



# **NATHANAEL 2015-2018**

## **A new chapter**

**Lay Faith Formation  
Archdiocese of Saint Boniface**

## **INFORMATION for PASTORS AND PARISH LIFE DIRECTORS**

**NATHANAEL 2015-2018...a new chapter** begins in September 2015 and will run once a month, 10 months of the year, on Saturdays and Sundays, (not live-in) until June 2018.

The program will be held at the Saint Boniface Pastoral Centre for the year 2015-2016. The 2015-2016 Calendar is in your info kit.

### **Themes:**

Year **1**: Personal Conversion  
Year **2**: Called to be Church  
Year **3**: Sent into the World

### **Five main pillars:**

1. Personal Growth
2. Prayer
3. Scripture
4. Church Tradition
5. Missionary Disciples

The Tradition pillar includes the study of Vatican II documents, marriage and the family and pastoral responses to current major ethical questions. The Missionary Disciples' pillar will address the topics of new evangelization, Christian leadership and social justice.

Two to three hours per pillar per month, on the average.

The Eucharist, celebration of the Sacraments and Morning and Evening Prayer will be interwoven into this process and will follow the Liturgical Year.

Anyone may apply for an interview. Our goal is to work with men and women who are sincerely seeking to live their baptismal vocation in the spirit of Vatican II, and whose desire it is to impact the world in which they live, as missionary disciples of Christ.

We encourage the lay leadership of your parish to participate in this faith formation program.

Candidates will be required to attend all weekend sessions every month. We ask the cooperation of each Pastor and Parish Life Director to facilitate this and to not seek the participation of candidates for parish events during the Nathanael weekends.

The yearly cost of the program:

***\$3,000 total per candidate***

\$2,000 paid by Archdiocese per candidate

\$500\*\*for Parish per candidate

\$500\*\* for candidate – includes books and retreat (payment options available)

\*\*Bursaries available

### **What to do next:**

1. The Pastors and Parish Life Directors invite and encourage potential candidates to participate in one of the four *Come & See* (Open Doors):

*Ask questions, receive information, meet the team!*

**BILINGUAL Sunday April 12, 2015 from 1:30 to 4 PM**

Notre-Dame-de-la-Nativité Parish, 402, rue Lachance, Somerset, MB R0G 2L0

**ENGLISH Saturday April 18, 2015 from 1:30 to 4 PM**

St. Emile Parish, 556 St. Anne's Road, Winnipeg, MB R2M 3G4

**EN FRANÇAIS - Samedi 11 avril 2015 de 13 h 30 à 16 h**

Église Saint-Eugène, 1009 chemin Saint Mary's, Winnipeg – Salle Alma-Lafrenière

**EN FRANÇAIS - Dimanche 19 avril 2015 de 13 h 30 à 16 h**

Église Saint-Pierre, 448 rue Joubert, Saint-Pierre-Jolys – Entrée Église Saint-Pierre

*Request for Interview* forms are available in the parish, on line and also at the 4 *Come & See* sessions.

2. Applicants are asked to fill in the *Request for Interview* form. We ask you to sign them.
3. The Nathanael Coordinator will contact you directly to discuss questions about the applicants.
4. Two members of the Nathanael Formation Team will interview each applicant.
5. Applicants, Pastors and Parish Life Directors will receive confirmation of acceptance by June 30, 2015.

The purpose of Nathanael is to help each candidate deepen his or her baptismal vocation to become a disciple in our world today. In the past, several candidates became leaders in their Christian communities. Many also chose to become witnesses of the Gospel among the poor and the neglected, and in the world in which we live.