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We Are All Called to Be Missionaries!

By Fr. Timothy Smith

I remember the day that I visited the Sacred Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples during my time studying in Rome. This holy office helps assist members of the Church in many missionary parts of the world—in countries where the Catholic Church is too poor or small to sustain itself or where local authorities are hostile to the Catholic faith. The work of the congregation dates back several centuries to when, under the authority of the Holy Father, many missionary saints set out to proclaim the Gospel in new and foreign lands. Like the saints who have gone before us, we have received the missionary mandate from Jesus to go and “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

There is something heroic about the work of evangelizing people in foreign lands—it is tempting to think that the Church’s missionary effort is far away. But you can be a missionary right here in the Midwest by forming relationships with the members of the Church in your local area. My view of being a missionary was jostled by reality during my first year of priesthood. I encountered people from every part of the world participating in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at my parish. In addition to the lifelong parishioners, I began to meet lifelong Catholics who originated from EVERY continent on earth. I even have a parishioner who once lived as a scientist on Antarctica!

At the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, we celebrate the Sacred Liturgies of the Holy Roman Catholic Church

with great reverence according to the rubrics of the Roman Rite. We have many parishioners from Central and South America who speak Spanish as a primary language and English as a second language. Our parish also hosts a diverse group of Catholics from Southeast Asia. Piety and desire for holiness live loudly in these parishioners who all have individual stories as lifelong members of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

In the last 20 years, our parish has grown to welcome members who originate from several different African nations. Sometimes different national groups are represented by different tribal affiliations. Some of these members of the Church have been baptized Eastern Rite Catholics in full communion with the Holy See. Many of their ancestors were members of the Church before our European ancestors. Most notably are members of the Eritrean Catholic Church, whose ancient liturgical celebrations use the Ge’ez language, a Semitic language which fell out of common usage several centuries ago. For most of the year, the people are accustomed to attending Sunday Mass with the rest of the parish, though we welcome a Franciscan priest to our parish who is trained to celebrate the Divine Liturgy of the Eastern Rite in the Ge’ez language twice a year.

As I look out on the Sunday assembly at our parish, even though we are a unique mix of Catholics from around the world, I am filled with joy and the consolation of the Holy Spirit. Just as the disciples at Pentecost, the Church speaks the language of every nation. An ancient African Homily in the Divine Office (Continued on page 3)



Real Presence Radio Announces New Staff!

Brett Beyeler, Underwriting Accounts Executive



I grew up in New-castle, a small town in northeast Nebraska. I attended the University of South Dakota in Vermillion and graduated with a degree in Contemporary Media and Journalism.

I worked in television as a production assistant for two and a half years after college

and then in the newspaper industry for two years, selling classified ads. In September 2014, I started working at Lamb Catholic Radio in Sioux Falls as an account executive. I was also on the Sioux Falls O’Gorman Athletic Broadcast Teams.

I now work for Real Presence Radio as the Area Account Executive, reaching out to businesses across the RPR Network for underwriting sponsorships. I am really excited to continue relationships with my current underwriters and look forward to making new relationships with future underwriters across the Real Presence Radio Network!

What I love the most about working in Catholic Radio is seeing the impact in the lives of families and individuals and hearing them share their stories! My favorite programs on Real Presence Radio are *Real Presence Live*, *Take 2 with Jerry and Debbie*, and *Catholic Answers Live*.

I am a member of Christ the King Parish in Sioux Falls, where I am also active in the Knights of Columbus Chapter. I enjoy spending time with my family and being the best uncle to my two wonderful nephews who bring such joy to my life. My favorite activities include watching sports, especially pro and college football and basketball, listening to country music, going to concerts, watching movies, fishing, and exercising.

Heather Karrow, Listener Relationships Coordinator Southwest

I was born and raised in Rapid City, South Dakota, where I attended Catholic schools. I got my BA from Chadron State College in Nebraska. My life has taken me on many adventures, and after living in many states, for the past ten years I have found myself back home in South Dakota, in Sioux Falls. I have one daughter who is a sophomore at O’Gorman High School. I enjoy singing a lot—I belong to the Sweet Adelines and cantor at Christ the King in Sioux Falls.

My path to Catholic Radio started out as a volunteer position that moved into two hours per day before becoming full time. The radio station was just getting started here in Eastern South Dakota, and I wore many, many hats.

