ORDERING OF MINISTERIAL RELATIONSHIPS
Lay Ecclesial Ministers

REQUIREMENTS:
Specific ministry of **ecclesial leadership** –
- collaboration with the ordained
- prepared through process of prayerful discernment
- necessary formation, education and training
- common recognition and support
- formal and public role
- responsibility and authority for specific ministry
- commissioned in a ministry by the Bishop

Individuals must serve in a worshiping community and meet the above requirements to be considered Lay Ecclesial Ministers

**In Parishes:**
Parish Pastoral Associate
DRE or coordinator
Master Catechist (because they could be a DRE)
Youth Ministry Director (not a coordinator)
Director of Liturgy
Director of RCIA
Pastoral Care Coordinator
Minister of Parish Life

**Other Ministry Areas:**
Chaplain for Detention Ministry
Director – SJSU Catholic Campus Center

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**NOTE:**
A Lay Ecclesial Minister is a competent person with at least 5 years of experience –

He/she is recognized by the worshiping community as someone with authority and working in collaboration with the ordained.

He/she administer, facilitate, plan and train leaders – hire, manage, budget, calendar and coordinate special liturgies – and are able to preside.

If a pastor has another ministerial role that he feels fits the guidelines for experience and formation, he can nominate such a person.