



Catholic Diocese of Memphis

Strategic Pastoral Plan
Living the Anointed Life
2025-2027
Year 2

Our Vision

To live a Christ-centered fellowship, on fire with the love of God and neighbor, to see individuals, families, parishes, and our schools working together to build up the Kingdom of God in West Tennessee.

Our Mission

Living the anointed life in Word and Sacrament.

Our Priorities

Eucharistic Life: Living a life of prayer, worship, and thanksgiving, and celebrating the Sacraments of Christ with reverence and fervor, born of the Holy Spirit's presence within us.

- **Year 2:** Emphasize Catholic devotionals through new opportunities for our families, assisting and forming the domestic church in the Sacramental presence of Christ.
 - **Scripture:** Acts 2, Ephesians 1:3-14, 4:5-6
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 1271, 2031, 1996-2000

Formation: In the fruitfulness of Eucharistic Life, we commit ourselves and our families to lifelong formation in the apostolic traditions of our faith.

- **Year 2:** Provide formation for parish and school leaders on best practices of evangelization that create pathways for missionary discipleship.
 - **Scripture:** John 1:18; John 14:6; John 15:5
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 1785, 2685, 2221

Evangelization: Born of a Eucharistic Life, we will proclaim the Good News to all in every part of West Tennessee.

- **Year 2:** Create and implement programs that integrate evangelization into the life of our parishes and schools.
 - **Scripture:** Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 1:35-38; Luke 4:42-44
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 863, 864, 865

Unity: Revealed through our Eucharistic Life, we, though many, are one Body of Christ.

- **Year 2:** Implement activities in our parishes and schools that underscore the rich diversity seen in all who are created in the image and likeness of God.
 - **Scripture:** John 17: 20-23; 1 Corinthians 12-31; 1 John 4:16, 19-21
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 361

Steeped in Mercy: Bound through our Eucharistic Life, we follow the Lord Jesus in sharing sacrificially, especially with the least, and the last, and the lost.

- **Year 2:** Develop relationships with other Christian churches in your parish area to deepen resources in the care of the Lord's poor.
 - **Scripture:** Matthew 5:1-12; Matthew 25:31-46; Luke 10:29-37; James 1: 22-25; James 2:14-17
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 1397

Stewardship: We manifest the Eucharistic Life through our generous and intentional stewardship of all God's gifts.

- **Year 2:** Form parish-level leadership to embody the call to a "spirituality of stewardship" in the use of our time, the talents we are given, and the treasure we offer.
 - **Scripture:** Luke 9:12-17; Luke 21:1-4; 1 Peter 4:10; John 10:10
 - **Catechism of the Catholic Church:** 1832