



NATHANAEL 2015-2018

A new chapter

**Lay Faith Formation
Archdiocese of Saint Boniface**

INFORMATION for PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES

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.

Candidates will be required to attend all weekend sessions every month.

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:

Fill in the *Request for Interview* form.

Forms are available in your parish, online, and at the *Come & See* Sessions.

Obtain your Pastor's or Parish Life Director's signature.

Two members of the Nathanael Formation Team will interview each applicant.

Applicants and 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 missionary 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.