

CALLED & EQUIPPED

ADULT FORMATION PROGRAMME
ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

2027



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY
to dig deeper into your faith, and to learn
how to share it with others?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE
about Church teaching, and what it means for us today?

DO YOU WANT TO SERVE
in your parish community, but feel you
lack the formation and training?

JOIN US

on an exciting journey that offers
personal faith formation and equips you for
ministry and service.



Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington

CALLED & EQUIPPED is a formation programme for lay people in parishes. It is a direct response to the call for formation highlighted in recent synods. The programme will run from February until mid-November each year, starting with the Alpha Course followed by fortnightly evening seminars, five Saturday workshops and a weekend retreat mid-year. A combination of face-to-face and online learning means you can join us, wherever you are in the Archdiocese. The programme includes accompaniment as well as small group dynamics. It is not an academic course, and no qualifications are needed to apply. All you need is an open heart, a willingness to learn and a desire to serve.

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

The programme is based on the premise that ministry and service arise from a life of intentional discipleship. The four main pillars of the programme are:

FORMATION IN FAITH & SPIRITUALITY

Engage in opportunities to deepen your personal relationship with God, and to better understand our Catholic faith.

PASTORAL SKILLS

Learn basic pastoral skills, such as collaborative ministry; synodal listening; safe practices.

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Explore how to build parish community and develop supportive relationships in the context of small faith communities.

EQUIPPING FOR MISSION

Explore your baptismal call to mission & evangelisation, and the challenge to be authentic witnesses in the Aotearoa NZ context.

HEAR IT IN THEIR OWN WORDS...

“An amazing journey of knowledge and deeper spiritual growth. Called & Equipped has deepened my appreciation for the Catholic Church, while drawing me into a more intimate relationship with God. This experience has been a true gift.” (Leon, Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish)

“One of the great joys of the Called & Equipped course is developing friendships/fellowship with other people in our diocese, knowing that we are all on this journey of faith together...” (Helen, Holy Family Parish, Nelson)

“I have really enjoyed learning more about how each of us is called to be a missionary through our baptism, and to have the practical tools, knowledge and support to confidently live out this calling in my parish.” (Eve, St Joseph’s Parish, Levin)

JOIN US!

9TH FEBRUARY - 13TH NOVEMBER 2027

Registration closes on **1 December 2026**. For more information, email Lucienne at **l.hensel@cadw.nz** or call **04 496 1715**.

REFERENCES

Please list two references including at least one from your Parish Pastoral Council / Parish Leadership Team.

Full Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Organisation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Full Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Organisation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

PARISH INVOLVEMENT

Please list the different roles (paid or voluntary) you have or have had in a parish, starting with the most recent:

ROLE	PARISH	YEAR

Current Parish: _____

Parish Priest : _____

Priest's Signature _____

DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE

*I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
I understand that my application may be declined and that this decision is final.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____