

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat

Lay Pastoral Ministry Program - 2024

Level	Course Duration	Cycle	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	✓3 weeks	✓5 weeks	Start Date	15-Jan	4-Mar	8-Apr	27-May	15-Jul	2-Sep
ADULT FORMATION LEADERSHIP									
3	Designing and Implementing Adult Learning and Faith Formation								
3	Facilitating Adult Learning and Faith Formation								
3	Foundations and Vision for Adult Learning and Faith Formation								
3	Leadership Roles and Skills for Adult Learning and Faith Formation								
3	Many Faces of Adult Learners								
3	Parish as a Learning Community (AFL 2)								
3	Spirituality in Adult Learning and Faith Formation								
CATECHESIS									
1	Basic Catechist Formation 1.1 (Catechesis is...)								
1	Basic Catechist Formation 1.2 (Vocation of the Catechist)								
1	Basic Catechist Formation 1.3: The Human Development and								
3	Designing a Parish Catechetical Plan								
1	Directory for Catechesis: A General Overview and Reflection								
2	Directory for Catechesis: In Depth Review and Study								
2	Emotional Intelligence and Its Impact on Faith Formation								
2	Evangelization and Discipleship								
1	Faith and Human Development								
2	Our Hearts Were Burning								
3	RCIA: A Process of Conversion, Catechesis and Community								
2	Roman Catholic Catechesis for Faith Formation								
1	Understanding Culture in Ministry: Building Bridges								
3	Vocation, Spirituality and Discipleship of Catechists								
CATHOLIC DOCTRINE									
3	An Introduction to Catholic Doctrine on the Blessed Virgin Mary								
1	Catholic Beliefs								
2	Christology								
1	Images of Jesus								
1	Introduction to Christian Morality								
3	Mary in Scripture and Tradition								
2	Study of The Joy of the Gospel (Evangelii Gaudium)								
2	Survey of Catholic Doctrine								
1	Theological Reflection: Key to Connecting Faith and Life								
CHURCH HISTORY									
1	Church History 1								
1	Church History 2								
ECCLESIOLOGY									
1	Ecclesiology: A Theological, Historical and Pastoral Summary								
2	Ecclesiology: Beginnings of the Church								
2	Ecclesiology: Pilgrim Church								
2	Ecclesiology: Reframing Church								
2	Ecumenism and Parish Life								

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FOUNDATION FOR LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY									
2	Administration in Ministry								✓
2	Collaboration and Community								✓
2	Communication and Community							✓	
2	Leadership in Ministry							✓	
2	Pastoral Approach to Culture						✓		
2	Vocation to Ministry					✓			
LITURGY, SACRAMENTS, PRAYER									
1	Advent: A Holy Waiting								
1	Foundations for Liturgy		✓				✓		✓
2	Introduction to Liturgy		✓					✓	
2	Introduction to Prayer		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	Introduction to the Sacraments of Initiation				✓			✓	
1	Liturgical Books				✓			✓	
2	Marianist Studies: Prayer							✓	
1	Music in Liturgy		✓					✓	
2	On Bended Knee			✓				✓	
2	Praying with Children				✓		✓		
1	Permanent Deacons: Discerning a Call to Holy Orders				✓			✓	
1	Sacraments		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	The Mass		✓				✓	✓	
MORALITY									
1	Catholic Teaching on Chastity, Family Life, & Human Sexuality Education				✓				✓
1	Conscience				✓	✓	✓		✓
2	Echoes of Racism: Whispers of Healing			✓				✓	
2	Introduction to Practical Morality		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SCRIPTURE									
1	Bible Basics		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Galatians				✓				
2	Introduction to Paul's Life and Letters		✓			✓			
1	Introduction to Scripture		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	New Testament		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	Old Testament		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Old Testament Literature and Theology						✓		
1	Panorama of the Old Testament					✓			
2	Prophets							✓	
3	Scripture and Justice				✓				
3	Scripture, the Soul of Mariology				✓				
SOCIAL JUSTICE									
3	Advanced Catholic Social Teaching		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	History of Catholic Social Action					✓			
3	Poverty in the U.S. and Around the World						✓		
2	Romero: Pastor, Prophet, Martyr and Saint			✓					
2	Survey of Catholic Social Teaching					✓			

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SPECIAL NEEDS										
3	Autism in Faith Formation							✓		
3	Bioethical Issues, Including Care for the Aging and Support for Families									✓
2	Chronic Illness: Mental Illness, Grief, Trauma Support and Counseling		✓					✓		
3	Creative Methodologies: ADHD in Parish Life - Pastoral Implications						✓			
1	Disabilities in Parish Life: An Overview		✓							
2	Disability across the Life Span: Prenatal Diagnosis - End of Life Care				✓					
1	Faith Formation for Adults with Special Needs								✓	
1	Fundamentals in Deaf Faith Formation Methodologies				✓					
2	Moral Injury: When Our Pain Blocks God's Joy						✓			
2	Veteran and Military Family Outreach				✓				✓	
SPIRITUALITY										
1	Angels in the Bible			✓			✓		✓	
1	Images of Mary			✓				✓		
1	Let This Be the Time: Spiritual Essentials for Life's Second Act			✓					✓	
1	Mercy			✓						✓
2	On the Call to Holiness (Gaudete Et Exsultate)				✓				✓	
1	Praying with Creative Arts: Poetry			✓						
1	Spirituality of the Missionary Disciple			✓					✓	
2	The Parish Nurse as Counsellor and Spiritual Companion		✓					✓		✓
2	The Parish Nurse: Facilitating Wholistic Health Through the Lifespan									✓
YOUTH MINISTRY										
2	A Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry							✓		
2	Planning Youth Ministry Events				✓					✓
2	Prayer and Worship with Adolescents									✓
2	Principles for Addressing Diversity Issues in Youth Ministry		✓					✓		
2	Relational Ministry with Youth							✓		
OTHER										
2	Bereavement Ministry: A Christian Perspective							✓		
2	Catholic Identity and Culture			✓				✓		✓
2	Catechetical Methodology		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	Introduction to Pastoral Care				✓					
2	Ministry Leadership in the Church Today			✓					✓	
2	Summary of Catholic Social Teaching			✓						✓
3	Who is Mary of Nazareth, and Why Should We Care?		✓							
1	BASIC level would be for someone who has no or limited knowledge of the subject, or is looking for a refresher on the topic									
2	INTERMEDIATE level would assume knowledge of the topics covered in the basic level.									
3	ADVANCED level would require good exposure to all the basic topics and the desire for a much more academically rigorous study of the topic.									

Students should expect to put in approximately five hours of work for each week of any course.
(eg. 5 week course = 25 clock hours)