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OFFICE OF THE PERMANENT DIACONATE



“For nothing will be impossible for God.” (Lk 1:37)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

WELCOME FROM DEACON DAVE 2.0

While I will never be as valuable as the original Deacon Dave, I am honored to be able to serve our Deacon Community as your new Director. The first time I was called to work full time for the Church was in 2003 when my wonderful bishop, the Most Reverend Richard Hanifen called me into his office six months after ordination. Like most ‘baby deacons,’ my first thought was “what have I done wrong?” Bishop Hanifen told me that he believed God wanted me to work full time for His Church. I foolishly responded, “God is talking to you about this and not me?” to which my bishop responded, “He tried, but your line was busy, so he had to use me as your messenger.” The message was received, and I served the Diocese of Colorado Springs in several capacities before God’s call led me to serve those who work at sea as onboard Human Resources for Celebrity Cruises. That hiatus from serving the Church was brief and in 2016 God directed me back to land and to the service of His Church in Central Florida. While my background is a diverse accumulation of roles in the business world (accounting, information technology, purchasing, training and change management, human resources, operations management) I have asked of God only one thing: that I may use my inherent giftedness to help people become the fullest expression of who He calls them to be. I pray that as we serve God together as deacons of the Diocese of Orlando that we each strive to serve our Heavenly Father, not as we desire, but as He wills.

I look forward to meeting all of you as I travel to your deaneries or we gather for Diocesan liturgies and our annual Convocation.

Let us continue to be a Community of Joyful Servants serving the People of God, especially Our Poor.

ADMINISTRATIVE

2019 DEACON RETREATS

This year’s diocesan sponsored retreats will be held at San Pedro Center on the following weekends:



- February 1 - 3, 2019 Retreat Master: Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary
- March 1 - 3, 2019 Retreat Master: Rev. Ivan Olmo, Pastor St. Mary, Rockledge
- April 5 - 7, 2019 Retreat Master: Rev. Ivan Olmo, Pastor St. Mary, Rockledge

ROOMS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR MARCH AND APRIL. San Pedro Center has 48 rooms. Rooms are booked on a first come first serve basis. If you need first floor accommodations, please note this in your room request.

You can register [online](#) or by emailing: jkuhn@orlandodiocese.org. If you have already completed your 2018-2019 retreat requirement, please send Jennifer information on such. She will be updating the database.

DEACON POLICY MANUAL

We are completing the final edits on the policy manual and will submit it soon to the Diocesan Policy Review Board. We believe it will be completed and electronically delivered to you by April 1st, 2019.

DIACONATE POLO SHIRT ORDERS

We will be ordering Deacon polo shirts on February 27, 2019. If you wish to place an order, please click and [submit your order](#) here. The shirts cost \$20.00 each and come in an array of colors.

MONTHLY PRAYER LIST

We want to hear if you or someone you know needs our prayers. We prepare and send out our prayer list around the 20th of each month. If you have a prayer request, please email to Jennifer at jkuhn@orlandodiocese.org by the 18th in order to include your request on the current month's list. Otherwise, your request will go on the next month's list.

LITURGICAL CORNER

Ministry of Liturgy

Liturgical Notes

An interesting question was raised by one of our deacons regarding the proper procedure to follow when there is an excess of the Precious Blood at the end of the distribution of Holy Communion, more than can be consumed by the ministers serving.

The Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds in the Dioceses of the United States clearly addresses this concern. “52. When more of the Precious Blood remains than was necessary for Communion, and if not consumed by the bishop or Priest celebrant, the Deacon, standing at the altar, “immediately and reverently consumes all of the Blood of Christ that remains, assisted, if the case requires, by other Deacons and Priests.”55 When there are extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, they may consume what remains of the Precious Blood from their chalice of distribution with permission of the Diocesan Bishop.” The document further teaches: “54. The Precious Blood may not be reserved, except for giving Communion to someone who is sick. Only sick people who are unable to receive Communion under the form of bread may receive it under the form of wine alone at the discretion of the Priest. If not consecrated at a Mass in the presence of the sick person, the Blood of the Lord is kept in a properly covered vessel and is placed in the tabernacle after Communion. The Precious Blood should be carried to the sick in a vessel that is closed in such a way as to eliminate all danger of spilling. If some of the Precious Blood remains after the sick person has received Communion, it should be consumed by the minister, who should also see to it that the vessel is properly purified. 55. **The reverence due to the Precious Blood of the Lord demands that it be fully consumed after Communion is completed and never be poured into the ground or the sacrarium.**” (*emphasis added*)

In exceptional circumstances in which there are insufficient authorized ministers to consume the Precious Blood during the mass, a prudent option would be to return the Precious Blood to the sacristy where additional ordinary or extraordinary ministers may be available to complete the proper and reverent consumption. This, of course, should be an extremely rare occurrence as once encountered, and in the future dictate adaptations to the amount of wine prepared before mass for consecration.

[DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CALENDAR](#)

Coming Soon

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[CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE](#)

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MINISTRY PROFESSIONAL GATHERING helping Teens have Rock Solid faith and Building Intercultural Competencies for Ministry

- Register Now [Click Here](#)

ORLANDO LITURGICAL CONFERENCE [Click Here](#)

Liturgy in Action: Crossing the Threshold

SAVE THE DATE! August 22nd - 24th, 2019

Location: Hilton Orlando, 6001 Destination Parkway. Orlando

The Orlando Liturgical Conference is committed to evangelize, inspire, form, and educate diverse liturgical ministers. "*Liturgy in Action: Crossing the Threshold*" will explore how encountering Christ through the progression of the Mass leads to thresholds of transformation, inspiring us to become missionary disciples. More information will be forthcoming at www.orlandoliturgicalconference.org.

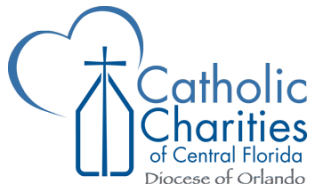
OUTSIDE THE WALLS

MINISTRY OF CHARITY & JUSTICE

MINISTRY TO THE INCARCERATED The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated has recently updated its ministry service lists for mentoring and sacramental services to the incarcerated. We are in particular need of priests willing to celebrate Mass and Deacons to provide Eucharistic services in select prison and jail facilities throughout the Diocese. For information or inquiries please contact Deacon Richard Dodd at volunteermti@orlandodiocese.org.

CHAPLAINS TO BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA The Secretariat for Laity and Family Life is in need of chaplains for the Boy Scouts of America in the Diocese of Orlando. The goal is to have one chaplain per Deanery. This is a fitting ministry for deacons, especially if you have a long-term association with the Boy Scouts. Please contact Deacon Dave Camous at dcamous@orlandodiocese.org if interested.

TOURISM MINISTRY The Tourism Ministry seeks to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to travelers who visit Central Florida for work or vacation. We are currently seeking two deacons to assist with the chaplaincy at Orlando International Airport. Future opportunities for deacons include the Apostleship of the Sea at Port Canaveral and potentially at the Basilica, Mary Queen of the Universe Shrine. If interested, please contact Deacon Dave at dcamous@orlandodiocese.org.



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FORMATION

FORMATION WEEKEND: February 8-9 @ San Pedro Center.

| Cohort | Saint Leo Course | Dimensional Workshop |
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| 2020 | Ecclesiology | Canon Law <i>by Fr. Fernando Gil</i> |
| 2022 | Hebrew Scriptures | Family Life <i>by Dcn Rick and Debbie Chabot</i> |
| 2024 | | Spiritual Dimension <i>by Dens Joe Gassman and Eddie Cruz</i> |

DEACON MENTORS:

We NEED deacon mentors. We would like to keep the one-on-one, Mentor: Mentee ratio as we find it most beneficial for both the mentor and mentee.

We are willing to travel to the deaneries to do the Mentorship Workshop. If you are interested in hosting a mentor workshop for your deanery, please contact me to schedule a date. Interested in becoming a deacon mentor contact: dcamous@orlandodiocese.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars

DIOCESAN BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

([English](#) / [Spanish](#))

MASS FOR MARRIAGE Whether you have been married for one year or 81 years, Bishop Noonan invites you to join him at The Cathedral of St. James to celebrate marriage!

Saturday, February 9, 2019. 10:00 a.m. with reception to follow in Parish Center



MARRIAGE PREPARATION ANNOUNCEMENTS 2019 [Click Here](#)

2019 CONVOCATION. **October 5, 2019** @ Annunciation in Altamonte Springs.
Mass @ 8:00 a.m. with the Rite of Acolyte (Cohort 2020)
Bishop John Noonan presiding
Keynote Speaker: TBD

For a complete list of calendar of events visit the [Deacon Webpage](#).

QUESTIONS? If you have particular questions you would like to see addressed by this office, you may email your question(s) to dcamous@orlandodiocese.org or jkuhn@orlandodiocese.org.

“I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now.” (Jn 16:12)