

DOSP Ongoing Formation in Diaconal Ministry



The tracks listed below have been developed for the Ongoing Formation for the Diaconate in the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Each session in any of the tracks is considered 3 Ongoing Formation Hours. Deacons who have been ordained 5 years or less are expected to complete 25 hours of Ongoing Formation each year. Deacons in active ministry ordained over five years are expected to complete 15 hours of Ongoing Formation each year, starting July 1 and ending the following year, June 30. Post Ordination Year 2 and Year 3 tracks are the first two required as Post Ordination Formation for the newly ordained.

Post Ordination Year 2

- 1. Spirituality of the Diaconate
- 2. Mentoring in Ministry
- 3. The Parish as a Workplace
- 4. The Family as the Context of Catechesis
- 5. Personality and Profile of a Successful PCL
- 6. Giving Counsel & Pastoral Care
- 7. Conversion in Modern Culture
- 8. The Kerygma: Key Doctrines
- 9. Dealing with Crisis & Conflict from a Christian Perspective

Post Ordination Year 3

- 1. Theology of the Diaconate, Parts I & II
- 2. The Deposit of Faith: Introduction to the Catechism
- 3. Our Life in Christ: The Basics of Catholic Morality.
- 4. Scripture: The Driving Force of Doctrine
- 5. Scripture: The Heart of Catechesis
- 6. Kerygma: Delivering the Gospel Proclamation
- 7. Adult Catechetical Methodology & Learning Styles
- 8. A Foundational Vision: Theology of the Body
- 9. General Introduction to Adolescent Development

Pastoral Care & Essentials of Life

- 1. The Human Person in God's Loving Plan
- 2. Building the Mentoring Relationship: Empathic Listening
- 3. Building the Mentoring Relationship: Asking Good Questions
- 4. Discipling Adults.
- 5. Catholic Social Teaching
- 6. The Reality of a Culture of Death
- 7. The History of the Culture of the Death and Catholic Strategy
- 8. Unlocking the 3rd Pillar of the Catechism
- 9. Bioethics: Fertility

Evangelization & RCIA

- 1. The Catechumenal Process: a Modern Restoration of an Ancient Practice.
- 2. Three Approaches to the RCIA Process
- 3. Liturgical Components of the Christian Initiation Process
- 4. Catechetical Components of Christian Initiation Process
- 5. Pastoral Components of the Christian Initiation Process
- Developing a Team: Creative in Environment for Conversion.
- 7. Teaching Catechesis for Conversion
- 8. Being Guided and Guiding Souls
- 9. An Introduction to Spiritual Combat.

Mentoring in the Diaconate

- 1. Mentoring in Ministry
- 2. Personal Vocation and the Mentoring Relationship
- 3. Diaconal Formation: Building the Mentoring Relationship: Asking Good Questions
- 4. Diaconal Formation: Building the Mentoring Relationship: Empathic Listening

Family Life

- 1. Philosophical Foundations of Catechetics
- 2. Jesus, The Christocentricity of Catechesis
- 3. Introduction to Objective Truth
- 4. Family: Domestic Church & School of Holiness
- 5. Theology of the Family
- 6. Fostering Holiness in Children
- 7. Parent Saints
- 8. Shifting to Family Centered Formation.
- 9. Pedagogy of Revelation & Response of Faith

Youth Catechesis & Formation

- 1. A vision for Effective Youth Ministry
- 2. Catechetical Mentorship
- 3. First Penance and First Eucharist Preparation
- 4. Confirmation Preparation
- 5. Parenting with Families in Youth Ministry
- 6. Effective Catechesis in Youth Ministry
- 7. Methods and Practical Skills for Youth Ministry
- 8. Engaging Youth Culture
- 9. A Foundational Vision: Community of the Family

Adult Catechesis & Formation

- Planning for Success: Program Organization and Assessment
- 2. Understanding the Liturgy
- 3. The Human Person
- 4. Catechesis: Echoing What God has Revealed
- 5. Essential Link Between Liturgy and Catechesis
- 6. A Guide to Echoing the Mystery: Unlocking the Deposit of Faith in Catechesis
- 7. The Ecclesial Method
- 8. The Vocation of the Catechist
- 9. Analyzing Doctrine with Doctrinal Keys

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