

# Are You Called to Be a Deacon?

## Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Minister of the Word · Minister at the Altar · Minister of Charity



Through the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, all believers are called to share in the mission of Jesus Christ according to the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Those who are ordained also offer service in the world, but in a way proper to the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Christian service for the ordained minister entails proclaiming, preaching and teaching God's Word, leading the community in prayer and in sacramental liturgies and exercising administrative leadership in the Church. It is a lifetime commitment.



***What distinguishes the permanent deacon from the lay person is that the permanent deacon, who may be married, is a member of the clergy and shares in the hierarchy of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.*** He has been ordained to assist the bishop in his doctrinal, sacramental and charitable ministry both publicly and permanently. Through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the deacon is configured to Christ the Servant. It is Christ the Servant who acts through the ministry of the deacon.

***Learn More...***

**2016 Permanent Diaconate Information Night**

**Thursday, April 21, 2016**

**7:00 PM - 9:00PM**

**Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary**

**Vianney Auditorium**

**100 East Wynnewood Road**

**Wynnewood, PA 19096**

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

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