

## MISSION & MINISTRY MATTERS

## A note from the Director...

Dear Friends,

As we move towards the feast of Pentecost it is a time when many parishes are celebrating family sacraments. This highlights once more how important it is in this change of era for us all to learn how to Accompany Families well.

We are offering an opportunity for sacramental teams to gather on the 13th May to reflect on pastoral planning for the year ahead and explore how to unpack our Archdiocesan Sacramental Policy Accompanying Families. You will find the poster inside to register, just click the email and it will direct you to registration.

Other opportunities are also available for training catechists and a new cycle of formation beginning in September, places are filling rapidly and we will be closing registrations at the end of May. You can also register for our Catechists Conference on the 15th June.

Pathways graduation takes place this year at DCU on the 23rd May. This will be Sr Eileen's final time as she moves on from her role. She has done amazing work in building up this programme and so many people have grown in their faith and confidence as a result. We wish her a very happy retirement. Peter Siney who has a role in supporting Adult Faith will take over as Course Coordinator, continuing this transformative programme in the diocese.

For those who are taking part in the Summer Camino preparation continues on the 25th May. If your parish is interested in the Laudato Si' Award Information Session please register as soon as possible with Natalie.

Finally, we give thanks for our two new auxiliary bishops Bishop Donal and Bishop Paul, assuring them of all our prayers and support in their new roles. We pray that we can build hope together in a synodal way in the years ahead.

**Patricia** 

## Upcoming Events:

13th May Accompanying Families Workshop

Novena begins

20th May Laudato Si Award Information Session

23rd May
Pathways Graduation
Evening

25th May
Camino Preparation
Walk

15th June Catechists Conference

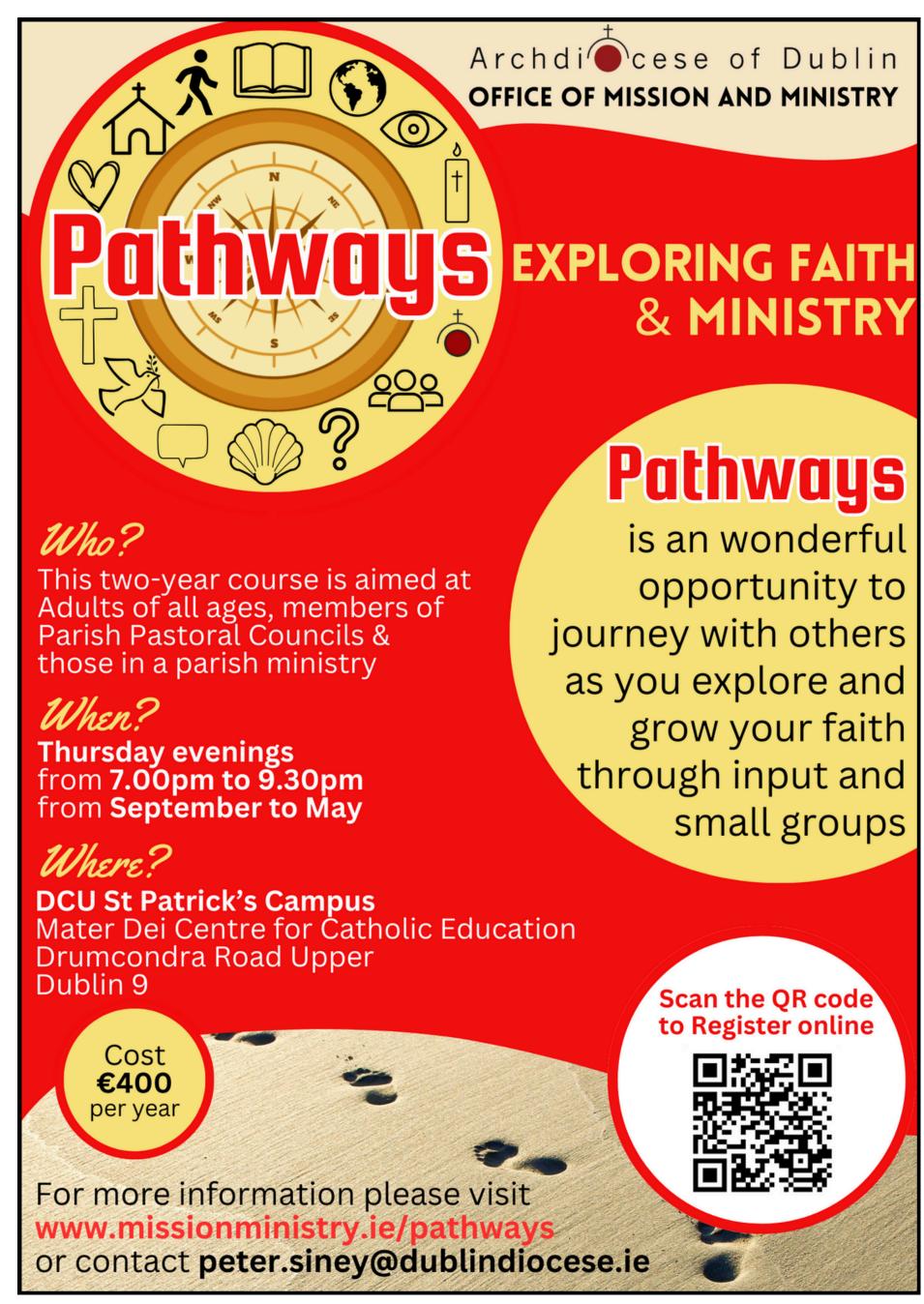
# Adult Faith Ministry



If you've ever said something like this then Pathways could be the course for you!

