



# APPLICATION for ADMISSION Lay Ecclesial Ministry Formation Program 2024-2028

*Under the direction of the Bishop of Salt Lake City, the Office of Religious Education offers a Lay Ecclesial Ministry Formation Program grounded in our baptismal call and faithful to the tradition of the Catholic Church. Based upon “Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord” (USCCB, 2005), the program’s primary purpose is to prepare and develop leaders through formation that integrates spiritual, intellectual, human, and pastoral dimensions for the building up of the Body of Christ and the saving mission of the Church.*

*"Lay persons who devote themselves permanently or temporarily to some special service of the Church are obliged to acquire the appropriate formation which is required to fulfill their function properly and to carry it out conscientiously, zealously, and diligently." -Code of Canon Law, Canon 231*

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, Town, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers: Daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of the Catholic Church? \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Years Married \_\_\_\_\_ If divorced, have you received a final divorce decree(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

If divorced, have you initiated or completed the Church's process of invalidity of marriage? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Do you have children? \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Child**

**Age**

Name of Child	Age

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Are you a primary caregiver for a family member or for someone other than your children? Yes\_\_No\_\_ ( If yes, Please explain)

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Have you discussed your application with your family, and are they supportive? \_\_\_\_\_

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### *HEALTH ISSUES*

Do you have any chronic mental or physical health problems that might affect your participation in this program? Yes\_\_ No\_\_ ( If yes, please explain.)

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Have you completed and passed the Diocesan Safe Environment Background check? \_\_\_\_\_

Parish and year completed \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you studied the calendar of events required for participants in the LEM Formation Program for 2015-2019 Yes\_\_ No\_\_

Are you willing to commit sufficient time to complete the activities required for participants in the Program? \_\_\_\_\_

### *SPONSORING PARISH/INSTITUTION INFORMATION*

Name of Parish/Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pastor/Director \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a fully-initiated (Confirmed) member of the Catholic Church? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

How long have you been a member of the Catholic Church? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of this parish? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity have you participated in ministries in your parish?

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List the ministries of service in your current or past parish or Catholic institution experience:

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Are you employed by a Church parish, school or other Catholic institution? If yes, in what capacity and how long have you worked there?

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What languages do you speak and/or write fluently?

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Have you served in the military? \_\_\_\_\_ Dates and branch of service \_\_\_\_\_

Have you met with the pastor regarding your application? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Does the pastor/(Catholic institution supervisor) support your application? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Will your parish or Catholic institution be assisting you with financial support for the LEM Program?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Do you understand that the candidacy, admission, and/or completion of the LEM program are not a guarantee of future employment?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

### *EMPLOYMENT HISTORY*

Describe your work experience. Describe your present occupation: (Attach resume if appropriate.)

Company	Location	Year s	Position Held	Reason for leaving



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God's call often comes to a person through others. Is there a person or persons who called you into ministry? How did that call come about? How did the person(s) help you in your discernment process?

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How would you describe your spiritual practice at this time? Do you have particular habits of prayer that you practice? Do you see a spiritual director? Do you belong to a prayer group or religious order? (For example, the Third Order Franciscans or lay Dominicans)

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Is there anything else that you feel the admissions committee should know in order to assess your qualifications and call to lay ecclesial ministry or to the diaconate?

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# Spiritual Autobiography

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After reflection, what is your present understanding of key moments in your life that have led you to feel and respond to a call to service on behalf of God's people? Please share some of the spiritual milestones that have brought you to the point of applying for this program. (No more than three pages.)





Applicant Signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_



Please attach a recent photo in the space above.

Return this completed application by **May 30, 2023** to:



**Diocese of Salt Lake City**

**Office of Faith Formation: Susan Cook Northway, Director**

**27 C Street**

**Salt Lake City, UT 84103**