



# DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL LITURGY

## OVERVIEW

This course provides practical knowledge, skills and approaches in liturgy for people who take active roles in preparing, leading and coordinating liturgy and liturgical music in parishes or schools. This course is modelled on the Certificate of Pastoral Liturgy previously offered through the Catholic Institute of Sydney.

### CORE UNITS

#### SEMESTER 1 2015

- Building the Liturgical Assembly

#### SEMESTER 2 2015

- Word in the Liturgical Assembly

#### SEMESTER 3 2016

- Eucharist in the Liturgical Assembly

### ELECTIVE UNITS

#### SEMESTER 4 2016 (Choice of one)

- Initiation in the Liturgical Assembly
- Music in the Liturgical Assembly

### ARE YOU?

- **Preparing or Leading** liturgies in your parish or school?
- **Seeking** to deepen your understanding of liturgy and liturgical practice?
- **Called** to coordinate or lead aspects of liturgical life?
- **Involved** as a musician, singer or music leader within your community?
- **Guiding** Christian Initiation (RCIA) within the parish?

### THEN THIS COURSE IS FOR YOU

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This course is part of the following pathway areas:

**GROWING IN  
MINISTRY  
FOR MISSION**



**GROWING IN  
FAITH**

**GROWING IN  
SPIRITUALITY**

**GROWING IN  
LEADERSHIP  
FOR MISSION**



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## HOW WILL THE COURSE BE OFFERED?

### Component 1: Coursework

The course comprises 4 units of 160hrs work. Each unit is completed during one six month semester and includes:

- 3 two day weekend workshops per semester totaling 40hrs.
- 120 hrs reading, reflection, practical work, assessment

The course will be delivered principally by Dr Carmel Pilcher RSJ and Mr Paul Mason.

### Component 2: Additional Sessions

To receive the certificate, students are also asked to undertake:

- Participation in one of the many spiritual reflection opportunities provided by retreat centres within or outside the Diocese during each course year
- A workshop on Work Health & Safety, Working with Children and Volunteers and Inclusive Practices.

## FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Once completed, graduates can effectively take on coordination and leadership roles in the liturgical assembly. Students may wish to undertake further study at academic level through a Bachelor of Theology, potentially receiving prior learning credit points.



## COURSEWORK CONTENT

For Component 1, students must complete the three core units and one elective.

### CORE UNITS

#### SEMESTER 1 • 2015

##### Building the Liturgical Assembly

A general introduction to the liturgy, providing insight into the meaning and implications of current liturgical reforms in the context of the Church's tradition.

#### SEMESTER 2 • 2015

##### Word in the Liturgical Assembly

Designed to give an understanding of the centrality of Scripture in the Church's liturgy and explore the ways in which Scripture is incorporated into worship.

#### SEMESTER 3 • 2016

##### Eucharist in the Liturgical Assembly

Explore the history and development of the Eucharistic celebration. Gain insight and knowledge about the Eucharist – including time, sound and space considerations – and develop practical skills in preparing for Eucharistic celebrations.

### ELECTIVE UNITS

#### SEMESTER 4 • 2016

##### Initiation in the Liturgical Assembly

Beginning with the baptismal themes in the New Testament, the topic explores the Catechumenate during the first five centuries of the Church, its reinstatement after the Second Vatican Council and practical strategies for parish implementation

#### SEMESTER 4 • 2016

##### Music in the Liturgical Assembly

Equips participants with the knowledge and skills to lead pastoral music ministry. The unit explores the practical aspects for implementing music ministry in parish and school liturgical celebrations.