

INTERNATIONAL VISION STATEMENT
ROMAN CATHOLIC WOMEN PRIESTS
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VISION

A new model of ordained ministry in a renewed Roman Catholic Church

MISSION

The mission of Roman Catholic Women Priests is to prepare, ordain and support qualified women from all states of life who are committed to an inclusive model of Church, and who are called by the Holy Spirit and their communities to minister to the People of God.

VALUES

Roman Catholic Women Priests has grown and expanded globally. Respectful of cultural distinctions, members of RCWP adhere to the following values:

1. Equality

Women and men are created whole and holy by God; and as baptized persons women can equally represent Christ. Therefore, we can be ordained. Our ordinations are done in apostolic succession following the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church.

2. Justice

We strive to live as communities of justice, inclusivity and diversity. We renounce clericalism, racism, sexism, hetero-sexism and all forms of discrimination.

3. Accountability

As companions on the journey, we are mutually accountable to one another, to society and to creation.

4. Collegiality

Our models of governance are communitarian based on a new model of church which encourages empowerment and generous service, and rejects all forms of domination and control.

5. Prophetic Obedience

We are called by the Holy Spirit to read the signs of the times and to respond.

IN SUMMARY

Roman Catholic Women Priests (RCWP) is an international movement within the Roman Catholic Church. As a community of equal disciples, our calling is first and foremost to follow Jesus the Christ, our model on the journey to Mother/Father God.