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**A**SSOCIATION

**DIocese OF RALEIGH  
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RALEIGH, NC 27606**

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**I am interested in joining LEMA!**

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Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Time Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parrish: \_\_\_\_\_ Ministry : \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in helping on the following committee: \_\_\_\_\_

You may include the above information in the LEMA membership directory.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

We, professional lay ecclesial ministers of the Diocese of Raleigh, form the Lay Ecclesial Ministers' Association (LEMA) to nurture and celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ and to support us in responding effectively and faithfully to our baptismal call. With complete trust in the Holy Spirit, we seek to further our gifts and talents for ministry, to nurture our personal and professional well-being and growth, to foster community, and to maintain on-going communications.



## **ASSOCIATION GOALS**

- ▶ To include in the Association's membership lay ministers who serve the Diocese of Raleigh in all its ministries and throughout its entire geographical area.
- ▶ To provide communication to the membership which will support networking, build a spirit of community among all lay ministers in the Diocese of Raleigh, and inform them of opportunities for continuing spiritual and pastoral formation.
- ▶ To offer lay ministers needed opportunities for formation and support as determined through input from the membership.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee is elected from the membership at large after nominations have been secured with an eye toward both geographical and ministerial diversity. The Executive Board works in collaboration with the Superintendent for Catholic Education and Formation of the Diocese of Raleigh and the Director of the Office of Lay Ministry Formation.



## **MINISTRY GROUPS**

Ministry Groups provide networking for support and professional growth in particular areas of ministerial service, e.g. music ministry, catechumenal ministry, social ministries. Ministry groups meet regularly as decided by their membership.



## **PURPOSE**

LEMA serves as an umbrella organization through which ministry groups in the Diocese of Raleigh are able to unite for common opportunities for spiritual and professional development or to advocate for and address the common concerns of lay ecclesial ministers

**PLEASE PRAYERFULLY  
CONSIDER SUPPORTING LEMA  
WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP.**

## **STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP**

We invite into membership all those who regard their church-related service, paid or unpaid, as ministry, including but not limited to the following: pastoral administrators and associates, music ministers, faith formation ministers, spiritual directors, parish administrative staff, Catholic Charities staff, diocesan staff, Catholic school personnel, parish nurses, liturgical coordinators, catechumenate directors, campus ministers, and coordinators of diocesan organizations.



## **ASSOCIATION FEE**

There is an annual fee of \$20 for LEMA membership. You are asked to please complete the form on the back, enclose your check or money order, made out to "LEMA" and mail to:

DIocese of Raleigh  
715 Nazareth Street  
Raleigh, NC 27606



*There are different gifts but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord. . . . To each person the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.*