REGNUM CHRISTI

Role of the RC Chaplain

Mission Statement

The section chaplain is a RC formator particularly entrusted with fostering and promoting the liturgical and sacramental life of the section and who collaborates with the section director and other RC formators in the formation and accompaniment of the lay members and the direction of the section (RL 35 and 36, SRCF 5.3)

Functions

1. **Foster and promote liturgical and sacramental life:**
    a. Help members develop life of grace through prayer and sacraments (RL 17, 3-5)
    b. Support members growth in living out their baptismal call developing their secular spirituality as lay people (RL 4, 17)
    c. Direct, preach, and guide retreats in collaboration with the spiritual life and formation teams: spiritual exercises, RC Triduum's, and other spiritual retreats to meet the needs of the different audiences (RL 5, 35, 36)

2. **Assist in the formation and accompaniment of RC lay members:**
    a. Guide members in their journey of sanctification, their process of formation particularly spiritual formation, and their apostolic growth (RL 11,12, 13, 30)
    b. Offer sacramental attention and spiritual guidance
    c. Be available to offer apostolic dialogue if requested by the section director and other formative experiences and programs (RL 11, 12, 30, 31)
    d. Assist the members in the living of the RC lifestyle (RL 16, 2)

3. **Collaborate with section leadership in the direction of the RC Section:**
    a. Contribute and support apostolic initiatives of the section and other section activities (RL 17, 2, 32, 36)
    b. Contribute to the annual section plan and assist in carrying it out (RRCF 43.2 and 3)
    c. Collaborate with the section director in implementing formation plans (RL 36, 7.2)
    d. Foster RC identity, mission and family spirit in section life (RL 1, 32)
    e. Assist with the growth of the RC section: finding, inviting, welcoming and accompanying new members (RL 32, 9.7, SRCF 18)

Appointment: Territorial Directive College (RL 35)

Accountability: Section Director (RL 35, 36) The Section Director should have regular accountability meetings with the RC chaplain.

Conflict Resolution: If there is a conflict that cannot be resolved with the section director, the RC chaplain can have recourse to the Regnum Christi local director (if there is not a named RCD, the first recourse would be to the locality representative of the North American area of locality governance). If the conflict cannot be resolved at a locality level, the RC chaplain can have recourse to the locality representative of the North American area of locality governance. (SRCF 116)

**Note: Depending on the section, a RC Chaplain can serve on the Leadership Team or a sub-team such as the Spiritual Life team or Formation team of the section that can be comprised of and led by any members of the four vocations of Regnum Christi (Legionaries of Christ, Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, Consecrated Lay Men of Regnum Christi, and Lay Members of Regnum Christi).*

***Note: In the absence of a named Section Director, the chaplain reports to the Regnum Christi Local Director or whoever the RCD designates as the point person for the men or women or life stage of RC lay membership. In the absence of a RCD, the chaplain reports to the locality representative of the area of Locality Governance or other designated point person.*