

**The Office of Evangelization for the Diocese of New Ulm assists the bishop in the implementation of all diocesan initiatives focused on evangelization, missionary discipleship, and Eucharistic Revival, helping to establish a shared understanding of authentic Catholic evangelization, equipping individuals and area faith communities to live as a disciple and be sent out as missionary disciples.**

**To do this, much of the work of evangelization need not be re-created but re-designed. In other words, we're not doing different things, but doing things differently. Sticking to what the early Church devoted their time, talent, and treasure to, if we follow their model and example of living out prayer, fellowship, teaching of the apostles, and the breaking of bread (Acts 2:42), and ensure that every opportunity to know Jesus and make his name known is hitting on those elements in some consistent way, we will be sure to slowly begin evangelizing in the post-modern world. Thus, your time, talent, and treasure will help the Office of Evangelization to do so by:**

- Personally accompanying priests, deacons, and the laity who wish to give themselves to those who have yet to meet Christ, building them up in the habits of discipleship, and equipping them to go and teach others to do the same through affinity groups.
- Supporting parishes & groups in creating ways to encounter those within and outside the Church, ways to build disciples, and ways to create sustainable ongoing discipleship relationships that seek to go out together.
- Creating diocesan initiatives that provide a space of deeper encounter with Christ, that can't be experienced by a book or video, providing for our diocese tangible opportunities to encounter God, community, and adventure: retreats, pilgrimages, talks, living great stories, affirming the true, good, and beautiful about our diocese and the people living here.
- Future diocesan or deanery workshops on evangelization & living out spiritual multiplication & providing a means for co-laborers to attend National Evangelization Workshops (SEEK & National Eucharistic Congress)
- Collaborating with other Offices, such as Vocations, Hispanic Ministry, Marriage and Family Life, and Youth and Young Adult, to continue working towards evangelizing in every area of life so as to build healthy marriage and family life and invite men and women to respond to the vocation God may be inviting or calling them into.
- Supplement outreach & formative efforts with establishing a strong social media presence that advances the Gospel and mission of the Church throughout the Diocese of New Ulm via Facebook, Instagram, Podcasts, creative videos, and engaging promotional material for events, retreats, and more.
- All of this reacquires a firm belief and commitment in the power of travel and being with people as much as possible and as much as I am able. There's so much to be grateful about the Diocese of New Ulm. The land is stunning, the people are beautiful and hungry. Often times, more is caught than taught and so being able to travel and be with people as much as I can will aid in these efforts.