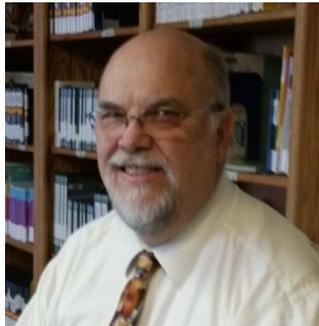




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The National Association for Lay Ministry announced the results of its Board election this May. The newly elected NALM Board members three-year term will begin during the 41st Annual Conference on June 2, 2017, in Indianapolis, IN.



Deacon Keith Davis

Deacon Keith brings a wealth of pastoral experience to the NALM Board. He has served the Church throughout the last forty years beginning as a parish youth minister when there were only a handful of youth ministers. Deacon Keith currently serves the Archdiocese of Santa Fe as the Director, of Lay Ministry Formation and Ministry Resources. He currently serve as the chair of this year's conference. Previously he was a membership on the NFCYM Board of Directors, chairmanships on the board of the Arizona Interfaith Alliance for Worker Justice, the Job Corps Ministry Advisory Council (Rapid City, SD) and the Ecumenical Institute for Ministry (Albuquerque). Deacon Keith has also served on the Board of Directors for the Dominican Ecclesial Institute (Albuquerque) and the Diocesan Youth Advisory Board (San Diego). Currently, serves as a Global Fellow with Catholic Relief Services and as adjunct faculty for Lewis University and St. Norbert College.



Diana Matthews

Diana first joined NALM as a student member twenty years ago and has never looked back. She too brings a diverse set of pastoral and life experiences to the NALM Board having served as a youth minister, teaching and campus ministry, online theological education and spiritual director. She has also lived in California, northern Sweden, Montreal, Cleveland, and Knoxville. She calls Milwaukee home for now. Currently, she serves as a facilitator for STEP@Notre Dame. Diana is also a Certified Pastoral Minister. Diana serves on the Membership Committee and is the past Chair and Co-Chair of the NALM Home

Mission Network.

NALM's Board of Directors for 2017-18 are:

David Amico, Diocese of Albany

Kathy Bardull, Diocese of Boise

Deacon Keith Davis, Archdiocese of Santa Fe

Nelsa Elías, Diocese of Brooklyn

Mark Erdosy, Marian University, Archdiocese of Indianapolis, **Board, Chair**

Mark Hoggard, Diocese of Richmond, **Board Secretary**

Bridget Klawitter, Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Diana Matthews, Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Most Rev. John C. Wester, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Episcopal Moderator

About NALM

The National Association for Lay Ministry (NALM) is a collaborative organization of lay, vowed religious, and ordained ministers that empowers, advocates for, and develops lay pastoral leadership and promotes the growth of lay pastoral ministry in the Catholic Church. The organization also provides a national voice for Catholic lay ministry. NALM's membership is drawn from the more than 40,000 lay ecclesial ministers who devote their lives to the Church by working in parishes, and dioceses. Other members are students preparing for ministry. Still others live out their baptismal call as generous volunteers to the Church. NALM has a long tradition of support from bishops, priests, deacons, publishers, and academic institutions. Each, in its own way, collaborates with NALM to promote the empowerment of the laity in the Catholic Church.

NALM led the Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership Project (2008-14). This project was one of the largest research efforts to examine the changing nature of parish life in the United States. In addition, NALM and its partners in the Alliance for the Certification of Lay Ecclesial Ministers have promulgated and published National Certification Standards for Lay Ecclesial Ministers. In 2012, the Alliance implemented a national certification process for lay ecclesial ministers.