



ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI

Office of the Diaconate



The Deacon Memo

April, 2022

Welcome New Deacon Brothers!



On Saturday, April 23, 2022, Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr ordained 14 men to the permanent diaconate and 7 men to the transitional diaconate. We praise God for calling these men to vocations of service to His people. We welcome all of them to the brotherhood of the diaconate.

The 14 new permanent deacons for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and their Family of Parishes assignments are:

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Deacon Edward B. Bayliss - South-3
Deacon Mark A. Danis - Northeast-3
Deacon Franklin J. Fanning - Northeast-5
Deacon Bradley M. Feltz - Northwest-8
Deacon Joseph W. Grote - South-1
Deacon Joseph M. Leep - Southeast-5
Deacon Stephen P. Lindner - South-2
Deacon Jeffrey A. Little - Northwest-4
Deacon Mark J. Madden - Southwest-7
Deacon Kelly J. Mochabee - Southeast-5
Deacon Douglas P. Moore - Southwest-5
Deacon Osagie V. O'Basuyi - Northeast-8
Deacon Brian K. Seibert - Northeast-6
Deacon Carlos Soto - Northeast-7

May God bless you in your ministry!

Regional Meetings are Returning!

The Regional Meetings that were interrupted for so long by the pandemic are finally returning. The schedule for our meetings will be:

- ❖ Dayton Area - Tuesday, May 17, St. Luke Parish, Beavercreek
- ❖ Cincinnati Area - Tuesday, May 24, St. Mary Parish, Hyde Park
- ❖ North Area - Wednesday, May 26, Spiritual Center at Maria Stein



Since we're starting with dinner, all meetings will begin at 6 pm. We'll then pray Evening Prayer together. The speaker for this series of meetings is Mr. Tom Conway, Region Director for the Ignatian Volunteer Corps (www.ivcusa.org). IVC places retired, or soon to be retired, volunteers at non-profit agencies where their skill set will do the most good. IVC seeks to primarily serve the marginalized in our society & the working poor.

Please RSVP to me if you plan on attending. Please send an e-mail to deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org. All deacons, wives and widows are invited. Looking forward to seeing all of you again!!

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Informational Evenings for Inquirers



A series of Informational Evenings will be presented throughout the Archdiocese in June. These meetings are for men who may be discerning a possible vocation to the permanent diaconate and their wives. The meetings will be:

- ❖ Monday, June 6 at St. Michael Parish, Fort Loramie, 7 pm
- ❖ Wednesday, June 8 at St. Teresa of the Child Jesus Parish, Springfield, 7 pm
- ❖ Thursday, June 9 at St. Ignatius Parish, Montfort Heights, 7 pm

May I ask a favor of all of you? Please personally invite at least one man who you believe would be a good candidate for the diaconate to attend the Informational Evening with his wife. Also, would you please place this information into your parish bulletin? I want to be sure to get the word out about these meetings. This schedule will be published in the Clergy Communications. Thank you all!!

Preaching Workshop for Deacons

As previously communicated by e-mail, the Office of the Diaconate is sponsoring a half-day preaching workshop entitled *Ethical Preaching: Honesty to God, Self and Congregation in our Homilies*. In this workshop, Deacon Dave Shea will explore the issue of a code of ethics in preaching. We will step through an exercise in the form of promises we can make to God, our listeners, and ourselves.



The workshop will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at Ascension Parish in Kettering beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending with lunch around noon. There is no charge for this workshop and 3 hours of continuing formation will be awarded. **Please RSVP to deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org if you plan on attending.**

Committee for Revising the Archdiocesan Permanent Deacon Handbook

The Archdiocesan Permanent Deacon Handbook is in need of a revision. It has been over 10 years since the handbook was revised. I would like to form a committee of deacons to participate in the review and revision of the handbook over the course of the next few months. We would meet virtually via Microsoft Teams. If you would like to participate as a member of the revision team, please send an e-mail to me at deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org. I appreciate your consideration.

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Requiescet in pace

Deacon John Collins	Ordained April 28, 2007	Died April 9, 2022
Deacon John Gobbi	Ordained June 22, 1985	Died April 12, 2022



"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual Light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen."

Necrology - May

May 1, 2008	Deacon Alan Arber	Ordained 7/3/82
May 4, 2007	Delia Steward	
May 4, 2019	Mary Grace Sunderman	
May 6, 1995	Deacon Robert L. Meyer	Ordained 6/21/86
May 8, 2011	Anita Runnels	
May 15, 2018	Mary Saluke	
May 16, 2011	Deacon John Wersching	Ordained 7/28/79
May 19, 2014	Deacon John Holthaus	Ordained 9/26/98
May 20, 2020	Deacon Philip Kenzora	Ordained 4/30/16
May 23, 1998	Deacon Eldon Cotterman	Ordained 6/21/86
May 24, 2003	Deacon Howard Wiehe	Ordained 9/23/95
May 25, 2007	Mary Miller	
May 26, 1999	Deacon John Cooper	Ordained 9/26/76
May 28, 2002	Mildred Kelly	

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This Month's Humor ...



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