Do you thirst for a more intimate relationship with God? Do you hunger for increased knowledge of the faith? Do you desire to make a greater impact in your parish and community?

IF YES, IMPACT IS FOR YOU!

IMPACT has been designed to take participants further down the path of leadership. IMPACT, an invitation to step away from the busyness of life, will nourish the soul while exploring faith. Through the lens of Pope Francis' The Joy of the Gospel, IMPACT participants will be challenged to respond more fully to Jesus' call to mission — to IMPACT our world.

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JOIN IMPACT:

- To enrich and deepen your faith
- To learn more about the Catholic faith
- To respond further to the call of discipleship
- To enhance involvement in parish life
- To share more deeply in the mission of Jesus

For more information, please check out our website: www.DBQArch.org/impact.

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WHAT IS IMPACT?

IMPACT is the next step in the evolution of lay formation in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. IMPACT is the two-year lay formation program for adults of the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Participants will receive the best possible faith formation though this valuable program that is faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

IMPACT follows the guidelines of formation as set by Co-Workers in the Field: Year One will focus on personal and spiritual growth; Year Two will focus on the intellectual and pastoral components of our Catholic faith.

Who would benefit from IMPACT?

IMPACT is open to any adult who desires a deeper relationship with Christ and a greater understanding of the Catholic faith in order to better serve others through leadership.

ENROLL NOW

Schedule

IMPACT, Year One, begins with an overnight retreat at Shalom Spirituality Center in Dubuque on September 7-8, 2019.

Saturday sessions are held once a month from October through April, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, with some online options.

Location

St. Joseph Church
330 S 1st Street SW
Elkader, IA 52043

Content

Through an enthusiastic and open spirit, participants will have the opportunity to grow through study, reflection, prayer, retreat experience, and large/small group discussion.

Cost

With parish sponsorship, the participant and the parish will each cover one half of the cost. Grants are available for parish employees. Please refer to the IMPACT website for more information on the cost of the program.

Apply

Please apply online at DBQArch.org/impact

MAKE AN IMPACT

God created us to do good works. Being a disciple of Jesus Christ means being on the lookout for the good works God wants us to accomplish. This includes working to build up the Body of Christ in ministry and making an impact on the world through missions.

- Henri Nouwen

“All of us are called to mature in our work as evangelizers. We want to have better training, a deepening love and a clearer witness to the Gospel...each of us should find ways to communicate Jesus wherever we are. All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections offers us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives.”

- Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel (121)

“This is an exciting opportunity for the laity in our diocese! It is the community that breathes new life into the Church, not only in our Eucharistic celebrations but also in the various ministries that are so vital to our mission. IMPACT participants will be further transformed into active disciples who bring vibrancy to parish life while assisting others in the demands of daily Christian living.”

- Kathy Oberreuter, Director of Faith Formation, Blessed Trinity Cluster

“IMPACT has brought my faith to a deeper level, given me a broader understanding of the Catholic faith, helped me walk closer to Jesus, and given me the tools to share my gifts with my local parish community.”

- Patti Davis, IMPACT participant

“Attending IMPACT as a couple has given us the opportunity to grow closer as we study, reflect, and share the beauty and knowledge of our Catholic faith together.”

- David and Jennifer Janssen, IMPACT participants

“IMPACT helped to build the fire of desire to know Jesus “more”, to deepen my love for Christ, share all that with others and feel his merciful, forgiving love.”

- Julie Vulk, IMPACT participant

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