



VILLA SPIRITUAL DIRECTION FORMATION PROGRAM

APPLICATION FORM

Personal Profile – Part One

Today's Date _____

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

City/Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone: HOME _____ - _____

WORK _____ - _____

CELL _____ - _____

Faith Affiliation _____

Married _____ Single _____ Clergy _____ Religious _____

Religious Community Name and Initials _____

Academic History:

High School Name & Year of Graduation _____

College/University Attended _____

Year of Graduation _____ Degree _____

Post-Graduate Work:

College/University _____

Year of Graduation _____ Degree _____

College/University _____

Year of Graduation _____ Degree _____

How did you learn about the *Villa Spiritual Direction Formation Program*?

Personal Profile – Part Two

In the spaces provided, please respond succinctly to the following questions:

1. Why do you wish to enter this program of spiritual direction formation?

2. Describe experiences you have had in service to other people [eg. Faith community, civic or social organizations].

3. Describe any formal study or training [courses, workshops, scripture, theology, spirituality, etc] you have taken in spirituality and /or specifically in the area of spiritual direction.

4. What signs have led you to believe you have a calling in this ministry of Spiritual Direction?

5. Experience in receiving Spiritual Direction:

I receive Spiritual Direction myself: Yes _____ No _____

[If yes] I have been receiving direction for _____ year[s]

Name of Director _____

Phone Number _____

Frequency of sessions: _____

We meet face to face: YES NO We meet via electronic media: YES NO

Experience in giving Spiritual Direction:

I am currently giving Spiritual Direction: Yes _____ No _____

[If yes] Number of persons you see: _____

Number of years you have been directing: _____

How often you meet with directees: _____

6. Do you have any reservations about applying for this program and/or do you foresee any difficulties for yourself arising from your participation in it?

7. Is there any other information you feel is relevant to your application?

Personal Profile – Part Three: Spiritual Autobiography

Attach to this application an autobiographical sketch **no longer than 5 pages** typed. As you describe your life history include events, which had impact on your development, present prayer life, use of scripture and relationship with God. Describe your religious development including relationships that affected your faith life. Describe your experience of spiritual direction and how it has affected your spiritual growth, e.g. motivation, when you began the process, how you chose a director and whether it is ongoing. Describe your gifts and talents as you see them and how they would help you as a spiritual director.

Personal Profile – Part Four: Letter of Reference

Please print out 3 copies of the Letter of Reference and obtain references from 3 people who are familiar with your faith journey [one letter should be from your current Spiritual Director]. Please do not use members of your immediate family. **Please note that the references should be sent directly by the person to the Villa Spiritual Direction Formation Program.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

1. Please enclose a US \$50 deposit [**non-refundable**] with the completed application [Parts One, Two and Three, above]. Your application cannot be processed unless accompanied by the deposit. Please send check or money order payable to *Sisters of Christian Charity* no later than July 1, 2018 to:

**Villa Spiritual Direction Formation Program
c/o Teresa Skierkowski, SCC
352 Bernardsville Road
Mendham, NJ 07945-0800**

2. Please send application in a 9x12 envelope. **Please do not fold the application form or your autobiography.**

3. If you have any questions regarding this application please contact Sister Teresa at 201-602-2235.