

BISHOP'S LETTER: GIFT OF THE SPIRIT

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

With the celebration of Pentecost Sunday, we come to the end of the season of Easter. Originally a Jewish pilgrimage festival, Pentecost - the Feast of Weeks (Shavuot), comes seven weeks after the cutting of the first sheaf of grain at Passover. Its Greek name, Pentecost, signifies fifty days between the two festivals. For Christians, we consider Pentecost Sunday the 'birthday' of the Church. During the Easter season, the early disciples encounter Jesus and begin to understand Scripture through the light of Christ.



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Cohort 2024 Ordination - We are excited to welcome these 18 men into the Holy Order of Deacon.







Edgar Jecino Holy Family Parish, Orlando



Thomas Meyer Sacred Heart Parish, New Smyrna Beach



Danilo Paugh Holy Cross Parish, Orlando



Josue Diaz St. Joseph Parish, Lakeland



Francisco Peralta Good Shepherd Parish, Orlando



Felix Hernández St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Orlando



Miguel Carrion All Souls Parish, Sanford



Thomas Buddington Jr. St. John the Evangelist Parish, Viera



ORDINATION to the Permanent Diaconate



José Rodriguez St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Orlando



Luis Rodríguez-Colón Holy Spirit Parish, Lake Wales



Mark Zeitler St. James Cathedral Parish, Orlando





Steven Tennant Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Indialantic



George Torres St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Apopka



Jorge Gómez St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Orlando





Angelo Guevara Most Precious Blood Parish, Oviedo



Joseph Pizzarello St. Margaret Mary Parish, Winter Park



John Rivas St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish, Orlando



EVENTS

Annual Forms Due - Your annual forms were due June 1, 2024. If you haven't turned them in, please do so. Remember, you AREN'T in good standing unless you have turned in your annual forms and taken an overnight retreat.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Diaconate Convocation - Our Diaconate Convocation will be on October 5, 2024, at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church located at 831 Maitland Avenue, Altamonte Springs. We are extremely thankful to St. Mary Magdalen parish for hosting us. We will renew our ordination promises at the Mass with Bishop Noonan and Cohort 2026 will receive the Rite of Lector. Our Keynote Speaker is Fr. Albert Haase, OFM. Fr. Haase is an award-winning author with 15 books on popular spirituality and a highly regarded retreat director and leader of parish missions. Fr. Albert led a very well received retreat for our deacon couples in 2023 and we are delighted to welcome him back.

Diaconate Survey - We are working on a survey to be sent in the next few months. This survey will be similar to the one you completed 5 years ago.



FORMATION UPDATES

Cohort 2030 - The admissions team reviewed 23 applications to enter the formal discernment year for Cohort 2030, and the team invited 19 for interviews. 16 men are being called into their discernment year. Please pray for these couples as they continue to discern.

Formation Year 2023-2024 - Cohort 2026 will have summer classes with St. Leo's in July and August. August 10-11, 2024, is our Annual Formation Retreat which will kick off the 2024-2025 formation year. We are pleased to welcome Deacon Jairo and Lydia Rosario as the Cohort Facilitator Couple for Cohort 2030 and appreciate the continued efforts of Deacon Mark and Gloria Fry for serving in that capacity for Cohort 2026 and Deacon Dominick and Audrey Delio who fulfill that role for Cohort 2028.

NEW! Post-Ordination Formation Year - The National Directory calls for formal postordination formation for the newly ordained for up to five years as we walk with the new deacons in their nascent ministry. Deacon German has outlined a five-session program for the first post formation year. This is an exciting addition to our formation, and we thank Deacon German for his leadership in spearheading this effort supported by the entire formation team.

Formation Team Retreat - We will meet July 12-13, 2024, to review procedures and upcoming classes. Remember, if you believe you have the gift of instructing one of our Dimensional classes, please let Deacon Dave know.

Deanery Meetings - Please don't forget to attend your deanery meetings. We are told all the time, especially at Convocation, that you want more time to catch up with your brother Deacons. Your deanery meetings will fulfill this request. Please help, support, and be engaged with your Deacon deanery leads and the community.

Database Updates - Please remember to email Jennifer if you have moved, changed your phone number, or email. She will help you and update your information on our clergy database.



Diocese or Orlando San Pedro Spiritual Development Center in partnership with Mayslake Ministries

SACRED PRESENCE

A PROGRAM FOR THE FORMATION OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS 2024-2025

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

This intensive 10-month program provides men and women with the spiritual formation and necessary skills to answer God's call to the ministry of Spiritual Direction, while earning a professional certificate in Spiritual Direction.

