

*"The CPM program taught me how to sustain the rhythm of compassion, to explore my faith, to question, to reflect and to commune with our Triune God. As one of God's instruments, I bring my faith and love to life in bereavement Ministry."*

Denise O'Neill,  
BA, RECE C, CPM Graduate 2010.



Graduation Mass, Class of 2010

*"The Church's mission  
of salvation in the world  
is realized  
not only by the ministers  
in virtue of the Sacrament of Orders  
but also by all the lay faithful;  
indeed, because of their Baptismal state  
and their specific vocation,  
in the measure proper to each person,  
the lay faithful participate  
in the priestly, prophetic, and kingly  
mission of Christ."*

*Christifideles Laici,  
On the Vocation and Mission of the Lay Faithful, 23*

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## CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY

*The gifts he gave were...to equip  
the saints for the work of ministry,  
for building up the body of Christ,  
until all of us come to the unity  
of the faith and of the knowledge  
of the Son of God, to maturity, to the  
measure of the full stature of Christ.*

Ephesians 4:11-13

## Certificate in Pastoral Ministry

This three-year program is designed to educate and form the laity in ways which will foster and enrich their service in the Roman Catholic Church.

Participants enjoy the benefits of an extended learning community, studying with candidates for the Permanent Diaconate, and their spouses. They receive sound human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral formation.

Students are required to attend and participate in classes one Saturday a month from September to June for three years, plus two formation Saturdays each year. Written assignments are required following each Saturday session. Two reading course assignments must be completed each year.

As part of ongoing spiritual formation, students are required to have a spiritual director and to participate in the yearly Day of Reflection.

### Saturday Formation Component

Each Saturday, students participate in sharing sessions that compliment and enhance all four aspects of formation: human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral.

### Parish Placements

Students will be required to do one parish placement per year. By the end of the program they will have had experience in three ministry areas: Sacramental Preparation, Outreach Ministry and RCIA.

## Saturday Themes

### YEAR ONE

#### Theological Foundations

- ✠ Call: From the perspective of Baptism and Ministry
- ✠ Spirituality & Discernment
- ✠ Mystery of God
- ✠ Mystery of Christ
- ✠ Mystery of the Church
- ✠ Scripture in the Church
- ✠ Liturgical Principles I
- ✠ Social Justice
- ✠ Introduction to Moral Theology
- ✠ Day of Reflection

### YEAR TWO

#### Scripture

- ✠ Old Testament Foundations
- ✠ Pentateuch
- ✠ Prophets
- ✠ Wisdom and Psalms
- ✠ Matthew & Mark
- ✠ Luke & Acts
- ✠ John
- ✠ The Letters of Paul
- ✠ Revelation
- ✠ Day of Reflection

## Saturday Themes

### YEAR THREE

#### Foundations for Ministry

- ✠ Mission, Solidarity and Spirituality
- ✠ Sacraments of Initiation I
- ✠ Sacraments of Initiation II
- ✠ Liturgical Principles II
- ✠ Sacraments of Healing
- ✠ Sacrament of Marriage
- ✠ Introduction to Canon Law
- ✠ Church History
- ✠ Interreligious Dialogue
- ✠ Day of Reflection

#### NOTE:

While the focus will remain consistent in each of the three years, the topics and sequence may vary.

### Program Fees

- \$2000 per year (Includes reading material). Fees are subject to change.
- Fees may be paid in two installments of \$1000 at the beginning of each semester: September and January.
- All fees are payable to the Institute for Catholic Formation.

**Sept. 2011—June 2014 Cycle**

**Application Deadline: June 15, 2011**