

Memo

Date: March 25, 2024

To: Priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, family-life

ministers, bereavement leaders and parish staff

From: Patrick Metts, associate director, Office of Evangelization &

Discipleship

Re: Updated online Bereavement Ministry training

In collaboration with the <u>Association of Catholic Mental Health</u> <u>Ministers</u> (CMHM), we have updated and relaunched the bereavement training under the name of *Accompanying Those Who Mourn*. You can now register for free through the CMHM's website and <u>this link</u>.

Accompanying Those Who Mourn will provide the training necessary for parish or Catholic community leaders to start or further develop a bereavement ministry. The training will develop leaders' understanding of grief and how to companion or accompany someone in their sorrow.

This course is for those interested in beginning or improving a parish bereavement ministry, but it can also be helpful for those interested in learning more about grief and bereavement from a Catholic perspective. For more information about the content of the course, please visit our Bereavement Ministry page.

If you have additional questions about this training or any other bereavement resources, please contact me at pmetts@archatl.com.