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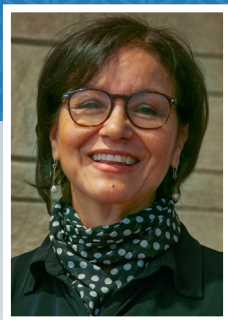
Forming Ministers of God's Love is rooted in the experience of love and acceptance, first in family and then in community. This program provides parents with teachings and inspiration from Scripture to support their own, their spouses', and their children's spiritual development. Parents are invited to regain and deepen their own sense of the meaning of the sacraments in their adult lives.

This two-year program is organized by thematic units and consists of weekly one-hour sessions. Each unit concludes with a celebration session led by the pastor or deacon, prepared by the participants, and focused on some aspect of the liturgy. *Forming Ministers of God's Love* grows out of the belief that by participating actively in a small, supportive community, we experience God's guiding love as we navigate the challenges of daily life. In small-group sessions that are designed as encounters, participants are guided in sharing and learning together to foster dynamic discussions and community-building experiences.

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