

USE THIS REFLECTION TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS THE KEY ELEMENTS
OF PRESENTATION LEADERSHIP.

Presentation Leadership Reflection One: The Key Elements of Presentation Leadership

COMPASSION

Looking to the heart of Jesus, Nano Nagle learned the meaning of compassion as “suffering with” another person. She went out to those made poor, the lonely, the sick, the uneducated, the homeless. Wherever the need called, Nano responded with a compassionate heart.

We, like Nano, are called to be compassionate leaders.

Where have you practised compassion in your leadership?

Take a moment to consider how you can be a more compassionate leader.

HOSPITALITY & WELCOMING HEART

Nano Nagle was a woman of welcoming heart. On Christmas Eve 1775 she gathered those made poor and hungry into her school room to share a meal. Nano was always inclusive, she looked for opportunities to show the welcome and generosity of Jesus. Her life was one of service.

We, like Nano, are called to be leaders with welcoming hearts.

When have you looked for opportunities to practise inclusion and welcome?

Take a moment to consider how you can be a more welcoming leader.

CONCERN FOR THOSE MADE POOR

Nano Nagle felt the pain of those who had not been treated with respect and who were trapped in a web of poverty and disadvantage. She gave freely from her own resources to help others.

Nano's spirit and concern for the poor and powerless is alive today and is expressed every time we are challenged to action on behalf of those who struggle with unjust structures.

We, like Nano, are called to act on behalf of those who are disadvantaged.

Where are the unmet needs in your community?

Take a moment to discern where you can act for those who struggle, in your leadership.

JUSTICE

Nano Nagle gave her life, her energy, and her resources to the fight against poverty and oppression. She fought for the dignity of every person. Nano said: “If I could be of service in any part of the world, I would willingly do all in my power.”²

The spirit of Nano is alive every time we respond with love to situations that can oppress and alienate others and when we act justly in our relationships and dealings with others.

We, like Nano, are called to be inclusive leaders who are not afraid to speak out against injustice.

What justice issues impact on your community?

Take a moment to reflect on Nano's call to be proactive in opposing unjust structures.

EDUCATION

Nano Nagle set up secret schools in Ireland at a time when education for Catholics was illegal. So strong was her call to educate children that she risked her life to bring the Gospel message and an education to children who otherwise would not have been given a chance. Her work transformed Irish society.

We, like Nano Nagle, are called to be educators, people who inspire others to live full lives.

What are the education needs in your community?

Take a moment to consider the areas in your Presentation ministry which need a greater focus on inclusive education.