I adore Catholic Radio and its ability to meet people where they are! Hands down my favorite aspect is getting to meet others that have a deep love for the faith, as well as those just starting their journey. I

love getting to interview a huge variety of people who are working for the mission of the church. Hearing how excited they are about what they’ve been called to do is energizing! I’m grateful God

has put me here in the mission of Catholic Radio today, and I pray that I can serve Him well.



"Catholic Radio is an effective means to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love and mercy to Catholics and non-Catholics alike!"

-Bishop Paul Swain, Diocese of Sioux Falls, SD

Michael Wilde, Listener Relationships Coordinator Southeast

Michael serves as a Listener Relationships Coordinator for RPR and is stationed in Southern Minnesota. Following several years of recording promotional ads for the network in the Fargo area and hosting some episodes of *Real Presence Live*, he informed RPR that he would need to step away from the network as he would be moving closer to his aging parents as well as siblings and his grandchild. Through God's providence, the network was simultaneously given an opportunity to expand into the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and needed someone with Michael's skills to create a presence in the area.

Michael holds degrees in education, theatre, and communications. He and his wife Amy live with their two youngest children, Payton, and Neila.

Michael's greatest joy as an RPR team member is hearing the stories of how people have been drawn deeper into their faith, both on and off-air. He most enjoys listening to *The Doctor Is In* for insights to parenting and family dynamics and to *Real Presence Live* to stay connected to friends and family throughout the listening area.



Coming this October: Two New Banquet Locations in Rochester & Sioux Falls!

This October, Real Presence Radio is bringing their annual fundraising banquets to two new locations! On Tuesday, October 23rd, a banquet will be held in Sioux Falls, SD at the Best Western Plus Ramkota Hotel, and on Thursday, October 25th, there will be a banquet at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, MN. Teresa Tomeo, host of EWTN's *Catholic Connection*, will be the keynote speaker in both locations.

In addition to being a radio host, Teresa manages her own communications company and is also a bestselling author and print, radio, and television journalist with more than 30 years of experience in media. When Teresa reverted to the Catholic faith, her broadcasting experience came with her, and she now uses these skills to advance the mission of Christ.

For more information about the events, or to become a sponsor, host a table of eight, or register to



attend as a guest, please visit yourcatholicradiostation.com/banquet, call (877) 795-0122 or email jessica@yourcatholicradiostation.com!

If you live in another part of our listening area, mark your calendar for the banquet location nearest you:

Bismarck, ND: Monday, December 3, 2018 at the Bismarck Event Center with Teresa Tomeo.

Rapid City, SD: Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at the Best Western Ramkota with Teresa Tomeo.

Fargo, ND: Monday, February 18, 2019 at the Delta by Marriott with Johnnette Benkovic Williams.

Duluth, MN: Thursday, March 14, 2019 at the DECC with Dr. David Anders.

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that God's Church was to speak the language of every people?"

Fr. Timothy Smith serves as Parochial Vicar at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in the Diocese of Sioux Falls.



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We'll Drive a Little Way and Live the Little Way!

St. Therese of Lisieux once said to Jesus, "I want to love You like a little child and battle like a warrior bold!" Join us September 19, 20, & 21 for our Fall Live Drive as we seek to follow in St. Therese's little way, battling boldly to claim souls for Christ in the fight against misunderstanding of and indifference to the Faith. We'll travel just a little way across North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming to broadcast live and local stories of faith and hope from bishops, priests, and laity. Check out the full schedule of guests online at yourcatholicradiostation.com/live-drive!

We've been blessed to hear from people whose relationship with Christ has grown because of Catholic radio. With an expanding coverage area of 22



signals, however, our expenses have also grown. The Live Drive is one of our biggest fundraisers, and in order to meet budget, we need to raise \$450,000.

Will you tune in and prayerfully consider making a donation to help us share the Gospel and change hearts across the Midwest? As a special thank-you gift to our Apostle-level donors (\$1,000+) who call in during the Live Drive, we will be sending St. Therese of Lisieux brown scapulars that have been touched to relics of St. Therese and her parents, Sts. Louis and Zelig Martin.

As the Live Drive approaches, please pray through the intercession of St. Therese that the will of the Lord is done in our apostolate, and that we seek to trust in Him as little children!