

ORDAINED DEACONS SERVE THROUGH THE WORD, LITURGY AND CHARITY.

Following the Second Vatican Council, the Permanent Diaconate was restored as an ordained ministry in the Church. In the United States, the Diaconate was restored in 1968 and has now grown to almost 17,000 deacons and 2,500 men in formation to become deacons.

To learn more about the requirements for entering the application phase for becoming a permanent deacon:

- Talk with your pastor
- Contact your Diocesan Director of Diaconate Formation

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DO YOU FEEL CALLED
TO SERVE GOD'S PEOPLE
AS AN ORDAINED DEACON
IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT
**THE ORDER OF
DEACON**

"... A DRIVING FORCE FOR THE CHURCH'S SERVICE..."
— POPE PAUL VI

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THE OFFICE LISTED ON THE BACK PAGE.

CATHOLIC DEACONS

... ORDAINED TO SERVE ALL GOD'S PEOPLE.



DEACONS PROCLAIM THE WORD

Deacons proclaim the Gospel and preach the message of Jesus. At their ordination, the bishop says: "Take this book of Holy Scripture and be faithful in handing on the Word of God so that it may grow strong in the hearts of His people."



DEACONS SERVE AT THE LITURGY

Deacons assist at Mass, preside at baptisms, Communion services, wakes and funerals. Deacons also witness weddings and lead Benediction and prayer services.



DEACONS SERVE AS MINISTERS OF CHARITY

Deacons are ministers of charity and justice. They are dedicated to building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of our modern world.

Because deacons and their families live in their own communities and work in the world they are uniquely positioned and deeply involved in promoting Catholic social teaching.

