



## 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 and develop over an 18-24 month time period, through 2017

#### BUILD A CULTURE OF EVANGELIZATION ACROSS THE ARCHDIOCESE

Goals:

- Equip individuals to be agents of evangelization by developing and rolling out a *Disciple-2-Disciple* training program in each pastoral region (8) by Pentecost 2017.
- Establish 4-6 benchmarks by which each parish measures the intentionality of their evangelical efforts by September 30, 2016.
- Identify and equip at least one pilot parish in each pastoral region (8) that models a culture of intentional evangelization by Pentecost 2017.

#### STRENGTHEN THE VOCATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Goals:

- Summon and equip couples to better live the heroic call to Christian marriage by inviting each married couple in the Archdiocese to commit to participate in a marriage enrichment activity by February, 2017.
- Devise and communicate a strategy for strengthening and equipping parents to be the primary teachers of the faith by September 1, 2016.

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

Goals:

- On December 7, 2015, the beginning of the Year of Mercy, parishes will invite individuals and families in northeast Kansas to make commitments to regularly engage in one or more of the corporal or spiritual works of mercy during the Jubilee year.
- By Easter Sunday 2016, each parish (or parish cluster) will commit to new opportunities, or recommit to existing opportunities, for partnering with other parishes or organizations in order to better encounter Christ in one another.