

Ministry and Vocation

A Sacramental Way of Life

Ministry

- means “_____”
 - Minister: _____
- is: the public service done by all members of the Church in Christ’s name
- is: all the ways in which Christ’s Gospel is made present in the world
- is: humble, dedicated, selfless service
- Who is called to serve? _____ (by virtue of their Baptism and Confirmation)

Ministry

- 3 aspects of ministry:
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
- What is required for ministry?
 - Grace!
- What is ministry based on?
 - Our _____ and **solidarity** in the Church

Vocation

- is: the committed state of life that God calls us to
- is: how we live out God's call
- is: based upon our unique gifts and talents
- fosters interdependence in our faith community
- is: _____
it is a way of life – living for the Kingdom of God

Discernment

- is: the _____ in which we attempt to discover our vocational callings
- It involves:
 - exploring opportunities; study the lives of the Saints
 - using Scripture and Church teaching
 - assessing needs (of the Church and world) and abilities (yours)
 - Prayer! Prayer! Prayer!

Forms of Ministry in the Church

- Laity – baptized members of the Church that are _____ and _____
 - married or single
 - share in Christ's roles as priest, prophet and king
 - assist in liturgy, parish life, teaching
- _____ – baptized members of the Church that take formal vows and live in religious communities (some exceptions)
 - single
 - chastity, poverty, obedience
 - _____: particular spiritual gift or calling that is the community's mission: teaching, service to the poor, healthcare, missionary work, prayer, etc.
 - CSFN Charism

Forms of Ministry in the Church

- _____: baptized members of the Church that are ordained through the Sacrament of _____; leaders in teaching, worship and governance
 - single (celibacy); permanent deacon may be married
 - dedicated to serving the faith community
- “Levels” of clergy
 - _____
 - Successor of the Apostles
 - Local leader (pope is universal leader)
 - Authoritative teacher of the faith
 - _____ (diocesan or vowed religious)
 - Assist bishop
 - Preach the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments
 - _____
 - Assist bishop and priest
 - Assist in liturgy, bless marriages, preach the Gospel, preside at baptisms and funerals