

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Diocese currently offers programs for certificates as catechetical leader, as family advocates, as parish social ministers, as youth ministers, and also in pastoral liturgy and music.

Accreditation and degree courses in theology, pastoral studies, continuing education are available from the University of St. Thomas.



*"Don't ever believe that a small group of dedicated individuals cannot change the world. . . these are the **only ones** who have ever changed the world!" (Margaret Mead)*

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Make A Difference

BE A LAY MINISTER
OF THE CHURCH



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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
ADULT FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

...in the church today as a lay minister.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit received in baptism and confirmation enable one to share in some form of ministry.

A lay minister is one who responds to a call or invitation to participate in the ministry and who has prepared through a process of prayerful discernment.

The American bishops have defined lay ministry as *“a broad category, including paid and volunteer persons who have been given a formal, public role in ministry and have responsibility for a particular area of ministry.”* (USCCB, Apr. 2002)



BE A PARISH LEADER...

- ◆ Share your love of the Eucharist and help your parish worship come alive as a liturgical ministry leader.
- ◆ Bring your faith and the Eucharist to the sick and confined as a health care ministry leader.
- ◆ Assist young people to experience the excitement of following Christ as a youth ministry leader.



- ◆ Assist children and adults to grow and develop in the life of our faith as a Christian education ministry leader.
- ◆ Coordinate the teaching mission of your community as a catechetical leader.

“God gives that gift of prophetic ministry to every member of the church.” (Bishop Raymond A. Lucker)

“Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'” (Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

TRAINING AND EDUCATION...

- A leader is one who has received the necessary formation, education, and training to function competently in the given area of ministry.
- Train for a full time career or for auxiliary service to your community.
- Learn more about courses and programs offered.

