

## DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF:

The Mass (liturgy)  
Ministry  
Prayer and Spirituality  
Scripture  
Theology  
Conscience Formation  
Social Justice  
Christ-centered Leadership

## DEMONSTRATE YOUR LEADERSHIP THROUGH:

Projects  
Communal Prayer

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
One Saturday per month **Place:** Reno;  
although several of the winter months it  
may be 'zoomed' to St Joseph's in Elko if  
there is a need  
**Meals:** Lunch is provided



*"Bringing new life to the mission  
of your Church here in Northern  
Nevada"*

*Diocese of Reno, Synod 2015 prayer*

*We need laypeople who are formed well,  
animated by a clear and sincere faith, whose  
lives have been touched by a personal and  
merciful encounter with the love of Jesus  
Christ. We need laypeople who take risks,  
who soil their hands, who are not afraid of  
making mistakes, who move forward. We  
need laypeople with a vision of the future,  
who are not enclosed in the petty things of  
life. And we need laypeople with a taste of  
the experience of life, who dare to dream.*  
Pope Francis



### Office of Lay Ministry Formation

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Reno, NV 89501-1713 **Applications:**

<https://renodiocese.org/home/ourworks/laministry-leadership-development>

# Lay Ministry Formation & Leadership Program



2020-2021

*A ten-month process for those  
already serving in ministry  
who desire **more** formation*

*And he gave some as apostles, others as  
prophets, others as... teachers, to equip  
the holy ones for the work of ministry, for  
building up the body of Christ Ephesians  
4:11-12*

## Requirements for Eligibility

1. Adult, 24 years of age or older
2. Be a practicing Roman Catholic for three consecutive years or more
3. Be active in church ministry for at least one year
4. Be endorsed by your pastor
5. Be in appropriate physical and mental health
6. Possess an eagerness for spiritual formation
7. Be open to, and interested in, contemporary expressions in theology
8. Have sufficient time for formation and ministry
9. Possess the desire and capacity for growth, education, and a deeper understanding of ministry
10. Possess reading and writing abilities in order to participate fully in the academic program
11. Be baptized; confirmed; First Communion
12. Be cleared through the diocesan Background Check form
13. Have already taken the Protecting God's Children Awareness Session and begun the bulletins

***Participants are willing to be leaders: inviting, encouraging, and teaching others to serve***

### Spiritual Formation for:

Catechists  
Catholic School Administrators  
Catholic School Teachers  
Directors of Religious Education  
Liturgical Ministers  
Parish Council Members  
Parish Staff  
Prison Ministers  
RCIA Teams  
School Board Members  
Youth Ministers  
Others in Ministry



### Application Process Includes:

1. **Thoughtful, prayerful** completion of Application Form
2. Letter of Recommendation from a Co-minister (using form provided)
3. Letter of Endorsement from your pastor ([we contact the pastors](#))
4. Decision of the L.M.F.L. Director and others
5. Beginning January 21 you may download the forms:

<https://renodiocese.org/home/ourworks/lay-ministry-leadership-development>

6. **Applications are due Monday, April 27**

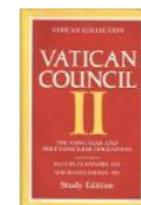
*“The Church needs a well-educated, inquiring, and vocal laity if the new evangelization is to achieve its full potential.”*

*Called and Gifted for the Third Millennium, 1995*

### Costs

\$450 per year plus books

- Costs may be paid by the individual or by the parish (as determined by each parish)
- \$150 of the \$450 will be due before the first class and is non-refundable
- Some financial aid may be available



*“The Church is established fully live, nor is sign of Christ people, unless laity worthy of the name, working alongside the hierarchy. For the Gospel cannot be deeply imprinted on the mentality, life and work of any people without the active presence of lay people.” Ad Gentes, #21*

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