

## What is the programme about?

This course is designed to facilitate the Human, Spiritual and Pastoral Development of participants at a time when there is growing awareness of the importance of collaborative ministry in the Church. The focus of this Certificate in Pastoral Theology is precisely the living relevance of doctrine. It prepares people for ministry through theological reflection, faith formation and participative learning. It is built around those elements which are considered relevant for effective pastoral ministry in contemporary Ireland.

## Who will this course appeal to?

This course would appeal to anyone who would like to expand their knowledge and skills in Religious Education and Theology, and those who would like to know their Christian faith better. On completion they will receive a recognised level 6 (20 credit) Certificate in Pastoral Theology. It will equip participants with the necessary, knowledge, attitudes and understanding for pastoral care in a wide variety of contexts, schools, local communities, youth work, voluntary organisations, adult faith formation groups, family ministry, support groups, parish liturgy groups and parish development groups.

## Course Details

Over the past few years the Institute of Technology Carlow has run a number of valuable courses in Pastoral Ministry at the former St. Peter's College Seminary that have been of real benefit to the people of the Wexford area. This is the second year this course is being run at the Wexford Campus, and will take place over a 18 week period, on Tuesdays and Thursday evenings from 7.00 pm to 9.15 pm at a total cost of €350.

## What Subjects will I study?

- An Introduction to Moral Theology
- Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Introduction to the Theology of God
- Introduction to Sacred Scripture
- The Church: Living Faith Community
- Liturgy and Sacraments
- Pastoral Theology

## How do I apply?

To find out more information on how to apply for entry onto this new programme, please contact the Wexford Campus on 053 9185809. Please note that applicants may be called for an interview and assessed on an individual basis for entry onto the programme. There is no requirement for previous study or academic qualifications. Course commencement date to be confirmed.

“The Cert in Pastoral Theology is a wonderful source of understanding which is both enriching and enlightening. It gives profound insights into who we are as Christians, and how faith is developed and experienced every day.”

**Christopher**

“This course is a must for all those who are interested in journeying into the heart of the faith and in being embraced by its fullness and beauty. I would highly recommend it.”

**Patricia**

“I would highly recommend the Pastoral Theology Course, it is a great way to explore and understand our faith. The course is taught in a comfortable and relaxed atmosphere where strong friendships are formed among the students.”

**Joan**

