



Vine & Branches

“Whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit.”

Dear prayer warriors!

Your prayers are bearing much fruit for evangelization in the Archdiocese! We are pleased to announce that Archbishop Chaput has approved the creation of a new office, the Office for the New Evangelization! As a member of our prayer partnership, please consider yourself the backbone of this office. Please also join me in prayer as I go around this summer seeking out more intercessors for our ministry. There is so much that blocks people from coming back to God and we need more intercessors who will help remove those blocks through the offering of their prayers, joys and sufferings to God.

As you are well aware, many changes have taken place in recent months in our country that make it harder than ever for people to see God’s truth and love. The Supreme Court rulings about marriage and the HHS Mandate are some of the biggest issues that call for deep and intense prayer and sacrifice. As Our Lord told us, some things can only be driven out by prayer and fasting (Mk 9:29). That is why your ministry of intercession is so crucial to the Church’s

mission, especially in these days of trial.

But let us also take courage! There are so many beautiful initiatives taking place or getting started for which you can pray with hope! This summer, the very first St. Paul Street Evangelization outreach took place during the Fourth of July festivities in Center City Philadelphia. Also, many parish teams have gone out into the public square to tell people about Christ and the Church with our Public Witnesses of Faith project. We’ve also begun a new social media outreach to inactive Catholics to try to open the doors of communication. These are just a few of the good things that the Holy Spirit is doing among us! Please see our intentions page and the calendar for all the good things you can help pray for. Please be assured of my sincere gratitude for your prayers and sacrifices. We could not do it without you.

In Christ our Savior,

Meghan Cokeley
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Evangelization

Visit our website: <http://www.phillyevang.org>

Please keep in your prayers...

- Archbishop Chaput, Auxiliary Bishops Thomas, Senior, Fitzgerald, and McIntyre, and all priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, that the Lord would draw them ever deeper into his Sacred Heart and transform them into perfect vessels of his grace and love.
- The intentions of your parish.
- For our Catholic Schools and PREP programs as they begin the Fall semester, that the Lord would transform them ever more deeply into places of transforming encounter with Jesus Christ in his Church.
- For our evangelization teams beginning outreach to inactive Catholics, that their labors will bear lasting fruit in the hearts of those to whom they reach out.
- For all those searching for truth, that they may find the Truth who is Jesus Christ.
- For those whose hearts are hardened to God and the Church, that their wounds would be healed, their barriers softened, and a desire for God be born in their hearts.

Please pray in a special way for these events...

Thursday, September 12, 2013 – 7:00pm

Archbishop's Year of Faith Lecture Series: Professor Brad Gregory
Science Vs. Religion? The Compatibility of Catholicism and the Natural Sciences

Thursday, September 19, 2013 – 7:00pm

Archbishop's Year of Faith Lecture Series: Ross Douthat
Bad Religion: How We Became a Nation of Heretics

Tuesday, October 1, 2013 – 7:00pm

Archbishop's Year of Faith Lecture Series: Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Fire Upon the Earth: A Call to Conversion and a New Evangelization

Saturday, October 5, 2013 – 9am to 4pm

Door-to-Door Evangelization Workshop—Learning how to reach out to inactive Catholics

Sunday, October 13, 2013 – 3-8pm

Archdiocesan Walking Pilgrimage of Faith

Saturday, December 7, 2013 – 8:30am to 4:00pm

Catholic Women's Conference



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**St. John the Baptist Parish, Ottsville
Corpus Christi Procession, June 2**



**Holy Cross & St. Francis of Assisi
Parishes, Springfield
Public Witnesses of Faith
June 2013**



**Mother Dolores Hart shares the story of
her conversion from Hollywood fame to
life as a cloistered nun!
July 2013**



**Over 1,200 people attended the
National Catholic Bible Conference in
Doylestown!
June 2013**