

MISSION STATEMENT

*The Catholic Diocese of Saginaw
Lay Ministry Program
impelled by the baptismal call
to holiness of all people,
offers the opportunity for
Human,
Theological,
Pastoral,
and Spiritual Growth
in preparation for ministry among
the People of God.*

*In an atmosphere of hospitality,
all are accepted
with their unique lived experience
and multicultural backgrounds.*

*Challenged to grow in holiness,
all are educated and empowered
to develop their gifts and
to live the Gospel message of
Justice and Peace for all.*

ABOUT LAY MINISTRY FORMATION

Its Purpose is to Provide:

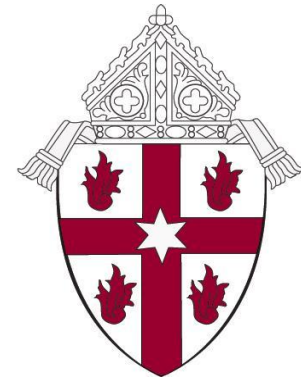
- Human Formation
- Spiritual Growth
- Theological Education
- Pastoral Practice for Catholic Adults

How? Participants Will:

- Expand their knowledge of Scripture and Catholic Theology
- Learn to live their baptismal call in the service of others
- Strengthen and deepen their relationship with God through prayer, retreats, and spiritual direction

**The Catholic Diocese of
Saginaw**

Lay Ministry Formation Program



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THE PROGRAM

The initial formation program consists of:

I. Once a Month Weekend Sessions

First Year

- Introduction to Church Ministry
- Old Testament (2)
- Interpersonal Communications
- New Testament
- Morality (2)
- Faith and Reason
- Christian Spirituality

Second Year

- Sacraments of Initiation
- Sacraments and Liturgy
- Christology
- Ministry Reflection
- Church History
- Ecclesiology
- Mission of the Laity in the World
- Ministry to Choiceless Events

These seminars require reading and written work as assigned by the instructors. Sessions are held Friday evening and all day Saturday at the Center for Ministry, Saginaw. Overnight accommodations are available.

II. Spiritual Formation

Community Prayer, Annual Retreat, and Spiritual Direction

III. Ministry Formation

Field Experience with Supervision

Upon completion of the program requirements, continuing education and spiritual direction are provided.

REQUIREMENTS

- Recommendation by Pastor
- Interview with Coordinator of Lay Ministry
- Endorsement by Parish Council
- Psychological Interview
- Home Interview
- Sacramental Papers

Informational Regional Meetings are held in February and March each year to explain the Lay Ministry process.

Application Period is February through May 15



LAY MINISTRY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Note: Information will be sent in the spring.

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