

On a Journey Together

Preparing to Celebrate Our 100th Anniversary in 2011

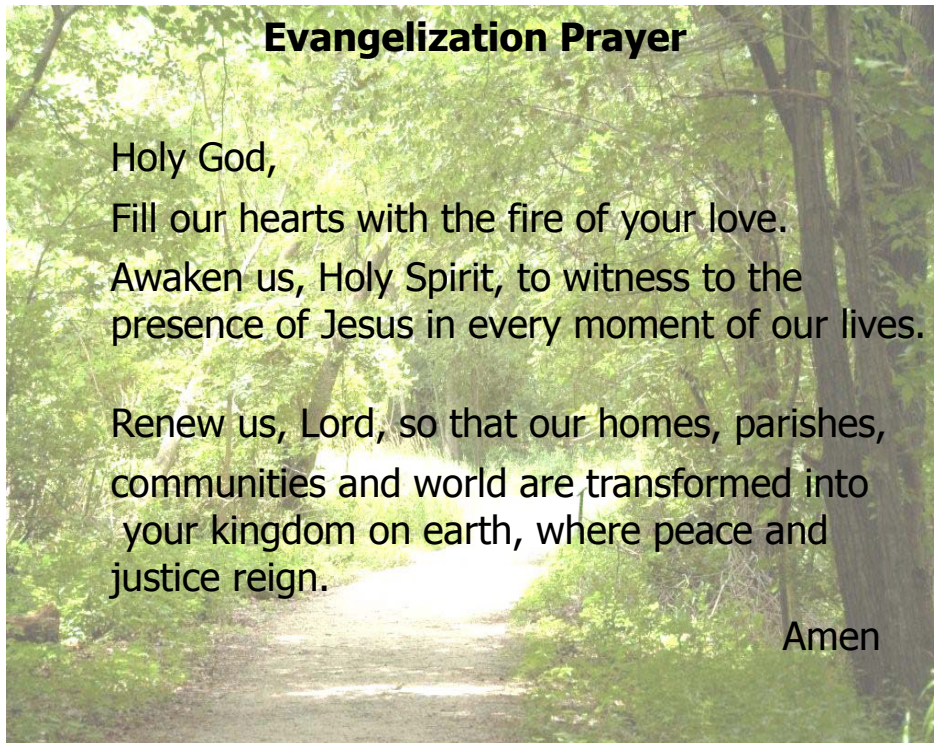
Petitions:

Lord's Prayer:

Leader: Loving God, we give you thanks for drawing us all here. May the next 6 weeks of our journey together bring us ever closer to each other and to you. May we continue to know your love and blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Leader: Let us together pray the *Evangelization Prayer*



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Leader: Mindful that we are in the holy presence of God, let us pray, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Loving God, bless our time together. May our awareness of your presence in all that we are and do increase as we seek to know and love you more. We ask this as we ask all things, through Jesus your Son in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Psalm 19

- (1) The heavens declare the glory of God; the sky proclaims its builder's craft.
- (2) One day to the next conveys that message; one night to the next imparts that knowledge.
- (1) There is no word or sound; no voice is heard;
Yet their report goes forth through all the earth, their message, to the ends of the world. God has pitched there a tent for the sun;
- (2) it comes forth like a bridegroom from his chamber, and like an athlete joyfully runs its course.
- (1) From one end of the heavens it comes forth; its course runs through to the other; nothing escapes its heat.
- (2) The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.
- (1) The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart.
The command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye.

- (2) The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The statutes of the LORD are true, all of them just;
- (1) More desirable than gold, than a hoard of purest gold, Sweeter also than honey or drippings from the comb.
- (2) By them your servant is instructed; obeying them brings much reward.
- (1) Who can detect heedless failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults.
- (2) But from willful sins keep your servant; let them never control me. Then shall I be blameless, innocent of grave sin.
- (1) Let the words of my mouth meet with your favor, keep the thoughts of my heart before you, LORD, my rock and my redeemer.
- (1&2) Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

**Reading: A reading from the Gospel according to John
(John 1:35-46)**

Reflection:

(Continue with petitions, Lord's Prayer, final prayer and Evangelization Prayer at the end of the large group gathering)