

**Post Ordination Formation**  
**Ordination Class of 2018**  
**Three-Year Program**



**To Serve Him, We Need to  
Know Him and Love Him.**



**Date: February, 2018**

**Post Ordination Formation**  
**Three (3)-Year Schedule**  
**Ordination Class of 2018**

<b><u>Year 1</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Class 1	September 15, 2018	4 Regions – Remote
Class 2	January 12, 2019	4 Regions - Remote
Class 3	February 2019 (First Saturday)	CE Session (2 to 4PM)

**Duration of 3 Years with Dates and Locations**

<b><u>Year 3</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Class 1	May 2, 2020	4 Regions – Remote
Class 2	September 19, 2020	4 Regions - Remote
Class 3	February 2021 (First Saturday)	CE Session (2 to 4PM)

<b><u>Year 2</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Class 1	May 4, 2019	4 Regions – Remote
Class 2	September 21, 2019	4 Regions - Remote
Class 3	February 2020 (First Saturday)	CE Session (2 to 4PM)

**Post Ordination Formation**  
**Year 1 Curriculum**

## Ordination Class of 2018

### Words of Ordination – Believe, Teach, Practice

Reflect on what these “Words of Ordination mean to you”

<u>Curriculum</u>
Believe what you read
Teach what you believe
Practice what you teach
Wives – Challenges This First Year

#### **Class 1 Reflection Thoughts - Believe what you read**

What have you discovered about your spiritual journey after ordination and your belief in God? Base your response on your daily prayer life, ongoing reflections, and your responsibility in proclaiming the Gospel.

#### **Class 2 Reflection Thoughts - Teach what you believe**

How has your ministry evolved in teaching the faith? Incorporate how you see your role as teacher within different environments of your ministry.

#### **Class 3 Reflection Thoughts - Practice what you teach**

During this first year, what challenges have you encountered in being the Deacon you were called to be? Take into account secular and religious environments - family, work, social, parish, diocese, etc.

Wives Discussion - “Challenges This First Year”

### **Post Ordination Formation** **Year 2 Curriculum**

## Ordination Class of 2018

### Three-Fold Ministry of Word, the Altar, Charity

Reflect on what this “Three-Fold Ministry means to you”

<u>Curriculum</u>
Ministry of the Word
Ministry of the Altar
Ministry of Charity
Wives – My Ministry and Supporting His

#### **Class 1 Reflection Thoughts - Ministry of Word**

What methods and resources do you use and how do you get ready to proclaim and teach God’s Word? Take into account different settings such as nursing home, hospital, home, church, prison, school, etc.

#### **Class 2 Reflection Thoughts - Ministry of the Altar**

Describe your experiences good and bad in preparing for and being part of various Sacraments and Liturgies of the Church. Reflect on your role at the Mass, Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals, Benedictions, etc.

#### **Class 3 Reflection Thoughts - Ministry of Charity**

During these two years characterize your opportunities and experiences in serving those in need – the poor, aged, sick, imprisoned, youth, etc. What difficulties have you encountered in these two years in this area?

Wives Discussion - “My Ministry and Supporting His”

### **Post Ordination Formation** **Year 3 Curriculum**

## Ordination Class of 2018

### Dimensions of Formation: Human, Spiritual, Intellectual, Pastoral

Reflect on these “Dimensions in your ministry and life”

<u>Curriculum</u>
Human / Intellectual Formation
Spiritual Formation
Pastoral Formation
Wives – Continuing the Journey

#### Class 1 Reflection Thoughts - Human / Intellectual Dimensions

As you look back on your ministry, what personal goal will help you further develop the human dimension and what personal goal will help you develop the intellectual dimension of your own formation?

#### Class 2 Reflection Thoughts - Spiritual Dimension

How has your spiritual life changed in these first years after ordination? Take into account formation areas such as daily prayer, spiritual renewal, reconciliation, reflection, ongoing education, spiritual direction, etc. What challenges and obstacles have you had to overcome?

#### Class 3 Reflection Thoughts - Pastoral Dimension

Based on your ministry today, how will you continue to gain insight and be open to continued evaluation of your pastoral skills? Give example of how you used input to overcome challenges these first 3 years.

Wives Discussion - “Continuing the Journey”

### Post Ordination Formation

## Responsibilities for Program and Support Couple Process Ordination Class of 2018

### Responsibilities

#### Newly Ordained and Wife

- Be the Deacon and Family God Calls You To Be
- Seek Guidance and Support
- Choose a Support Couple to be there for you within the first month of ordination or before

#### Support Couple (One for each Newly Ordained and Wife)

- Be help and ongoing support for new deacon and wife
- Talk regularly and as needed

#### Regional Coordinators

- Monitor Support Couple relationship for new deacons and wives within region
- Assist in facilitating Formation Class sessions as needed

#### Director

- Establish and Maintain Formation Program and Schedule
  - Facilitate Formation Class sessions
- Sessions - Day, Duration and Content
- ✓ 2 Hours: Prayer - Topic Review - Experiences - Reinforcement
  - ✓ Saturday morning for class 1 and 2 with Remote settings originating from the Pastoral Center. (10:30AM to 12:30PM)
  - ✓ Saturday afternoon for class 3 with Face-to-Face setting after the Continuing Education session. (2PM to 4PM)
  - ✓ 3 Abby Press Booklets – “Step by Step” / “To be and to Serve” and “Serving With Joy”