## Formation for Christian Service

Formation for Christian Service is a collaborative effort of the Pastoral Ministries Division of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

## **Our Goal**

To assist the parishes of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe in providing opportunities for THEOLOGICAL and SPIRITUAL FORMATION and SKILLS FOR MINISTRY for all adult Catholics, especially those involved in some aspect of ecclesial ministry or Christian service in the world.

There are five levels of Formation. At the completion of each of the first three levels, the Archdiocese of Santa Fe grants a Certificate of Participation for the appropriate level.

- BASIC LEVEL FORMATION
- ♣ INTENSIVE LEVEL FORMATION
- ADVANCED LEVEL FORMATION
- ♣ ONGOING FORMATION
- GRADUATE STUDIES
  - Completion of the Basic Level is desired for everyone ministering in the parish, Catholic School, or other Church- related agency.
  - Completion of both the Basic and Advanced and/or Intensive Levels or equivalent is expected of anyone serving in a leadership role in a parish ministry.
  - Ongoing Formation is expected of those who have completed the Basic and/or Advanced Level, and who wish to continue in ministry, to continually update their learning and formation for ministry.
  - **Video-Assisted Study** is available, using the wide variety of videos that may be borrowed from the Ministry Resource Center.
  - On-line Learning, through courses offered online by Catholic institutions, provides an alternative mode of studying the Catholic Faith. On-line courses from approved institutions may be taken for credit and applied to diocesan certification.
  - Graduate Studies may be required for certain full time professional ministry positions in parishes, Catholic Schools, or other church-related agencies or institutions.