



Summary of Regional Listening Sessions



Challenges of Evangelization and Catechesis as articulated by Pastors, Catechetical Leaders, Youth Ministers, Catechists

- Parental Disengagement in the Area of Faith Formation
- Strained and Ill-equipped Catechetical Leaders & Youth Ministers
- Lack of Investment in the Area of Youth Evangelization
- Emphasis on the Transmission of Doctrine over Lived Faith
- Models of Formation Based in Requirement, Not in Conversion

Young Peoples' Challenges and Concerns

- Issues with Mental Health and Anxiety
- Excessive Demands on Time
- Difficulty in Navigating Meaningful Relationships
- Widespread Addiction to Technology, particularly social media
- Lack of Confidence and Self-Esteem Issues

Young Peoples' Perceptions of Christ and His Church

- Misunderstanding of Sin and its Relation to God's Mercy
- Challenges in Understanding Mass and Prayer
- Perception of Religious Education as an Obligation
- Lack of Self-Reflection and Concept of the Interior Life
- Lack of Missionary Zeal

Signs of Hope in the Diocese of Green Bay

- The Joy of Conversion
- The Faithful Participation of Devout Catholic Families
- The Community of Catechists Committed to Mission
- The Resiliency of Leaders
- The Witness of Grandmothers

Discerning a Path Forward

- Propose Vision for Evangelizing Catechesis
- Explore *Order of Christian Initiation for Adults* as Inspiration for Catechesis
- Pilot New Models of Religious Education
- Renew Focus on Adult Faith Formation
- Reimagine the Catechist Certification Process