

## MINISTRY OF CARE BASIC TRAINING COURSE

This course is designed with the person in mind who is new to parish ministry. Each session will focus on a particular aspect of the Ministry of Care; however, the unifying thread woven through all is a commitment to helping you develop the skills and confidence needed to be a source of comfort to those who are sick. Completion of this course qualifies you to receive the Archdiocesan mandate to bring Communion to the sick, homebound and hospitalized of your parish.

**DATES:** October 17<sup>th</sup> and October 24<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** Two Saturday Mornings  
8:30 am – 1:00 pm

**PLACE:**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish  
McDonnell Hall (See OLPH Campus Map)  
1772 Glenview Road, Glenview, IL

**PRESENTERS:**

Chaplain Rick Nash  
Ministry of Care Coordinator  
Hospitals and Nursing Homes  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

James Vlazny  
Ministry of Care Coordinator  
Homebound  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

**COST:** \$35.00 per person\*\*  
Payable to: Chaplain Rick Nash  
To register contact your parish  
Ministry of Care Coordinator.

\*\*Includes a copy of: "Handbook for Ministers of Care, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition". \$35 fee is waived for candidates from parishes in Vicariate 1.

## COURSE OUTLINE

**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

### First Session: Pastoral Listening Skills and The Experience of Suffering

We will engage Ministers of Care in regard to active, empathic listening skills and responses to those they visit. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of this session will engage Ministers of Care about their personal experiences of suffering.

### Second Session: Theology of Suffering and Sickness, Will engage Ministers about the Catholic Tradition's teaching about suffering and sickness, and how these experiences influence ministry.

### Third Session: Eucharistic Theology Will engage Ministers of Care with the theological dimension of Holy Communion, with a review of Eucharistic Theology.

**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

### First Session Call to Ministry, Spirituality and Prayer Life of the Minister of Care

Will begin with a discussion of our Call to Ministry as followers of Jesus, as well as to Engage Ministers of Care about their spirituality and prayer life.

### Second Session: Ministerial Procedures: In Hospitals, Nursing Facilities, Homes and Hospice

Will engage Ministers of Care with the practical administration of Holy Communion and with a familiarity with books of ritual, especially Pastoral Care of the Sick. This session includes a review of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Virtus Training for the Protection of Vulnerable Adults.

## Ministry of Care Training - Fall 2026 Saturdays, October 17<sup>th</sup> & October 24<sup>th</sup> Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Ministry of Care Parish Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator's Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Required Fee: \$35.00\***  
**Payable to: Chaplain Rick Nash**

\*Includes a copy of:  
Handbook for Ministers of Care, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition.  
and 2 books by Bishop Robert Barron

Pastor or \_\_\_\_\_

Designee: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send by MAIL or EMAIL to:**

**Chaplain Rick Nash  
1215 Pine Street  
Glenview, IL 60025**

**Email: [rick.nash@comcast.net](mailto:rick.nash@comcast.net)**

**Phone: 847-651-8718**

### Our Prayer:

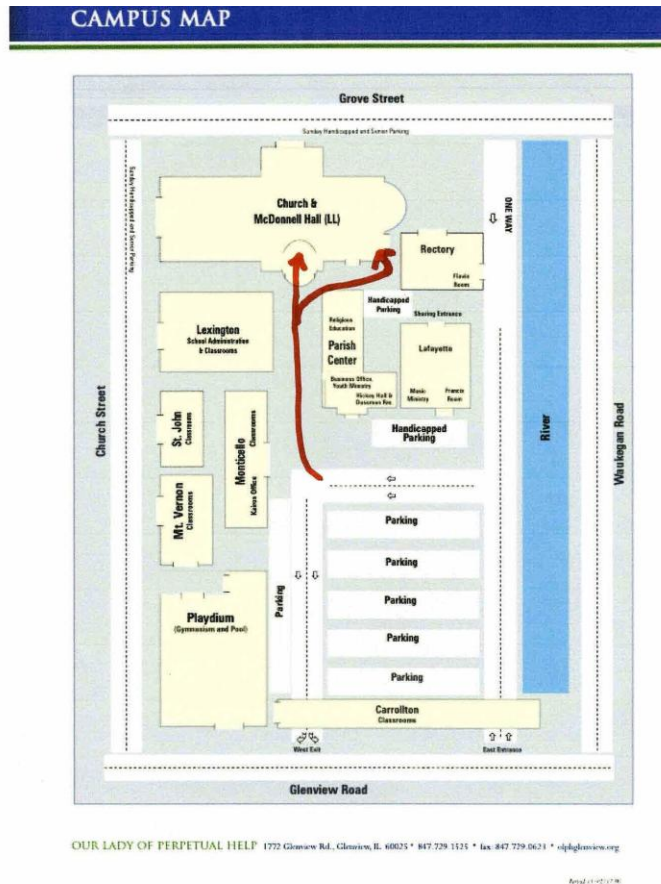
God of All Compassion,  
Help us to live day by day  
with active concern,  
like that of the Good Samaritan,  
for those suffering  
in body, mind, and spirit  
whom we are called to serve,  
whether or not we know them  
and however poor they may be.  
Through the intercession of Mary,  
Our Lady of Lourdes  
and Our Lady of Graces,  
we pray. Amen.

**For more details contact:**

**Chaplain Rick Nash**

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Enter Parking Lot off Glenview Road,  
1 Block West of Waukegan Road,  
Glenview, Illinois

## **MINISTRY OF CARE TRAINING PROGRAM**



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