DIOCESE OF TUCSON LEVEL II MINISTRY CERTIFICATION

OVERALL GOALS

CONTENT:

Provide a curriculum that advances participants' foundational theological, spiritual, and sacramental understandings gained in Level I.

Invite participants to demonstrate a working knowledge of principles related to liturgy and sacraments, ecciesiology and culture, Scripture and morality. This will be achieved by completing written papers and practical, parish/school projects suitable for use by ministers like themselves.

Enhance participants' self-understanding by exposing them to an integrative, process-oriented approach to human growth and spiritual maturity relevant to church leaders.

SPIRITUALITY

Deepen the participants' ability to discern the movement of God's grace in their lives by engaging them in theological reflection exercises and the practice of regular spiritual direction.

Heighten participants' ability to communicate with God alone and with others by practicing various forms of prayer and discovering ones that most reflect their personality, temperament, and lifestyle.

Foster an appreciation of each person's call to ministry by helping them trace the spiritual, relational, psychological and ministerial stepping stones that led them to this stage of formation and describing what will be necessary for them to continue growing.

ECCLESIAL MINISTRY AND PERSONAL GROWTH

Widen participants' self-knowledge by examining their fears, growing edges, gifts of nature and grace, and methods of dealing with conflict.

Strengthen each participant's ability to communicate information and feelings clearly and listen to themselves and others in various pastoral settings.

Broaden participants' exposure to people of various persuasions and lifestyles who represent populations they will serve in church work.

Give participants an opportunity to practice skills that will strengthen servant leadership.