

# St. Paul Street Evangelization

## Leadership and Team Positions

### Team Director

The Team Director is responsible for the overall leadership of the local SPSE team. His or her responsibility is to recruit team leaders and other Catholics willing to get involved with the apostolate. At first, the Team Director may be doing the bulk of the coordination, although one or two other people may help. This is a fine way to start but the Director should always be looking to fill the other leadership positions with capable Catholics. The team director must:

- Take the SPSE Certification Courses and complete ongoing monthly training modules. This may be done at one's own pace. All current Team Directors will have a 30 day window to complete the first series of certifications. New leaders will need to complete certification before they can evangelize as an official SPSE team.
- Make a profession of faith and take the Oath of Fidelity as defined by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for those assuming an office exercised in the name of the Church:  
<http://www.ewtn.com/library/curia/cdfoath.htm>
- Fill leadership positions with capable Catholics.
- Order signs, pamphlets, Rosaries, and the other materials necessary to start the local SPSE team.
- Check the local team website for accuracy and make sure the get-involved form is working properly.

### Station Leader

A station leader is responsible for leading the team out on the street. All evangelization activities in public by an SPSE local team must have a Station Leader or Team Director present at all times. Many teams will have several stations set up in various locations on any given day. Each one of these stations must have a Station Leader present or nearby.

Station Leaders must:

- Take the SPSE Certification Courses and complete ongoing monthly training modules.
- Make a profession of faith and take the Oath of Fidelity as defined by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for those assuming an office exercised in the name of the Church.
- Keep track of materials for his or her station and restock when necessary.
- Be responsible for the teams when they are out in public, making sure that no laws are being broken and that team members are representing the Faith with fidelity and charity.

### SPSE Certified Evangelist

An SPSE Certified Evangelist is a Catholic who would like to get involved with a local team and share the Faith with others but who does not want to take on the responsibility of being a Station Leader. An SPSE Certified Evangelist must:

- Take at least the first two SPSE training modules and receive certification. Ongoing monthly training is not required. A yearly review will be necessary to keep your certification current.
- Make a profession of faith and take the Oath of Fidelity as defined by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for those assuming an office exercised in the name of the Church.

### Evangelist

An Evangelist is a faithful Catholic who has not taken any certification courses but wishes to participate with the apostolate by sharing the Faith on the streets anyway. An Evangelist must agree to the SPSE Code of Conduct and Membership Agreement and evangelize with SPSE only when a Team Leader or SPSE Certified Evangelist is nearby.

### **Community Relations Coordinator**

This person is responsible with reaching out to local churches, the community, and the media. The goals are to create awareness of and support for the apostolate, attract new team members, and build awareness of the need for ongoing faithful prayer support. Some examples would be:

- Contacting Parishes to get inserts placed in the bulletin, to speak after a Mass or event, or set up a table in the vestibule after Mass. Displaying a sign. Having interested Catholics write their name, email, and phone number on a signup sheet for further information.
- Contact local Knights of Columbus and other Catholic Lay Organizations to find out ways to get them involved.
- Contacting the local Catholic radio stations to get them to do interviews with local team members and to play the Public Service Announcements.
- Organizing fundraising events, such as potluck dinners.
- Keeping an eye on the community calendar for evangelization opportunities: a parade, a public fair, farmers markets, sporting events, a pro-life conference, and so on
- Watching for Catholic events occurring in the diocese and requesting a table

### **Team Communications Coordinator**

The Communications Coordinator is responsible for keeping everyone on the local team informed about upcoming events and outings. The coordinator should:

- Maintain a list of evangelists and other contacts
- Contact by telephone or email all evangelists in advance of outings and get commitments from people for going out
- Find out what day(s) would work best for each team member
- Maintain a schedule of who is going out for different events
- Follow up on leads received through the website, email, signup sheets, or other contacts made at booths or events arranged by the SPSE Community Relations Coordinator.

### **Prayer Outreach Coordinator**

The job of the Prayer Outreach Coordinator is to contact all the local religious communities, churches, and prayer groups and ask them to pray for our apostolate, our leadership, evangelists, and those we evangelize, both locally and on the national level. Our prayer is that God make grow the seeds we plant and bring about many reversions and conversions to the Catholic Faith.

### **SPSE Prayer Warrior**

An SPSE Prayer Warrior is a very important team member. Leaders should actively seek them out and recruit them. There are several types of SPSE Prayer Warrior activity. An SPSE Prayer Warrior may be someone who wants to join us on the streets but feels called only to praying while out there, rather than engaging in active conversations. An SPSE Prayer Warrior may also be someone who dedicates a certain amount of prayer and sacrifice for the intention of the team's successful activities. An SPSE Prayer Warrior may also be someone who gathers with others and prays in a chapel or elsewhere at the same time that the team is out on the street. No training is necessary for this position.

### **Spiritual Advisor**

Each team should try to find a trusted priest who is willing to act as their spiritual advisor. The team should meet with him on occasion for direction and support for their local activities.