

CATECHIST

If you are what you
should be, you will set
the whole world on fire!
- Catherine of Siena



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MISSION & MINISTRY MATTERS

A note from the Director...

Dear Friends,

As we progress into late Autumn there is a lot of ground work being done in parishes to train a new generation to minister in a variety of ways.

We are offering some exciting formation opportunities, among these is our new #YML Diocesan Certificate in Youth Ministry Leadership.

This is aimed at growing a new capacity to accompany young people at parish, partnership and deanery level.

There is more information about this inside and how to register to take part in the training.

We are also offering workshops to use the new resource for accompanying parents when they present their child for the sacraments of reconciliation and holy communion for the first time. This resource is called Grow In Faith, it aims to enable parishes to enable parents to be the first educators in the ways of faith and links intentionally with Grow In Love. The first two workshops for deaneries will take place in October. This is for sacramental teams.

We continue to offer support for all areas of ministry, Peter Siney is available to partnerships and deaneries for training, with a jam packed diary already, this includes PPC training, eucharistic ministers and readers training as well as funeral ministry training. He takes on the role of Course Coordinator for the Pathways course, and we have a full complement of first years.

Fr Pat continues to work with the Laudate and Emmanuel Projects, and is available to support all liturgical music initiatives as well as continuing funeral ministry training.

As always please get in touch about your support needs.

Patricia

Upcoming Events:

For JANUARY
YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP
TRAINING contact
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GROW IN FAITH
WORKSHOPS
Donnybrook
15th October
Arran Quay
22nd October

MINISTRY TRAINING
for PPCs contact
peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie

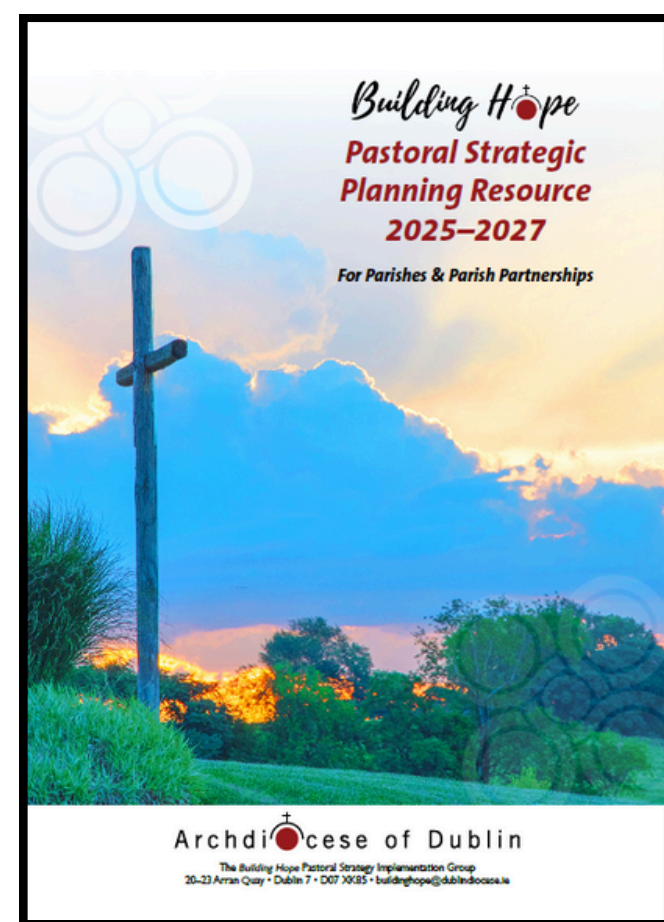
FUNERAL MINISTRY
for team training
and funeral leaders
contact
peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie
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pat.odonoghue@dublindiocese.ie

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Adult Faith Ministry

RENEWING YOUR PARISH MINISTRIES

Parishes are being introduced to the BUILDING HOPE PASTORAL STRATEGIC PLANNING RESOURCE which will help to shape the growth of parishes and parish partnerships over the next 3 years. Here are some ideas of how we might do this by renewing our parish ministries...



