

PARISH DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

*"We can see
so much potential
but are not
sure how to
reach it."*

*"We want to
see our parish
make a bigger
impact where
we live."*

*"We know
where we've been
but we are not
sure where we
are going."*

*"We're open
to new ideas
but we're not
sure what to
do next."*

If any of these statements relate to your parish then you may want to get involved in the next **CHURCH21** PARISH DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE.

CHURCH21 is about enabling parishes to develop:

- *A clearer sense of direction.*
- *A clarity of focus on priorities.*
- *A commitment to collaborative leadership.*
- *And confidence for the future.*

The process recognises that each parish is at a different stage of development and allows the parish to evaluate its own needs and to set its own agenda. Sharing the journey with other parishes offers a creative stimulus and an added degree of motivation.



The Conference is being held in the Emmaus Retreat Centre, Swords, Dublin:

ON SATURDAY 25 MARCH 2017

10:00am to 4:00pm

Subjects covered will include:

- *Getting from A to B.*
- *Harnessing frustration.*
- *Turning dreams into reality.*
- *Stepping Stones of Parish Development.*

Rev Ian Coffey, Director of Leadership Training at Moorlands College, and internationally renowned speaker, will be the facilitator.

In addition we'll be learning from churches that have embarked on their own journeys of development in very different contexts.

All that we ask is that, in addition to the ordained leader, at least 4 people will attend from each parish and that, ideally, one will be under 45 and one under 25.

The subsidised cost is £15 / €18 per person including coffee and lunch.

For further information see the **CHURCH21** website: **www.church21.ie**

To book please sign up on the website or contact the **CHURCH21** Administrator Tessa Marsden on 071 9147007 by Friday 24 February 2017.

*The Parish Development Working Group is a sub-committee of the Standing Committee of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland. The members are all volunteers rooted in the life the church and with a wide variety of experience and a commitment to keep learning and growing through the **CHURCH21** process.*



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