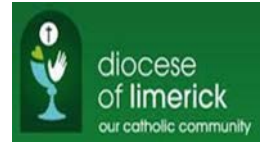


Acknowledgement Letter to Applicant Lay Persons from outside the Diocese who wish to be involved in temporary/short term/part-time Ministry in the Diocese of Limerick



Dear _____

I refer to your request for permission to undertake ministry within the Diocese of Limerick. Thank you for your enquiry and your willingness to be of service.

Prior to considering any request, our procedures require that you contact your local Church leader to inform them of your request.

The following are the steps involved in obtaining permission to minister in the Diocese of Limerick:

1. Request received by Diocesan Office
2. Lay Person completes Form for Visiting Lay Ministers (Appendix 18);
3. Church Leader or Head of relevant Organisation to which the Lay Person belongs completes Confirmation of Good Standing Form for Lay Persons (Appendix 20);
4. If the ministry involves contact with children or vulnerable persons, which is more than incidental, then the Lay Person must be vetted by the Diocese of Limerick. This is organised via vetting@ldo.ie (queries to Vetting Service in the Diocesan Office)
5. Bishop of Limerick communicates his decision to the Lay Person and relevant local Parish/Organisation (Appendix 14)

Full details and relevant forms are available on the Diocese of Limerick website at www.limerickdiocese.org.

With every blessing,

+Brendan Leahy
Bishop of Limerick

Date: