

To Register for the Course

Please complete the following and mail to the address listed below with a \$25.00 check payable to St. Maria Goretti by January 31st, 2006. Late registration Fee: \$ 35.00

Name _____

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Parish Ministry Formation

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Session Schedule

Friday, February 17th

7:15PM-9:30PM at the Vietnamese Catholic Center, 2849 South White Rd.

Session 1 – A Call to Ministry

Saturday, February 18th

8:45AM-3:00PM at the Vietnamese Catholic Center

Session 2-4 - The Experience of God, Sacred Scriptures, and Who is Jesus?

Friday, March 17th

7:15PM-9:30PM at Most Holy Trinity Church 2040 Nassau Dr.

Session 5 - The Church

Saturday, March 18th

8:45AM-3:00PM at Most Holy Trinity Church

Session 6-8 - Liturgy and Sacraments, Social Justice and Morality, Prayer and Spirituality

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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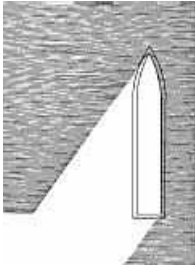
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**Growing in Faith,
Love, and Service**

A Vision of Lay Leadership and Participation

The teachings of the Second Vatican Council led to a tremendous growth in the involvement of the laity in the life of the Church. The Council states:



Participators in the function of Christ, priest, prophet and king, the laity have an active part of their own in the life and action of the Church.

Their action within the Church communities is so necessary that without it the apostolate of the pastors will frequently be unable to obtain its full effect.

The parish communities of Christ the King, Most Holy Trinity, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. John Vianney, St. Maria Goretti, St. Patrick, and St. Francis of Assisi have made “lay participation” a priority with thousands of parishioners serving in a variety of ministries. The parish ministry formation program strengthens this leadership.

Who is this for?

The parish ministry formation is an introductory program for persons currently serving or interested in serving in parish ministries. It is also open to Catholics who want to learn more about their faith.



Parish Ministry Formation

The parish ministry formation program has been developed to **provide a current updating of the core elements of the Catholic faith** and to ground all participants in the teachings of the post-Vatican II Church prior to taking training for a specific ministry area. It provides a **common basic foundation for all parish volunteer ministers** and covers material that is common to the basic preparation for each ministry. The program is beneficial to new ministers and experienced ministers interested in deepening their knowledge in a given area and **is offered in three languages—English, Spanish and Vietnamese.**

The cost for the program is \$25.00 which includes both weekend courses, materials and lunches.

Course Outline

The parish ministry formation course covers eight topics foundational to the Catholic faith. These are:

- The Call to Ministry
- The Experience of God
- Introduction to Sacred Scriptures
- Who is Jesus?
- The Church
- Liturgy and Sacraments
- Social Justice and Morality
- Prayer and Spirituality

Each session incorporates lecture, small and large group discussion, personal reflection and prayer. The courses will be taught by members of parish staff and guest presenters.

Participants should plan on attending all of the sessions.

