VISION

OUR SACRED PURPOSE:
Under our Heavenly Father's providential care, guided by the Holy Spirit and in humble response to the call of Jesus to go and make missionary disciples, we the Catholic Church of Northeast Kansas are committed to embody the life and mission of Jesus through Word, Sacrament, and Service so that all God's people in the Archdiocese may hear and encounter the living Christ and the Joy of the Gospel.

OUR TEN YEAR STATEMENT OF VISION:
The Catholic Church in Northeast Kansas: Growing as disciples of Jesus, making disciples for Jesus.

OUR FIVE OVERALL PASTORAL PRIORITIES:
CONVERSION – EVANGELIZATION – ALL FORMS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION
OUTREACH TO THOSE IN NEED - STEWARDSHIP

OUR THREE KEY INITIATIVES:
What we will address, develop and complete through 2020.

BUILD A CULTURE OF EVANGELIZATION ACROSS THE ARCHDIOCESE

Goals:
- Equip the local church to evangelize by inviting individuals, groups, and parishes in multiple pastoral regions to participate in the discipleship training experience "The Movement of the Holy Family" by Easter of 2020.
- Accelerate our cultural shift to individual missionary discipleship by focusing on scriptural engagement, personal prayer, and intentional accompaniment in our parishes at the 2019 Archdiocesan Convocation with delegations from every parish.
- Enliven our parishes to be centers of hope, harbors for the broken and wellsprings of grace by animating the parish evangelization benchmarks, supporting strong parish leadership teams, and encouraging parishes in Gospel saturation through the 2020 Enflame Our Hearts, Homes and Communities initiative.

STRENGTHEN THE VOCATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Goals:
- Equip couples to better live the heroic call to Christian marriage by invitation to participate in the "Joyful Marriage Project" through focused marketing, creation of new offerings and continued outreach to Spanish-speaking couples by October 31, 2019.
- Better equip parents to be the primary teachers of the faith by completing and distributing all approved materials, including the "Parents as First Teachers of the Faith" video series, and supplying the appropriate directions for their use by October 31, 2019.

CULTIVATE RELATIONSHIPS BY ENGAGING IN THE CORPORAL AND SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

Goals:
- In order to grow as companions in faith, by Advent 2020, all parishes within the Archdiocese will have entered into an intentional partnership with at least one other parish to engage in projects of mercy and support in order to better encounter Christ in one another. For parishes that are currently twinned, a climate of collaboration will be fostered through coaching and sharing of best practices.
- By the First Sunday of Advent 2019, each parish, alone or in collaboration with other parishes, will commence outreach that is inclusive and supportive of parishioners with disabilities beginning with participation in faith formation programs (including sacramental preparation) and participation in the liturgy.