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LEADING YOUR PARISH IN PRAYER

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The National Centre for Liturgy, in association with St Patrick's College, Maynooth offers a short course for people who wish actively to support the Liturgy and public prayer in their parishes.

This course takes place over 12 weeks between February and May 2020, and is comprised of a number of modules, any combination of which may be taken.

The course meets on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, with modules from 10.00 a.m. -12.00 noon and from 2.00-4.00 p.m. There is a daily Eucharist at 12.05 each day.

Why do this Course

Each of the four modules is designed to meet the needs of people in ordinary Irish parishes in this time of tremendous change for the Church in Ireland. The modules will help participants lead people in prayer, will permit a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist, as well as providing a new sense of the sacraments, and an empowering vision for the future.

Taking the Course

The modules may be taken for credit* or they may be audited by those who want to participate in the modules without the added pressure of assignments. Participants may take any or all the modules.

Module I Leading God's People in Public Prayer

In these changing and challenging pastoral situations in parishes and groups of parishes, the National Centre for Liturgy is committed to resourcing and conversing with faith communities around the country, on how we as Church, might respond to the pastoral challenge of the absence of weekday Eucharist.

The module, Leading God's People in Public Prayer, is designed to introduce participants to weekday gatherings for public prayer in the absence of the celebration of the Eucharist. Through a mixture of input, practical opportunities and reflection, participants will grow in confidence in this role and how it might be introduced in a parish setting.

Module II The Eucharist – Celebration and Theology

This module is designed to introduce participants to the origins, development and theology of the Eucharist. Through a mixture of input, practical opportunities and reflection, participants will grow in confidence in their knowledge and understanding of the Eucharist and its celebration.

Module III What is a Sacrament?

Taking the official ritual books as a starting point and set on foundations of sacramental theology, this module sets out to offer participants an overview of Christian Marriage; penitential conversion; the pastoral-liturgical care of the Sick and Dying, and the *Order of Funerals*.

Module IV Liturgy and the Future of our Parishes

This module looks to equip participants to provide and advocate for leadership in the liturgy according to the fullest expanse of established norms of the Church, and according to the needs of evangelisation and re-membering in their parish communities.

*Taking the Course for Credit

The modules may be taken as part of the one-year Diploma and Higher Diploma in Pastoral Liturgy offered by the National Centre for Liturgy. This programme offers candidates the opportunity to study liturgy under its theological, historical, spiritual and pastoral aspects.

Costs

For those who wish to participate in the course, each module costs €250. For those who wish to take the Diploma or Higher Diploma the costs are set by the Pontifical University. For a schedule of fees and grants contact admissions@spcm.ie or 01-7084772.

When

Modules begin on Tuesday, 4 February 2020 and Wednesday, 5 February 2020.

