

Refreshing our commitment

Ministry Grouping	SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
Ministry	Support for the bereaved in preparing funeral liturgies
What does it involve?	<p>Through referrals from the Parish Priest :Contact relatives of the deceased person as requested to assist them – whether Catholic or non-Catholic on preparations.</p> <p>Liaise between the Parish Priest, PA, Funeral Directors and families to ensure all funeral arrangements are conducted with dignity and at a suitable time.</p> <p>Assist as required by the family and Priest in preparing for the Service/Mass, especially that the necessary ministers will be present.</p> <p>Make arrangements for musicians and appropriate music as required by the deceased's family.</p> <p>Advising the Parish Priest of any visit that is necessary.</p> <p>Follow up after funerals to provide any assistance by directing relatives and friends to bereavement counselling services. <u>Undergo any training that may be provided, e.g. bereavement counselling</u></p>
Gifts required:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Utmost sensitivity and ability to touch people who may be returning to the church▪ General understanding of other faiths or denominations within the Christian faith▪ Discrete and supportive to needs of the deceased's relatives.▪ Well-organised (particularly on time management)
Time required (average)	4 hours a quarter (would encourage to work as a pair to provide cover for one another)
How long would I need to commit for?	Ideally, 3 years with the opportunity to review the role after 6 months.
Location:	Parish office/Church
Responsible to:	Parish Priest/Sacramental Preparation Leader
Key relationships:	Parish Priest, PA, Secretary, Spiritual Direction Leader, Eucharistic Ministers
Support available:	CRUSE, Bereavement counselling, diocesan
DBS check required:	Possibly. Safeguarding Officer to confirm.

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Yes this is for me

I'd like to know more

**Signed
Name**

Contact details

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