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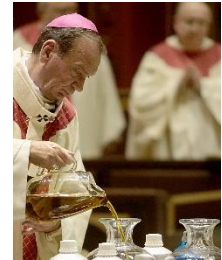
Office of the Diaconate



The Deacon Memo February, 2023

Chrism Mass - April 4

Archbishop Schnurr will celebrate the Chrism Mass at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Peter in Chains. As in the past, deacons are invited to vest and process. We will meet in Synod Hall in the undercroft of the Cathedral. Please RSVP to me (mmachuga@catholicaoc.org) if you plan to participate so that we can allocate the proper number of pews.



Tuition Reduction for Permanent Deacons at Mount St. Mary's



I'm happy to announce a **new partnership between the Office of the Diaconate and Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology**. A new benefit has been established for all permanent deacons in the Archdiocese that provides a 50% tuition reduction for any course taken at Mount St. Mary's. This benefit is a combination of a generous 25% tuition waiver from the seminary, coupled with a 25% tuition grant from two deacon memorial funds established for the Office of the Diaconate. This new program will enable deacons to take any course at Mount St. Mary's and receive a 50% reimbursement of the tuition.

If you are interested in participating in this tuition reduction program, please email me and I can provide more details on how the program will work. This is just one more way to fulfill the annual requirement of 10 hours of Continuing Formation.

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Continuing Formation Opportunity

The Institute of Catholic Culture is sponsoring a four-part series “Thy Kingdom Come: A Study of the Gospel of Matthew”. Dr. John Bergsma, Professor of Theology at the Franciscan University of Steubenville, will lead the series via Zoom. The program will be a series of four, 1-hour lectures on consecutive evenings at 8:00 pm, beginning on Monday, February 27 and running through Thursday, March 2.



You can register for the series at the Institute of Catholic Culture website at [this link](#). There is no charge for the program. This would fulfill 4 hours of Continuing Formation for deacons.

Save the Date! Deacon Regional Meetings



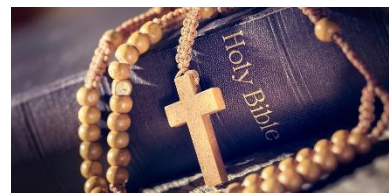
Who says there’s no free lunch? Well in this case, it’s free dinner! The Spring Regional Meetings have been scheduled. Enjoy an evening of fellowship with the entire deacon community for dinner, communal Evening Prayer, a speaker and updates from the Office of the Diaconate. RSVP’s will be coming later in a separate e-mail for this free event. For now, please put the date on your calendar!

- Cincinnati – Thursday, April 20, 6:30 pm at St. Mary Parish, Hyde Park
- Dayton – Tuesday, May 2, 6:00 pm at St. Paul Parish, Englewood
- North – Wednesday, May 3, 6:00 pm at the Spiritual Center at Maria Stein

Our speaker will be Deacon Mike Lippman, the new Director of the Office for Pastoral Planning for the Center for Parish Vitality at the Archdiocese. Deacons and wives, single/widower deacons, widows of deacons, and men in formation and wives are all invited! Looking forward to seeing you then.

Retreat Schedule 2023

To allow you to plan for your 2023 retreat, here is the schedule for the retreats offered by the Office of the Diaconate.



St. Meinrad Retreat

- ❖ September 12-14, 2023
- ❖ St. Meinrad Archabbey
- ❖ Retreat Master – Fr. Adrian Burke
- ❖ Cost TBD
- ❖ RSVP to Deacon Andy Rammel at andy.rammel@gmail.com

Maria Stein Retreat

- ❖ October 6-8, 2023
- ❖ Spiritual Center at Maria Stein
- ❖ Cost \$125; \$90 for Senior Status deacons
- ❖ RSVP to Deacon Mark Machuga at mmachuga@catholicaoc.org
(registration form will be distributed closer to the retreat)

Requiescet in pace

Deacon Harold Dipple, Jr.

Ordained June 20, 1987

Died February 9, 2023



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

Necrology – March

March 2, 2009 Shirley Dipple
March 4, 2006 Marge Thamann
March 5, 2015 Deacon Paul Kluener
March 6, 2021 Susan Collins
March 6, 1995 Deacon Gilbert Lozier
March 10, 1999 Audrey Hehemann
March 11, 2015 Mary Kay Wong
March 12, 2019 Mary Beth Feie
March 14, 1995 Deacon Delmar Palmer
March 14, 2011 Deacon Allen Miller
March 17, 2012 Deacon Herschel Steward
March 23, 2022 Becky Duffy



Ordained 7/28/79

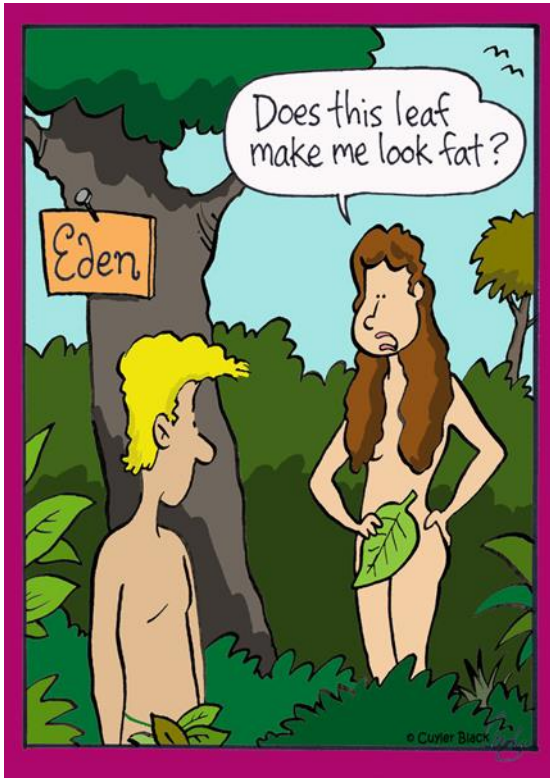
Ordained 9/26/76

Ordained 6/20/87

Ordained 7/3/82

Ordained 6/21/86

This Month's Humor ...



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