Evangelization
Key Issues and Key Questions

Cultural Realities
- There is no longer an cultural support for faith and religion
- The culture is promoting many anti-Gospel values and attacks on the Church
- Many have left Catholicism and many still leave at a very early age
- Many current Catholics do not have a deep and personal faith

Reflection Question: Given these cultural realities, how do we invite people to encounter Jesus in His Church and become disciples?

Theological Foundations
- Evangelization invites people to have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ in the Church through the power of the Holy Spirit
- Evangelization calls people to personal conversion and intentional discipleship
- Evangelization empowers people speak and act their faith
- Evangelization calls people to transform the culture according to the Gospel

Reflection Question: How can we center our mission on inviting people to encounter Christ in the Church and become intentional disciples who share and act on their faith in everyday life?

Other Issues and Challenges
- We need to understand the stages of discipleship and evangelize accordingly
- We need to create a “culture” of evangelization for the formation of disciples in our parishes
- We need to develop talented and faithful leaders, along with the necessary financial resources, to implement an Archdiocesan plan for calling, forming, and sending intentional disciples

Reflection Question: How do we find the human and financial resources to form leaders who can build a culture of making disciples in parishes?

Small Group Task: Key Initiatives, Quick Hits, Innovative Ideas
In light of the key issues and questions articulated above, identify how to strengthen the mission of the Church in the area of Evangelization through:
- 2-3 Key Initiatives
- 1-2 Quick Hits
- 2-3 Innovative Ideas