In your Newsletter use some of the quotes (e.g. from Pope Francis) from *Voluntary Ministry Matters*

1

Before we start tapping people on the shoulder asking them to volunteer, we might first think about growing people's understanding that parish ministry is part of our responsibility as members of the parish, that all are needed and have a role to play. This could form part of homilies and reflections at Masses as well as being a message in your newsletter, website and social media.

2

Take some time to review the ministries in the parish... Which are working well? How might they be even better? What areas of ministry need some attention and support? What ministry groups are missing? Do all your ministries have a Team approach?

Use the 'Being a Ministry Friendly Parish' survey on P11 *Voluntary Ministry Matters* to help you find areas that need to grow

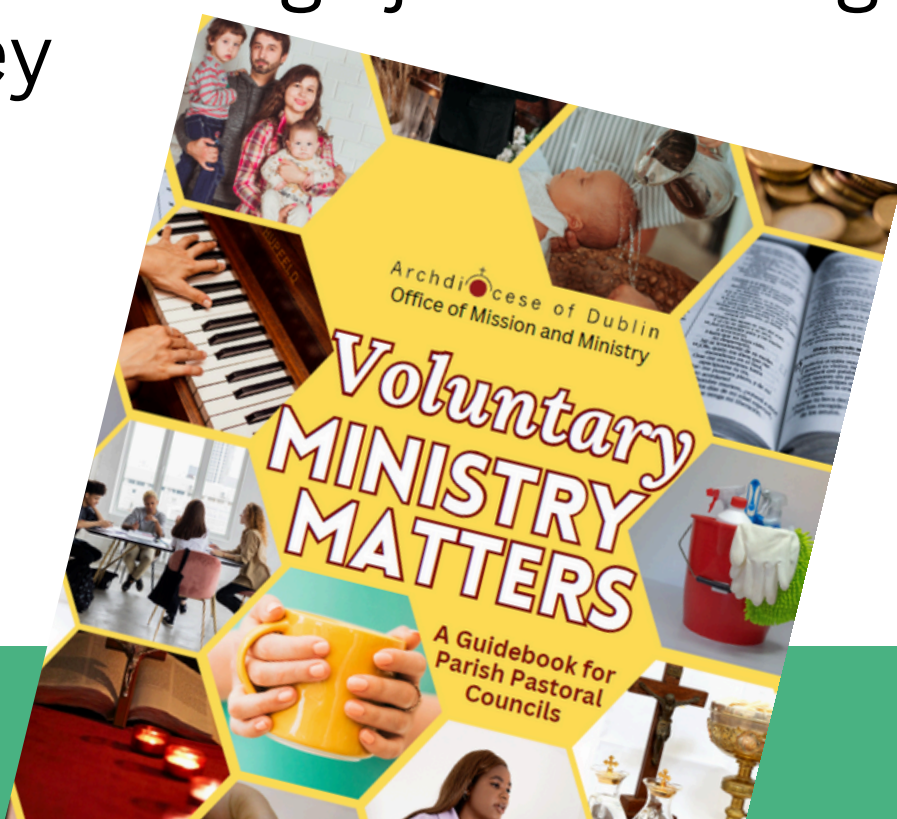
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Have a conversation with the other parishes in your partnership or Deanery to arrange training for parish ministry groups

Don't feel you have to do everything on your own. Perhaps there are resources, ideas for best practice and recruitment that can be shared between parishes? Training from the Diocese is already happening on a Deanery/Partnership/Pastoral Area basis. For more information or to arrange joint training please contact Peter Siney

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Download a copy of *Voluntary Ministry Matters* from the Ministries section of our website: www.missionministry.ie



GROW IN FAITH WORKSHOPS FOR SACRAMENTAL TEAMS

We now have two new resources for parishes to help you accompany parents in their role.



This resource is called **GROW IN FAITH** as it aims to help parents in growing their own faith and ability to share simply with their children.

This is linked to Grow In Love and the lessons in the class book that specifically explore First Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time.



RESOURCES

These are available free on the mission and ministry website.



