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The Deacon Memo

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Adoration of the Magi by Jean Jouvenet (1644-1717)

***“When we understand the true gift coming to us at Christmas,
then we have found our reason to Rejoice!”***

It is with deep appreciation for your ministry to the people of God that I wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas! Each of you, in your own special and unique ways, bless God’s people through the generous sharing of your gifts of Word, Liturgy and

RADIATE CHRIST

Charity, the cornerstones of diaconal ministry. My prayer for you and your families is that the coming year will be filled with blessings and the joy that comes from giving from the heart. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Opportunity for Continuing Formation



Study The Mass with Archbishop Schnurr

As you may have seen announced by the Catholic Telegraph and through an earlier e-mail from me, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr is leading a special study of Word on Fire Ministries' video series *The Mass*, featuring Bishop Robert Barron. Participants in the study will receive a weekly email from Archbishop Schnurr from January 8 through February 12 with that week's 25-minute episode from the series and a brief video from Archbishop Schnurr containing his own insights. **These 6 sessions will account for 3 hours of Continuing Formation.** Since this takes place in 2023, it will count towards next year's requirement. **Participation is free**, takes just a few seconds to sign up and is open to everyone. [Click here to get signed up!](#)

Annual Reports Are Due by January 31

Annual reports for the year 2022 will be due to the Office of the Diaconate by January 31, 2023. The link to the online report can be found on the Secure Login section of the Diaconate pages of the Archdiocesan website. [Please click this link](#) to go to the Secure Login page. The password to enter the page is DEACONCOMMUNITY in all capital letters. Once in the Secure Login area, click on the Continuing Formation Report box and fill out the form. It will be e-mailed directly to the Office.

Remember, to be in Good Standing in the Archdiocese, each ACTIVE status deacon must submit an annual report, complete 10 hours of Continuing Formation each year, attend a retreat yearly, and be current with quarterly bulletins in the SafeParish system. Senior Status deacons are not required to submit an annual report, complete continuing formation or attend a retreat, but must be current in SafeParish.

Continuing Formation for 2023

Each year I try to offer a variety of workshops, seminars, virtual meetings and presentations designed to help you fulfill your Continuing Formation requirements. I would like to ask you for suggestions on topics and presenters that you would like to



see in 2023. What areas of ministry and spiritual formation would be beneficial and interesting to you? I will use those suggestions as I prepare for educational programs in the coming year. Please e-mail me with your thoughts and ideas. Thanks!

Seeking Information on Deacon William Petrie

I have a very unusual situation that I need your help with. The Archdiocese received a call on November 7 that Deacon William (Bill) Petrie had passed away. The call came into the general Archdiocesan number. The person who took the call did not get a name of the family member who made the call, did not get the date that he died or any other information. Deacon Bill was 100 years old and was living at the Western Hills Retirement Village in Delhi. But I have no contact information for anyone in his family. I have tried many ways to contact his family, including his old but have had no success.

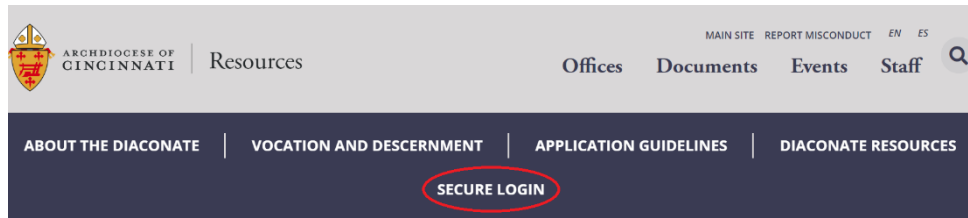
Deacon Bill was ordained on September 26, 1976, making him one of the very first deacons ordained in the Archdiocese. If anyone has any information that can help me contact his family, please let me know. I appreciate any assistance you can provide.

Looking for a Deacon Support group?



The Saint Stephen's Motley Men cordially extend an open invitation to attend their next meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 2:00 PM at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish located at 17 Farragut Road in Greenhills. The Motley Men are looking for new members to break open the Word, discuss the blessings and challenges of ministry, Beacons of Light and support each other. The host for the meeting is Deacon Henry Jacquez. To RSVP or get additional information please contact Henry at henryquezzzer@gmail.com or (513) 505-2070.

Deacon Information on Website Has Been Updated



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PERMANENT DIACONATE

The deacon information on the **Secure Login** section of the Archdiocesan website has been updated. The **Deacon Directory**, which contains name, address, parish family, phone numbers and other information, has been updated with current data. The **Deacon Necrology** and **Spouse Necrology** lists have been updated as well. If you have a chance, please review your information to ensure that it is accurate.

You can follow [this link](#) to get you directly to the Secure Login section. Remember that the password to enter the section is DEACONCOMMUNITY in all caps. You can also get to the information by going to www.CatholicAoC.org, clicking on "Offices" at the top of the page, then "Permanent Diaconate", then "The Permanent Diaconate" link, and then the Secure Login link in the banner at the top of the page (see picture above).

Requiescet in pace

Deacon Gregg Rose

Ordained April 28, 2007

Died November 11, 2022



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

Necrology - January

January 4, 2008	Deacon Arthur Runnels	Ordained 9/26/76
January 5, 1997	Juanita McCormick	
January 5, 2001	Mary Borgerding	
January 8, 1995	Deacon Paul Hagedorn	Ordained 9/26/76

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January 9, 1991	Martha Brunner	
January 11, 2018	Deacon Thomas Strodbeck	Ordained 9/26/98
January 12, 2007	Deacon Raymond Blum	Ordained 12/10/72
January 12, 2021	Janet Geraci	
January 14, 2019	Gail Convery	
January 15, 1986	Deacon August Hehemann, Jr.	Ordained 9/25/76
January 15, 2018	Mary Strodbeck	
January 19, 2009	Deacon Robert Correale	Ordained 9/26/98
January 20, 1983	Deacon Ervin Henderson, Jr.	Ordained 7/3/82
January 24, 1972	Deacon Alphonso Herman	Ordained 8/2/71



This Month's Humor ...



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