

# Lay Ministry Formation

Archdiocese of Dublin

*What we currently offer – More than 1,000 people from across the Archdiocese participated in training, education and formation opportunities in the past year*

**DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS:**

This is an intense immersion into the ministry of catechist with seven modules over seven Saturdays in the course of a year. Participants also gather in small groups to share and reflect. This builds confidence and competence for developing faith, and growing family engagement in the parish.

**PATHWAYS:** This is a two-year course for adults who want to grow in understanding of their faith. In the first year there are five modules exploring the basics of theology with the focus on Welcome, Worship, Word, What is Church and Sacraments. In the second year five modules focus more on Witness, Prayer Skills and Leading Liturgy, Faith Sharing and Lectio, Pastoral Planning and Discernment, Growing in Leadership. There is also the opportunity to experience retreat time. This is ideal for those on Pastoral Councils and those who feel called to lead prayer and reflection.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL TRAINING:** Developing pastoral leadership, vision and prayerful decision making for the parish community.

**TRAINING FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

**MINISTERS:** Understanding the importance of ministry and Eucharist to enable best practice.

**TRAINING FOR MINISTERS OF THE WORD:** Embracing what it means to effectively proclaim God's Word through a deeper understanding of ministry.

**FUNERAL PRAYER LEADERS TRAINING:**

Four modules are offered on how to lead prayer moments well, exploring the Order of Christian Funerals in depth. This prepares lay people to lead prayers in collaboration with their priest.

**'CALLED BY GOD' BAPTISM TEAM**

**TRAINING:** Focused training to facilitate the Called By God process can take place in deaneries or partnership. This new programme connects with everyday family life and the role of parents in passing on faith.

**YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP:** This exciting new programmes aims to build local capacity in our parishes and partnerships to support young people as they grow in faith. Six modules are offered to enable local youth leaders to grow in confidence and competency.

**CONFIRMATION CONNECT:** This training aims at helping parish Confirmation Teams to engage fully with the process of journeying with families towards the celebration of Confirmation. It aims to connect parent and child, family and parish, reflection and action.

**LAUDATO SI' AWARDS:** Training is available for parishes who want to engage young people in the important work of caring for God's creation and impacting on parish life.

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