



COURAGEOUSLY *Living the Gospel* DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG

Ambassadors for Christ -Introduction

Evangelization is bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ into every human situation and transforming the world.

It's what Catholic Astronaut Thomas Jones did on a Sunday morning in 1994 when he participated in a Communion Service in space on board the Space Shuttle Endeavour.

This is what it means to bring God into every aspect of our lives and to share our faith.

This is what it looks like to Courageously Live the Gospel.

As Catholic Christians, we are called to carry forth the mission of Jesus Christ and to be his ambassadors.

This means being so filled with the love of Jesus that we can't contain it! We are compelled to present Jesus or represent Jesus to the world through our actions, our words and our attitudes.

We are blessed to have received the gift of faith and to be part of a community that feeds the poor, heals the sick, shelters the homeless, comforts the afflicted, celebrates the Mass, and teaches the faith.

We share the Good News of Jesus Christ with a world that is in desperate need of beauty, truth and goodness. And we have more work to do.

In some parts of our culture today, the face of God is disappearing from our institutions, our communities and most sadly, our families.

God is counting on us to bring his message of hope, mercy and love to the world- to be his ambassadors.

He is counting on us to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and invite others to encounter the love and mercy of Jesus Christ.

This means letting our love for the Lord be visible to the people in our lives, including our family, friends, co-workers and acquaintances. This is where evangelization starts. This is where you fit in!

We invite you to take this mission on as your own!

We have created three videos. Our videos cover three topics: Receiving Christ's Love, Sharing Christ's Love and Being Christ's Love.

I hope these videos will help you to join us in becoming Ambassadors for Christ! May God bless you!