

# Ministry Formation

*Unfolding charism.*

*Expanding understanding.*

*Deepening unity.*

The Ministry Formation Program is designed to educate and support lay leaders co-ministering with the School Sisters of Notre Dame of the Atlantic-Midwest Province.

Participants will learn about SSND's unfolding charism, mission and educational vision and explore ways to integrate these into their ministry in SSND sponsored ministries, province departments and continuum of care centers.

They will also meet with others who work in similar SSND ministries and have opportunities to nurture their own spiritual lives.

The program serves:

- Board chairs, administrators, and other selected leaders of SSND sponsored ministries;
- Province department directors;
- Administrators of SSND continuum of care centers.

## Components of the Program

### One-on-One Mentoring

Leaders are able to meet one-on-one with a member of the Ministry Services team to explore SSND values, charism, mission and educational vision and how they apply in their places of ministry.

### Ministry Formation Sessions

Together with others in key leadership positions, participants learn more about SSND charism and culture, Catholic social teaching, justice and peace, and spirituality and prayer.

### "Claiming the Fire Within" Retreat

This time is dedicated to deepening SSND themes, communal prayer, quiet reflection, and small-group sharing.

### Heritage Pilgrimage

Visits to significant SSND sites in Bavaria, Vienna, and Rome and meetings with sisters in their places of ministry, provides the pilgrim with a unique, first-hand perspective of SSND's foundations, internationality and ministries.

## Upcoming Sessions:

October 23-24, 2020  
Virtual

March 5-6, 2021  
Villa Assumpta  
Or Virtual

October, 2021 - TBD  
Villa Notre Dame  
Or Virtual

March, 2022 - TBD  
Villa Assumpta  
Or Virtual

## Upcoming Retreats:

\*Proclaiming the Fire Within: June 22-24, 2020

Claiming the Fire Within: June 27-30, 2020

\*Prerequisite - Claiming the Fire Within

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~ Blessed Mary Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger



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