

Y4 RE: Special Roles and Responsibilities

Lesson 2

As well as priests, deacons, monks and sisters, every member of the Church has a special role and responsibility as they try to follow Christ.

Marriage

Marriage is one of the important Sacraments that Christians celebrate in their lives as a sign of their love and life-long commitment to each other. It is a vocation (calling to do a special job) just as much as having a vocation to become a priest.

1. Write down 3 responsibilities married people have to each other and their children.

Roles and Responsibilities

St. Paul wrote to the people of Corinth about the Church being the Body of Christ:

*"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the **same God works all of them in all men...***

*Now **the body is not made up of one part but of many.** If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body...*

*If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" But **God has combined the members of the body** and has given greater honour to the parts that lacked it, so that **there should be no division in the body,** but that **its parts should have equal concern for each other...***

*Now **you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.** And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues."*

2. What does this tell us about the different members of the Church? Do only a few people have roles and responsibilities?
3. Lots of people have different roles in the parish. Make a list of 3 different people in the parish and their key tasks.