The program is taught by a team of six gifted and experienced Mayslake Ministries Spiritual Directors who for decades have accompanied spiritual seekers on their journey to grow closer to God. Our facilitators are skilled in Theology, Philosophy, Sacred Scripture and other disciplines, as well as a wide array of spiritual traditions including: Ignatian, Franciscan, and Benedictine spirituality.



THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

- Is a person of faith who feels called to accompany others in their walk with God through sacred listening, prayer, and scripture.
- Is one who desires to grow in union with the Lord and learn the skills of sacred listening and discernment so they can help others in their journey of faith as they seek to grow closer to God. Will grow in selfknowledge and knowledge of God while developing the tools for journeying with others.
- Will practice their skills of spiritual direction, along with the support of a mentor, learning how to assist others in recognizing God's movement in their life.

BASIC EXPECTATIONS

- Be in Spiritual Direction. If you are not currently meeting with a Spiritual Director one can be provided to you by Mayslake Ministries.
- Attend weekly class instruction which includes: scripture, prayer spiritual disciplines, texts and materials integral to the tradition of spiritual direction in our Catholic faith.
- Participate in weekly supervised practice of skills within in the academic cohort.
- Meet with your assigned mentor regularly throughout the program.
- Meet regularly with a directee of your choice to practice and strengthen learned skills as you progress through the program.
- Complete all Module assignments by deadlines as well as a final project presentation.



PROGRAM CURRICULUM MODULE TOPICS & SCHEDULE

Most classes will be held in person with the instructor joining virtually

- Sept. 27 Opening Retreat
- Sept. 28- Skills Orientation
- Oct. 2 Nov. 6, Module #1: Who is Jesus? What does it mean to be human?
- Nov. 13 Dec.18, Module #2: What would Jesus have me do? Discipleship in the Modern World
- Jan. 8 Feb. 12, Module #3: Healthy Human Development
- Feb. 19 Mar. 26, Module #4: Healthy Spiritual Development
- Apr. 2 May 14, Module #5: The Function of Spiritual Direction: Discernment
- May 21 July 9, Module #6: Living the Christian Life in the Modern World
- July 13, 2025: Final Retreat and Certification Ceremony

The final calendar will be provided upon acceptance

- Mastery of 15 Spiritual Direction Skills
- 90 hours of classroom instruction & formation
- 120+ hours of Skills Practice
- Each candidate is assigned a mentor who accompanies you in training and formation
- Traditional and contemporary Catholic resources

FOR MORE INFORMAITON & TO APPLY, PLEASE CLICK HERE!

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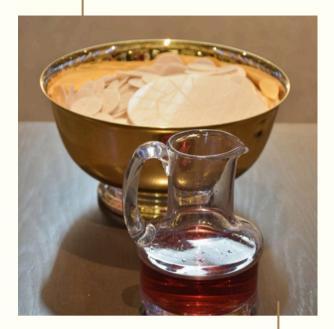
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New USA Edition of Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharistic Mystery Outside of Mass!

Hopefully many of you took advantage of the free FDLC webinar on the upcoming revision of the rites book for Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. It was an excellent series that looked at the historical evolution of the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass, including the theological principle that this rite must always derive its significance from and point back to the sacrifice of the Mass. It reviewed the minor changes to the rite, but perhaps more importantly, clarified a number of confusions regarding the best practices for both adoration and exposition. The new rite will be available from five major Catholic book publishers by August 1st of this year. The modified rite may be used by September 14th, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and must be used in all the dioceses of the United States by December 1st, the First Sunday of Advent. Please make sure that your parish orders a copy of this book this summer and the discussion of this rite may be an excellent topic of discussion for deanery meetings this summer and fall.

IN REMEMBRANCE

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



MEMORIAL MASS SCHEDULE

Scheduled for Friday, June 28, 2024 at the Mary, Mother of God Chapel at San Pedro Spiritual Development Center

- 8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours for the Dead
- 8:30 a.m. Memorial Mass for priests, deacons & laity recently buried

PRIESTS

Monsignor Michael Beerhalter Reverend Mariano Coba Reverend William Corry Reverend Albert Fornace Reverend Peter Henry Reverend Franklin Salazar Reverend Paul Woodyard Reverend Sean Cooney

DEACONS

Deacon Richard Coleman Deacon Alfredo Del Torre Deacon Marshall Gibbs Deacon Manuel Lacsamana Deacon Ronald Linford Deacon Harvey Mondor Deacon John Pellosie Deacon Gerald Smith

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR SENIOR DEACONS!

Deacon Donald Boland - 97 Deacon Howard Pettengill - 92 Deacon Al Somma - 87 Deacon Felix Morillo - 81

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