

Evangelization Ministry

FAITH SHARING

(SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES)

We organize small groups that come together to share the Good News of God's love, deepen our faith, and encourage one another's faith journeys.

Having experienced the love of Christ, we need to share it with others.

What we do:

Participants are formed into small groups that meet on parish grounds or in homes. A facilitator leads each group in prayer, reading and reflecting on the Scriptures, and discussing how the Gospel teachings relate to our everyday lives. Through these actions, we learn more about God and how he works in our lives. We connect with new friends and are strengthened by Christian friendships. We grow as Christians at home, at work, and in our community.

WHEN:	Groups meet once a week, for 6 weeks, twice a year (during Lent and Advent)
WHERE:	In various set places and times
TIME:	90 minutes per session

Participants:

We pray and share our love of Jesus with each other, attend sessions faithfully, and try to read the weekly material in advance. The number of participants is unlimited. Last session, about 100 people participated.

All are welcome and encouraged to join our sessions.

Facilitators:

One is needed for each group. At present, we have fifteen qualified facilitators.

We need more volunteers to lead groups, so we can have more groups.

Facilitators (leaders) prepare for the sessions, maintain contact with participants, and act as liaison to the Evangelization Team.

Qualifications:

Be willing to pray, share your faith, be a compassionate and good listener, and be respectful of one others' confidentiality.

Leaders need to be able to work with a group to keep them focused.

For the future:

We want to encourage more people to have groups meet in their homes.

We'd like to add some *Retreat Days* during the year and sponsor talks by guest speakers on spiritual topics.