

What Pastors say...

"This archdiocesan program (*Called & Gifted*) is an untapped treasure... "
Pastor Vicariate V

"A key factor in the growth & vitality of a parish is the formation of lay leaders to assist in ministry. "
Pastor Vicariate III

"...target those who would benefit most from this time of study—and who would benefit the parish in return. "
Pastor Vicariate V

What graduates say...

"The Lay Ministry program continues to be the most...enlightening educational and formational experience of my life. I look back on it with unmitigated pleasure, both for what I learned, and for the people I met. "
Participant Vicariate II

"Now when my pastor asks me for help, I feel competent and confident to respond. I owe this to *Called & Gifted* . " **Participant** Vicariate II

"*Called & Gifted* left a mark on me that will endure the rest of my life."
Participant Vicariate II

Information Night: USML Thursday, 7:00 March 29, 2007

Directions: call Michelle Lundborg 847-837-4554

**Would you like to do more
to deepen your faith?**

**Are you wondering
what your next step should be
in your walk with the lord?**

Could this be what you're looking for. . .

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.'"
Matt.9:37

Is God tapping YOU on the shoulder ...inviting you ...

To study Scripture so God's word becomes "a lamp unto your feet?"

To learn about the rich history of the Catholic Church?

To acquire a deeper understanding and appreciation of Catholic liturgy and Sacraments?

To deepen your commitment to Discipleship and your understanding of who Jesus is?



To experience faith formation with others who share your faith and your desire to do more in the parish?

If the Spirit's movement in your life is calling you to consider doing more to grow in your faith and to strengthen your gifts for ministry **WE WANT TO HELP!**



If you don't answer God's call...

Called & Gifted is a two-year formation program for parish volunteers.

It is geared to people who want to learn more about their faith and to deepen their prayer life. This *certificate* program provides weekly academic courses at three sites in the Archdiocese.

Courses include *Scripture, Church History, Sacraments, Christology, Peace & Justice*, and much MORE!

Once a month, participants spend a day in formation activities at Mundelein Seminary. Visit our web site at:

www.USML.edu/LayMinistry or CALL us: 847-837-4554

Look over the enclosed brochure, and if you feel excitement and sense this could be a way to do something for yourself as well as for your parish, then talk to us about the program. It would be a great privilege to welcome you and walk with you through your two years of learning and growth.

...Who will?

**Whose life could you transform by accepting an invitation to ministry formation?
How would your parish change if it were leavened by more people of deep faith?**

The Kingdom of Heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened.

Matt13:33