**Diocese of Waterford & Lismore Ministry of Catechist Application Form**

***Deadline: 5 November 2021***

**Please complete all sections using additional pages if necessary**

**Section 1: Personal Details**

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| Full Name: |  |
| Phone / mobile number: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Address: |  |
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| Parish: |  |
| Name of Parish Priest: |  |

**Section 2: Employment and other experience**

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| Please include details of any paid/voluntary work or any other life experience that you feel is relevant to the role of parish catechist. |
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**Section 3: Education and Qualifications**

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| Name of college or organisation, dates attended, title of qualification and relevance of course content to this ministry, if any. |
| *College / Organisation* | *Dates* | *Qualification Gained* | *Relevant to ministry (if any)* |
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**Section 4: Other skills/relevant information**

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| Please give details of gifts and skills you possess that would benefit you as a parish catechist e.g. music, graphic design, art, IT, social media, public speaking etc. Include any specific resources or programmes you have experience of, either as a participant or as programme co-coordinator (Alpha, Sycamore, Evangelium, Life in the Spirit, Bible Studies etc) |
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**Section 5: Your own faith journey and prayer life**

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| 1. Please share some of your own personal faith journey and how you have come to know Jesus in a more personal way
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| 1. Please describe your prayer life and spirituality
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| 1. What has the Lord been doing in your life that is leading you to believe He might be calling you to the Ministry of Catechist?
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**Section 6: Active involvement in the spiritual / sacramental life of the Catholic Church at school or parish level or through a Catholic organisation, if any.**

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**Section 7: Is there a particular age group or group of people you would like to work with?**

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| **Please tick all that apply** [ ]  Sacramental preparation (Children)[ ]  Youth Ministry (u18s) [ ]  Young Adult Ministry (18-39) [ ]  Adult Ministry (40+) [ ]  Parents |
| **Outline your experience, if any, working with people of this particular group(s):** |

**Section 8: What do you see as the current challenges facing the Catholic Church in Ireland?**

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**Section 9: Are there areas of Catholic Church teaching that you have difficulty accepting, or with which you do not agree? If so, please give a brief explanation.**

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**Section 10: Outline your thoughts or ideas on the need for lay people in parishes who are responsible for handing on the faith to others, including some reference to the context in Ireland today and in the coming years.**

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**Section 11: Expectations**

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| What do you feel you are most confident or excited about going into this ministry? |
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| What concerns, if any, do you have going into this ministry? |
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**Section 12: References**

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| Please give the name and address of TWO REFEREES with knowledge of your skills and experience relevant to this post. (Not family members) |
| **Referee 1** |
| **Name:** |  |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Contact Number:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Occupation / Role:** |  |

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| **Referee 2** |
| **Name:** |  |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Contact Number:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Occupation / Role:** |  |

**Section 13: GDPR consent for on-going contact**

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| ***Please tick the box to confirm the following:***[ ]  I consent to the storage of my personal data as required for this catechist selection process |

**Section 14: Declaration**

***I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information recorded in this application is true.***

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for Application Process is 5th November, 2021. Return by email to** **emma.sisk@waterfordlismore.ie** **or post to: Emma Sisk, Faith Development Officer,**

**St John’s Pastoral Centre, St John’s Hill, Waterford city**