

# St Jude's Evangelism Proposal – September 25, 2025

**Evangelism** = defined as an invitation to those who are not yet a part of the St. Jude's community to "Come and see" what St. Jude's has to offer. "Evangelism is cooperating with the Holy Spirit to help people take steps toward being apprentices of Jesus." (Bowen, 2021) The constant call to action which we will invite every member of the St. Jude's community to share with non-members is to "Come and see" why I love this place.

**St. Jude's** ~~ "Traditional, Anglican followers of Jesus, many ministries, one home."

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**Report:** Background, Objectives, Benchmark churches, Observations, Suggestions

## Evangelism Suggestions

### A perennial standing Committee

1. Establish evangelism as a separate perennial ministry
2. Clarify the committee's mandate, roles and responsibilities
3. Formulate a three-year plan (to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2028)

### Resources

4. Fund the Ministry to the tune of \$10,000 annually
5. Quickly generate, review and approve outbound messages
6. A committee member be given access to the St. Jude's social media accounts
7. Training program be established with talk track for all of us to invite others

### Action based on our strengths

8. Document several facts and particular points about our strengths
9. Identify and accentuate our strengths
10. Let the community know about these (and other) strengths
11. Do the deep work necessary to better articulate who we collectively are

### Identity

12. Share the proposed statement of identity internally.
13. Share the proposed statement of our identity in the Oakville community
14. Figure out the areas in which we want to evolve the culture

### Culture

15. Accommodate other groups and perspectives
16. Find those groups and invite them to "come and see"
17. Plan an all-parish weekend of October 25 & 26 with John Bowen