



OFFICE OF THE PERMANENT DIACONATE



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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANCERY PARKING

We have a new place to park! The previous parking lot is currently under construction. If you are visiting for less than an hour, there are still a few visitor spaces right next to the Chancery building.

Employees and guests who will stay longer than an hour are to park at ***City of Orlando's parking garage located at 62 W. Jefferson Street, Orlando, FL.*** When visiting, take a ticket at the gate and please bring your parking ticket with you so it can be validated. ***Here is a map of exactly where the parking garage is located (0.2 miles from Chancery)***



62 W Jefferson St

New Parking Garage for Chancery



DISCERNMENT NIGHTS WELL ATTENDED

Sixty-eight men and their wives, from forty different parishes, attended the six discernment nights offered throughout the diocese. The next step for men who are discerning the call will be to have their pastor request a formal application to formation. Please keep all men discerning a vocation, their wives, and their families in your prayer as this process unfolds.

SPANISH LANGUAGE RETREAT FOR DEACONS AND WIVES

Thank you to those who participated in the survey regarding the possibility of a Spanish language retreat for Deacons and wives. There was enough support to move forward with trying to schedule a retreat for the first half of 2020. A committee is being formed to plan the retreat. Details will be forthcoming. We will need at least 20 deacons to sign up in order to make this option viable.

DEACON'S DEN PODCAST IS LIVE!

Remember to check out our Deacon Podcast. [CLICK HERE](#).

There are two episodes currently available online, and the next episode: "Deacon Formation: The Six Year Journey and Beyond!," will be available by the second week of December.



If you have suggestions on topics for upcoming podcasts, please email me at dcamous@orlandodiocese.org.



Wishing you a holiday of heartfelt thanks!

— Jennifer, Joe, and Dave

ADMINISTRATIVE

IMPORTANT: FORMS ARE CHANGING AS OF JANUARY 1ST!

As we complete the full implementation of the new Diaconate Personnel Manual, promulgated this year, **please note that there are new annual forms that will replace all previous versions. As of January 2, 2020, they will be available for download from the Diaconate web-site.**

The annual Statement of Mutual Expectations is being **replaced by separate Pastor's Assessment for Deacons and a Deacon Self-Assessment.** The Continuing Formation Activities form will still be required. Please access the new forms directly from the web-site. Please note that previous forms will not be accepted, so please prevent rework for yourself by using these new forms. Thank you!

ANNUAL RETREATS

Three options for annual retreats for deacons and wives have been scheduled:

February 14-16, 2020- "The Practice and Ministry of Redemption" led by Father Fred Ruse. [To Register, please click here.](#)

March 6-8, 2020- Led by Father Anthony Aarons. [To Register, please click here.](#)

May 1-3, 2020- Led by Father Anthony Aarons. [To Register, please click here.](#)

Spanish Language Retreat- TBD

OFFICE CLOSURE DURING HOLIDAYS

During Thanksgiving, our office will be Closed on Thursday, November 28, 2019 and Friday, November 29, 2019.

During Christmas, our office will be Closed on Tuesday, December 24, 2019 through Wednesday, January 1, 2020.

IN MEMORIAM

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

- Deacon Bob Esposito
- Marcia Falotico, wife of Deacon Frank Falotico

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

LITURGICAL CORNER

Ministry of Liturgy

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Depending on when, where, and with whom we learned to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, the style in which we pray can bear noticeable differences. These adaptations are not necessarily 'wrong,' just different. However, when we attempt to pray as a community, they can become an impediment to praying with 'one voice.' Over the past two months I have been working with our Formation classes to standardize the way we pray as a community. This format mirrors what our seminarians are taught, which should enhance consistency with our priests.

Three consistent standards have been instituted:

Postures: Stand from opening through hymn; sit for Psalmody through Reading & Responsory; Stand from Gospel Canticle through end.

Antiphons: The opening antiphon during the psalmody and before the Gospel Canticle is said by the leader **but not repeated by the assembly**. The antiphon is said in unison by all at the end of the psalm of canticle.

Petitions: The leader proclaims the first part of the petition, and the assembly responds with the second part (after the dash). The italicized response is only said at the beginning by the assembly and is used as a common response for petitions added by the assembly.

Thank you for adopting these consistent standards when we pray in community. This will help eliminate confusion and allow us to pray with one voice.

[ORDER OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN, 2ND EDITION](#)

Check with your pastor or parish liturgist to find out if your parish has already placed an order!

Publication date for this new edition is in January. The revised rite *may be used as of February 2, 2020*, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, and *must be used by April 12, 2020*, Easter Sunday.



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CONTINUING FORMATION

[SAN PEDRO SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER](#)

[Click Here](#)

Check out the link above to see the details on all upcoming Days of Reflection or Retreat Weekends offered at San Pedro. Events include:

Advent Day Retreat with Father Anthony Aarons

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 8 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Advent Taize Prayer Service

Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m

Advent Concert- Advent concert with St. John Vianney's Adult Choir and Handbells

Friday, December 13, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Family: A Christmas Celebration- Annual Live Nativity

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m

Life in the Eucharist Retreat

Friday, January 17, 2020, 4:00 p.m. to Sunday, January 19, 2020, 11:00 a.m.

OUTSIDE THE WALLS

MINISTRY OF CHARITY & JUSTICE

JOIN SAN PEDRO SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER AS THEY SUPPORT CHILDREN

Each year San Pedro Center supports the Toy Sale Drive sponsored by Hope Community Center. Donations of new toys will be accepted in boxes in the Administration Building and St. John the Apostle building until December 13th. Add some holiday joy to children in need within the immigrant and working poor communities. Please see the write up below to learn more.



Hope Community Center and the Toy Store committee invites you to contribute new toys or monetary donations to this celebrated tradition. Last year, over 500 families in our community were touched by your generosity to this wonderful weekend. Your donations to the HCC Toy Store, are a WIN-WIN-WIN for all: working poor families win because their dignity is respected as they buy toys

for their own children; HCC wins as proceeds from the store help fund the center's Youth & Family programs; and our donors, YOU! win as you see your donations making a real difference in the community.

ABOUT HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER: Hope Community Center is a service-learning community dedicated to the empowerment of Central Florida's immigrant and working poor communities through education, advocacy, and spiritual growth.



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FORMATION

FORMATION WEEKEND: Classes for the Fall.

Cohort	Saint Leo Course	Dimensional Workshop
All		
2020	Worship, Sacraments and Liturgy	Practicum: Marriage Rite
2022	Ethics 1: Foundations	Boundaries
2024	History, Theology, and Spirituality of Deacons	Myers-Briggs Indicator

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars

**2020 Deacon's Convocation
Annunciation Catholic Church,
October 3, 2020.
Mark your calendars Now!**

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)