WORKSHOP ONE

for
Donnybrook deanery
15th October 7-9pm
Donnybrook Parish Centre



WORKSHOP TWO

for
North and South City
Deaneries
22nd October 7-9pm
St. Paul's Church Arran Quay



TO REGISTER

Email:
[patricia.carroll@
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DEANERY WORKSHOPS

Contact Patricia if you want to host a workshop for your deanery





Youth & Young Adult Ministry

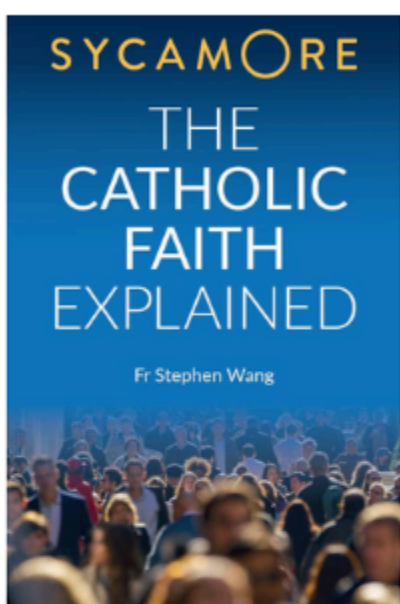
#YML

A new and exciting opportunity is beginning with the establishment of the Diocesan Certificate in Young Adult Ministry - **#YML**. Running over 6 Saturdays, the aim of this Diocesan Certificate is to build up the capacity of Youth Ministry and Youth Ministry Leadership throughout the Archdiocese of Dublin. It is a highly practical course where participants are given new experiences & key resources, including gaining vital skills to put into practice in their local context, while also being grounded in key church documents such as *Christus Vivit*. It is opening to all who have a call to minister with youth and young adults. Registration is open and can be accessed by clicking the poster image on the next page. For more information and to send on any queries, please contact natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie Please offer your prayers for the successful establishment of this new Diocesan Certificate Course and Ministry in the Archdiocese of Dublin.

It was a busy summer as your Young Adult group headed out on the Camino starting in Sarria and walking the 115km to reach Santiago. Over 5 days, hills, rain and blisters featured, but it was a glorious day when we finally descended on Santiago. We headed to the pilgrim Mass that evening and to our delight, the famous Botafumero swung, marking the end of a fantastic day. Before flying home, the group headed to the seaside town of



Finisterre where the famous lighthouse is located and where St James thought he had reached the end of the world. One final group dinner in Santiago brought our time on the Camino trail to an end, but it was only the beginning of the journey of faith together. At the end of September the group is meeting again to check-in on what has happened since and share some tapas together. Thanks to Fr Brendan (chaplain UCD) who also accompanied the group and provided some great songs!



Training sessions took place in September for Confirmation Connect, Laudato Si' Award and Sycamore. However, it is not too late to get started with these important focuses in your parish. All Confirmation Connect materials are available on the Mission & Ministry website and support sessions can be arranged to get the ball rolling for this academic year.

To get a Sycamore group started in the parish or to begin working towards the Laudato Si' Award, you can request all the training materials and a support session to take place on Zoom by emailing natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie



Sycamore

Confirmation Connect

Laudato Si' Award

Camino



#YML

DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

6 Saturdays
10am - 4pm

REGISTER NOW

Dates Schedule



January 11th



February 22nd



March 29th



April 26th



May 17th



June 14th

Reflective practice will include exploring youth culture today, leading prayer & groups, working with teens, organising events, building teams, and using resources, presented with guest speakers.

Who is it for?

- For Young Adults looking to upskill themselves to develop peer-to-peer ministry
- For those who feel called to minister to, and accompany, Youth and Young Adults in their parish
- For those looking to develop a Youth Ministry in their parish



For all queries & to Register email:
natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie

MUSIC NOTES from the LitMus Office



Laudate 2025

The Laudate Festival

(Primary School Liturgical Music Programme) will take place on 28 and 29 January 2025.

This will be one of the first Jubilee Year 2025 events.

Emmanuel 2025

The Emmanuel Team are busy listening and voting for the selection of 18 pieces for next year's concerts at The Helix on **11/12/13 March 2025.**

Funeral Leaders Extra

The latest **4** session course for Funeral Leaders has finished in the **Ballyfermot Partnership**. Work is still going on in **Sandymount** as they explore the call to leadership in prayer at funeral liturgies. If other partnerships are interested in such a course send me a message - pat.odonoghue@dublindiocese.ie



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