Over two years there is input and small group sharing on a variety of areas of faith such as scripture, liturgy, sacraments, images of God, ministries, parish, what is church?, Vatican II, care of creation, young people, role of the laity and much more.

The course doesn't have any exams or written work but is a place to meet others on their journey of faith as we explore and grow together.



Applications are now open by completing the online form via the QR code or by visiting the Adult Faith section of our website (or by clicking on the poster above.) Places are limited so don't delay!

To apply, download a poster or for more information please visit **www.missionministry.ie/pathways** or contact **Peter Siney** 



**NEWS FROM THE CURRENT PATHWAYS PROGRAMME**: The month of May is a busy month for all involved in the Pathways Programme. We begin our preparations for our Pathways End of Year Eucharist and Presentation of Certificates which takes place this year on Thursday 23rd May. We endeavour to have 'full, active participation'. We are

hoping to have Archbishop Dermot Farrell with us as our main celebrant for the Eucharist and to present the certificates afterwards. This is always a very enjoyable celebration for our participants and their guests. We will miss all our Second Years as they move onward with their faith journeys. We look forward to welcoming back our First Years, after the summer break, as they begin the second and final year of their programme.

Among the topics covered by our First Years this month is: The Holy Spirit: Gift for the Journey – A very appropriate topic as we approach the Feast of Pentecost and the beginning of the Archdiocesan Novena to the Holy Spirit. Our Second Years have been exploring the whole area of Faith and Justice. They are also engaging with the topic of Myself the Minister and Nourishing the Minister. Both groups will be taking time this month to reflect back, and to share, on their learnings of the past year in Pathways. This happens especially on our Harvesting the Fruits Evening.

Congratulations to those who received the Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis Donnybrook parish on the 21st April.

Registration is now OPEN for a second cycle of training for those who want to receive the Certificate. Visit the Ministries section of our website.

Sacramental Teams can also register for the forthcoming workshop on Accompanying Families. Please use the link on the Accompanying Families section of our website.

will first We host our Catechists Conference in June and registrations are also open for this on the Ministries section of our website.

Places are filling fast. To register simply visit our website

www.missionministry.ie or click on the appropriate poster and it will direct you to the registration form.



#### Seven Saturdays 10am to 4pm

St. Paul's Church Centre for Mission and Ministry 19 Arran Quay DUBLIN 7 D07 KX66

#### Part One: Foundations in **Catechesis**

14th September 19th October 16th November 7th December



#### Who is this for?

- Those who feel called to the ministry of catechist
- Those who are already doing some parish catechesis
- Those who are members of parish sacramental teams - new or old

How much does it cost?

140 Euros for seven modules

#### **Part Two:** Catechesis in **Practice**

18th January 15th February 22nd March



#### **TO REGISTER**

**EMAIL**: patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie



### **ACCOMPANYING FAMILIES** WORKSHOP

**PUTTING POLICY** INTO **PRACTICE** 

#### For Sacramental Teams

- 13th May
- 7.30pm 9pm

Venue

St. Paul's Arran Quay

www.missionministry.ie



REGISTER AT patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie





# Youth & Young Adult Ministry

It is hard to believe that we are in the month of May already. Our Sycamore group is in its last few weeks of gathering on a Tuesday evening. At the moment we are exploring the Sacraments and what it feels to be Baptised, the impact of saying 'Yes' at Confirmation, and reflecting on what it means to receive the Eucharist. Interesting conversations have happened, particularly on how people felt not being able to receive the Eucharist or attend Mass during COVID-19. It has brought about a whole new meaning for many and the privilege we have when receiving. Some of our group will be celebrating the



Sacrament of
Confirmation at
Pentecost and we
wish them well as they
take this next
important step on
their faith journey.

There is much in the pipeline over the coming months. Some of our Camino group had a taste of Spanish weather recently as we headed out on a walk around Howth Head. Our next gathering is on May 25th in Glendalough and is open to anyone to join. Also on offer over the coming weeks is:

- Information Session on the Laudato Si' Award
- Training offered on using **Online Forms** for registration
- Training for parishes/deaneries on using Canva
- Training opportunities for youth/young adult
   Ministers of the Word and Eucharistic Minister
- A new course is coming to equip young adults and those wishing to minister to youth and young adults. The course is still being developed so details to follow.

At the Diocesan pilgrimage to Knock we launched our 'Praying with...' initiative for the Year of Prayer. This will take place in the autumn so keep an eye out for details.



# Laudato Si' Award



The Laudato Si' Award is for youth and young adults who want to live out their Christian calling to protect and care for God's Creation. The award builds from bronze to silver to gold level and can be completed in 3 consecutive years or when the time is right. It integrates and connects young people with the parish community and wider Diocesan family to work together to create an environment of care and protection in parishes.

Following the launch of the Award at the Diocesan Conference, 'Parishes Caring for Creation', the first information session for those interested in working towards the award will take place on <u>Monday, 20th May at 7:30pm</u> <u>on Zoom.</u> Click below to sign up.

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 

CAMINO





Experience the Building Hope
Novena Prayer
Resources at the Monastery of St.
Alphonsus at
8.00p.m.
Reflective music by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group

Join us in person or online at www.rednuns.com

26 May

Episcopal Ordination of Father Donal Roche and welcome to Bishop Paul Dempsey Massed Choirs from Westland Row including the Chinese Community Choir Wicklow Parish Cabinteely Parish **Dublin Diocesan** Music Group Students from Laudate and Emmanuel Programmes

Accompanied by the Cavaillé Coll Organ and Traditional Instruments.
The ceremony will be live -streamed.
Check Diocesan
Website and social media notices

From
the
Litmus
Office

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Keep the music going during the summer using cantors/instrumentalists

Why not invite a visiting group?



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