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Ashley Kaschl

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What Every Catholic Needs to Know About the Theological Virtues
Nikolas Nikas, JD

THE KERYGMA

Sharing the Gospel, the "Good News" of God's Saving Love

Catholics often get tripped up when they hear non-Catholics share their understanding of "salvation"- that is, how we can enter into an intimate communion with God here on earth and inherit eternal life with him in heaven. The reality is that for 2,000 years the Catholic Church (the Church that Jesus established) has taught a simple "path to salvation." This sharing of the Gospel is known by the Greek word kerygma. meaning "preaching" or "proclamation". By learning the following seven truths. you can effectively share the Gospel with anyone.

Consider starting with your own faith story, since your individual testimony will make your message even more powerful and effective.

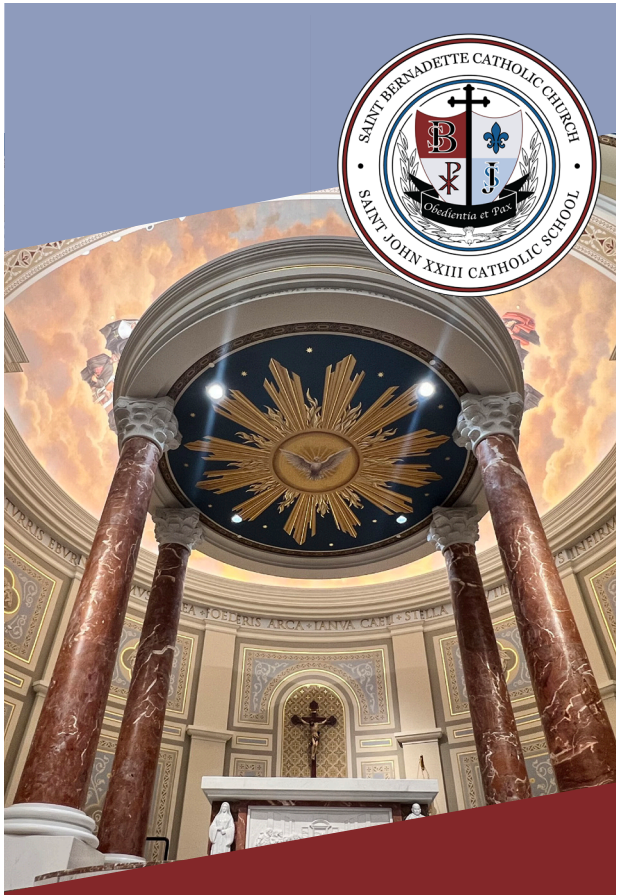
By remembering these seven lines. you have a framework for sharing the Gospel.

1. **God loves you and has a plan for your life.**
2. **Sin separates us from God.**
3. **Jesus Christ died to save you.**
4. **Repent and believe the Gospel. the "good news."**
5. **Be baptized and receive the Holy Spirit.**
6. **Live in Christ, through his body, the Church.**
7. **Go forth and make disciples.**

DISCERNMENT PRAYER

"Please pray this prayer before signing up for the classes."

Lord, I stand in awe of the many gifts you have given me. want to use them to serve you. Please guide and direct me in the discovery of my gifts. Help me find a place of joyful service that brings honor and glory to You. God our Father, in Baptism, You called me by name as I begin this journey to discern Your will for my life; help me to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.



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Here is an explanation of these seven simple truths. As you continue to learn more about your faith, your witness will become even more effective.

1. ***God loves you and has a plan for your life.*** God is love! The good news is that God loves each of us infinitely and unconditionally. This love is part of God's eternal plan that begins here on earth and ends in eternal life and happiness in heaven.

2. ***Sin disrupts God's plan and leads to misery and death.*** Since the beginning, our sins have gotten in the way of God's loving plan. Sin damages or even breaks our relationship with God and others, leaving us empty, broken and searching.

3. ***Jesus Christ died and rose from the dead to save you from sin and death.***The good news is that God loved us so much that he sent his Son. Jesus, to rescue us and restore us to an intimate, life-giving relationship with God. He died to free us from sin and rose again to save us from death. opening the door to a new kind of life that lasts forever.

4. ***Reorient your life and believe the Gospel, the "good news" of God's saving love.*** God has made the first move in saving us and bringing us to himself. but we have a part to play. We must respond by leaving sin behind, accepting his mercy, and believing the gospel. This means making Christ the new center of our lives and entrusting our lives completely to him.

5. ***Be baptized and receive the Holy Spirit.*** In the sacrament of Baptism. we are united to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We die to sin and are born again as sons and daughters of God (see Romans 6:3-4). We receive the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to live our lives in conformity to God's saving plan.

6. ***Live a new life in Christ, through his body, the Church, the source of the fullness of grace.*** In the Church, God has provided a place for us to learn. live, and celebrate his plan of sheer goodness. We do not serve God as individuals, but as a united, loving family that seeks to imitate God in our daily lives.

7. ***Go forth and proclaim the good news of God's saving love!*** Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Church continues the work of God's saving plan which Christ inaugurated two millennia ago. By loving others as God loves us and sharing the Good News of God's saving plan, we build up the Kingdom of God as we welcome others into his family, the Church. This happens in our own families. among friends. and in the various encounters of our lives.

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Nikolas Nikas, JD

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