

Shape Our Future

# Support Lay Ministry

When introducing the Lay Ministry Collection, you might ask someone in ministry to read from Archbishop Farrell's letter highlighting this text.

'In the past year, we can point to green shoots emerging through efforts associated with our Building Hope initiative. The Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis, provided by the Office for Mission and Ministry, is a good example. Announced last May, it has been a real success. This in-demand programme examines the vocation and mission of the participants

inspired to share their faith. It gives them the tools to assist others on their faith journey.

I ask for your generous support for the Lay Ministry Collection. Your contributions are vital in sustaining and expanding these initiatives, ensuring our Church remains a vibrant beacon of hope and faith in the world.'

# Suggested Prayer of the Faithful

**For your prayer of  
the faithful you might  
wish to use these  
prayers on the day.**

We pray for a renewed sense of our Baptism; that we may be always be inspired by the Spirit to share our giftedness with generosity. Lord, hear us.

**Response:** Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those in ministry in our parish; that their service to our community will inspire others and enable us to continue growing as God's people. Lord, hear us.

**Response:** Lord, graciously hear us.

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