

Learn about God's dream for YOU and the Church through:



CALLED AND GIFTED Spiritual Gifts Discernment Program

What is *Called and Gifted*?

Called and Gifted is a process for learning about and discerning the charisms (spiritual gifts) given to us at Baptism and Confirmation to use for the benefit of others.

What does the process involve?

This is a three-part process. Part one introduces the charisms and teaches the basics of discernment. Participants take a charism inventory to identify possible charisms. Part two consists of a personal session with a trained interviewer to choose a charism to discern. Part three provides support in further discernment through a workbook and/or small group sessions.

What does *scripture* say about the charisms?

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in

every one. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”

1 Corinthians 12: 4-7, RSV

What does the *Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church* say about the charisms?

“Whether extraordinary or simple and humble, charisms are graces of the Holy Spirit which directly or indirectly benefit the Church, ordered as they are to her building up, to the good of men, and to the needs of the world.”
CCC 800

What do *participants* have to say about their experience?

"It was just in time. I was new to the parish and overwhelmed by all of the choices of ministries. I needed to make a wise choice, considering my family situation. When I get to a certain point in my discernment, I'll be doing what God wants me to do and better fulfill needs of the parish."

"I saw the notice about the Called and Gifted program soon after I had retired. I was searching for what type of volunteer work was best suited for me, and this seemed to be a way to determine what my gifts were, and where my talents might be best directed. The workbook/CD series was very helpful, as was the small group discussions. The series helped give me some direction and I am now getting involved in some ministries that seemed to be a fit for me."

"With all the ministry opportunities at St Patrick it can be very difficult to know which one(s) is right for you. The "Called and Gifted" program helps you to identify your God-given spiritual gifts so you focus on those ministries where you can be most effective and fulfilled."

What does Called and Gifted *teach*?

- How charisms of the Holy Spirit work in your life and the life of your parish community.
- The five steps to discerning a charism.
- How discerning your charisms can change your life and deepen your relationship with God.
- How discerning your charisms can change the world and help spread the Gospel.
- How discerning your charisms together can help transform and renew our parishes.

Who can benefit from this program?

- ❖ Young adults discerning a vocation.
- ❖ People in transition: empty nesters, those who are changing jobs or facing retirement...
- ❖ Ministry leaders wishing to empower their volunteers.
- ❖ Our parish, community and world – when we put our gifts to work!

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A materials fee is \$20, payable at the first session. More information on the Catherine of Siena Institute Called and Gifted Program is available at www.siena.org.