

USE OF TRAINING MODULE FOR SPIRITUAL MODERATORS

Process for Training ~~Xlpegvkcp~~ Spiritual Moderator:

It is encouraged to:

Receive approval from the local Association of the Ladies of Charity to which you belong for your desire to take the training for Spiritual Moderator.

Because the spiritual animation of the Ladies of Charity is based on Vincentian spirituality, a Daughter of Charity, Sisters of Charity in the Mother Seton Federation, Vincentian priests or those priests knowledgeable of Vincentian spirituality and work with the Ladies of Charity should be given preference as Spiritual Moderators/Mentors to guide you in your training.

A time table of meetings for minimum six months of training should be worked out between the Spiritual Moderator/Mentor with two meetings per month. Journaling is highly recommended as a tool to reflect together on the information from the training module.

When completing the program, the Spiritual Moderator/Mentor should write a letter to the Local Association of the Ladies of Charity recommending you as a Spiritual Moderator.

Use of the Powerpoint:

- Internet is needed for ‘hyperlinks’ of some documents; others are included in ‘folder of Sr. Frances Retreat.’ When you open the folder, click ‘powerpoint ...Christina .. (new); the other documents will follow in the powerpoint that are hyperlinked on slides.
- A blank ‘Spiritual Journal’ type notebook would be helpful for reflections on the questions, comments on the Vincentian Legacy lives, and the practical details of being a ‘Spiritual Moderator’.

There are 52 slides and they are divided into three major topics:

■ **THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT AND CALL IN VINCENTIAN LAY SPIRITUALITY**

Slides: 1-14: Based on Vatican II, the universal Call of Holiness includes the special call of the laity to the challenge of Vincentian Spirituality. The questions or reflections are used to move you to articulate ‘what does the ‘baptismal covenant and call to Vincentian spirituality mean to you?

■ **VINCENTIAN LEGACY AND THE CALL TO THE LADIES OF CHARITY IN THE 17TH CENTURY**

The Vincentian Legacy and the Ladies of Charity as answering The ‘First Call of St. Vincent de Paul to create a community for Service of the Poor and Vulnerable. Saints and Blesseds in the Vincentian family including five Lives of Ladies of Charity in the 17th century and in America are presented.

Slides 15-40: Little is known of the five lives of the Ladies of Charity, but it is evident they are women who lead the Ladies of Charity to create systems with St. Louise deMarillac, also, a Lady of Charity, for the overwhelming needs of the Poor. What would be your reflection on this Legacy for we stand ‘on the shoulders of giants’ who have gone before us?

■ **THE CALL YOU EXPERIENCED TO BE A XKEGPVKCP SPIRITUAL MODERATOR**

Slides 41-52 examines the role responsibilities of the Spiritual Moderator as well as means and tools suggested for the growth of spiritual animation in your local Association. It includes PDF files regarding the importance of the *spiritual animator function* of the Spiritual Moderator.

■ CONCLUSION OF TRAINING AS A Xkpegvkcp SPIRITUAL MODERATOR

It is recommended that at the conclusion of the training process that you write, in your own prayer, thoughts and words, a ‘Mission Statement’ as you prepare to be a Xkpegvkcp Spiritual Moderator in your local Association

Sharing the ‘Mission Statement’ with your Spiritual Moderator/Mentor, you are ready to be recommended as a Xkpegvkcp Spiritual Moderator for the Ladies of Charity USA.

Returning to the Local Association with the recommendation from your Spiritual Moderator Mentor, there is a ‘Commissioning Service’ welcoming you as a ‘Vincentian Spiritual Moderator’ in the Ladies of Charity (LCUSA-AIC).
