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Bio	<p>Ursula O'Rourke is a Sister of the Good Samaritan. Her background is in teaching and administration in Catholic Schools throughout Queensland. She was Director of Liturgy in the Catholic Diocese of Townsville for ten years, and worked with parish and school communities in all areas of liturgical formation in that diocese and in other dioceses throughout Queensland.</p> <p>She lives and works in the archdiocese of Brisbane, and is currently on the staff at Holy Spirit Seminary Queensland, Banyo, Queensland, teaching in the liturgical formation program. She is also a sessional lecturer in the School of Theology at the Australian Catholic University, Banyo, Queensland. She continues to be involved in liturgical formation and consultation around the country.</p> <p>She has contributed articles to Liturgy News and The Summit , and has been a regular columnist in Network News, the journal of the Australian Catechumenate Network. She is a former member of the National Liturgical Council, the Bishops' Commission for Liturgy, and is currently a Consultant to the National Liturgical Council. She is a member of the Liturgy News editorial Board of Liturgy Brisbane, a member of the Australian Academy of Liturgy, the National Pastoral Musicians Association, and the International Liturgy Network of Notre Dame Centre for Pastoral Liturgy. Ursula holds a Graduate Diploma in Sacred Liturgy [1986] from The Irish Institute of Liturgy, Carlow, Ireland, and a Master of Arts in Liturgical Studies [1994] from the University of Notre Dame, Indiana USA .</p> <p>18 February 2013</p>
Title	Serving as a Minister of Communion - within the Eucharist and beyond the celebration
Brief Description	The Church's document, "Immensae Caritatis" (1973) allowed lay people to minister Holy Communion within the celebration of the Eucharist and to those who are sick and housebound in our faith communities. This session will explore the theology, spirituality and formation of the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and reflect on the importance of extending this ministry to serving the sick and housebound in our parishes.

Overview	<p>The outline of the sessions will be as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where has this ministry come from? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- exploring some of the historical background through the Church's early sources</li> <li>- what do our current Church documents say?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What are the foundations of this ministry? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the call of baptism</li> <li>- the qualities we bring to this ministry</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The context of this ministry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Sunday Assembly</li> <li>- exploring the Communion Rite</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Some practical issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- distributing Communion within the Mass</li> <li>- Taking Communion to the sick and housebound in our parishes</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>"You are a servant offering the one before you his or her share of that banquet, the food and drink that will satisfy that for which they hunger and thirst."</p>
Type	Workshop
Audience	Servers, Readers, Communion Ministers
Breakout	E