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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

After two years of much listening and discernment, we are now ready to take the next significant step towards resetting our vision for enhanced vibrancy - Disciples Make Disciples.

I am happy to share with you a document that outlines my vision for making disciples by embracing a "New Evangelization" characterized by new ardor, new methods, and new expression. This vision document details the importance of prayer, one-on-one evangelization, and innovative approaches to express faith in service to others.

This vision is a guiding text to help each of us build the muscle for a synodal mode of ministry. A digital copy is available on our new website that goes live today - theway.archstl.org. I invite you to read it and pray with it. Please encourage your fellow parishioners to do the same. Be creative in how you adopt this resource as a source of inspiration in your own prayer life, so we can all be united in our response to the great commission as disciples who make disciples.

This moment for renewed evangelization will take time and discipline, so be patient in discerning the promptings that the Holy Spirit may outstretch to you through this new mode of ministry. Please respond with an open heart and devote yourself and those around you to relational ministry and intentional accompaniment.

As we quickly approach this early Lent, I appreciate your ongoing support and prayers. Please be assured of my prayers for you as well.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski Archbishop of St. Louis