

Director of Catechesis and Faith Mentor

The Derry Diocesan Trust is seeking to recruit an energetic and highly motivated individual to fulfil the pioneering role of **Director of Catechesis and Faith Mentor** for the Parish of Desertegney & Lower Fahan (Buncrana). This is a full-time permanent role, in a large and varied parish.

ABOUT THE JOB

Under the general guidance of the Parish Priest of Desertegney & Lower Fahan (Buncrana), facilitates the development and growth of the faith of local people of all backgrounds, ages and creeds by encouraging a deeper understanding of the Catholic Religion and awakening faith in those no longer experiencing God's love in their lives. The Catechesis and faith development will be underpinned by a strategic plan, developed through consultation, and will be implemented in an effective, engaging and proactive manner, in line with the spirit of the parish.

ABOUT THE PERSON

APPLICANTS MUST DEMONSTRATE

- Deep Catholic spirituality to include a real understanding and experience of the rich tradition of Catholic life, faith practice and prayer
- An understanding and ability to communicate the love of God through the experience of personal prayer and parish liturgy
- A clear understanding of pastoral care and boundaries
- Experience of coordination and development of music ministry
- An ability to work on their own initiative
- An ability to work as part of a team
- Excellent organisational skills
- Flexibility to work on evenings and weekends when required

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA

- A degree in education or theology or any other related discipline
- Similar project experience, of at least two years' duration in a leadership role
- A demonstrable knowledge of the content of the Catholic faith and its practise in the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church
- Proficient in Microsoft Office

DESIRABLE CRITERIA

- Proficiency in a musical instrument, orchestration and directing choirs
- Active involvement in the spiritual and sacramental life of the Catholic Church at parish level

Job description and application form available by email from the Parish Office, buncranaparish@eircom.net. Completed application form and CV to be received by email or post no later than **4pm on Thursday, 25 October 2018**. Canvassing will disqualify.

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