

# Healthy Ministry Dynamics

Before the session, read the following Scripture passages and answer the questions below.

**1Corinthian 3:5-15** <http://usccb.org/bible/1corinthians/3>

- a. What stands out to you from this passage?
- b. What does this tell us about our role in ministry?
- c. Verse 9 says, "For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building." What does this mean to you?

**2Corinthians 4:5-11** <http://usccb.org/bible/2corinthians/4>

- a. What stands out to you from this passage?
- b. What is "*The Paradox of the Ministry*" this passage presents?

During our session, the group will be invited to share their ideas on the following questions. However, you will not be required to share your answers, if you wish them to remain confidential. Spend time reflecting on the ministries at your parish.

- a. What ministries were/are unsuccessful and why do you think those ministries were/are unsuccessful?
- b. What ministries are successful and why do you think those ministries are successful?
- c. What can sabotage a ministry?
- d. What is necessary for a ministry to thrive?