



INSTITUTE FOR DIACONAL STUDIES ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Exploring the Permanent Diaconate

THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO CONSIDER A VOCATION may sometimes be a gentle voice in the soul or a personal longing in our hearts. It may be the urging of friends or spouses. It can also find birth in the invitation of parish leaders or pastors to pursue inquiry.

No matter the source of our questions each of us needs to be affirmed and encouraged to bring a call to a vocation to prayerful discernment.

The INSTITUTE FOR DIACONAL STUDIES (IDS) of the Archdiocese of Chicago invites all men who feel the gentle nudge of the Holy Spirit to attend "Exploring the Permanent Diaconate." It is a time to pray, dialogue and learn more about the discernment process and the formational activity that aspirants and candidates pursue.

In the context of Eucharist, men exploring the potential of a vocation engage dialogue and prayer in search of the next step.

Please join us!

"Exploring the Permanent Diaconate"

*Mass (Sunday dates), prayer and dialogue on the path toward an ordained lifestyle as a permanent deacon at **Cardinal Stritch Retreat House** located on the campus of the University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois
- ½ mile west of Butterfield Road on Route 176 across from Carmel High School*

Thursday, September 15, 2011 - 7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, October 19, 2011 - 7:30 P.M.

Sunday, November 20, 2011 - 12:00 P.M.

Sunday, February 19, 2012 - 12:00 P.M.

Please R.S.V.P. the Deacon Jim Cozzo, Jr., at jcozzo@usml.edu with the date you will be attending. Wives should accompany husband (inquirer). Inquirers need only attend one session.

The Next Step

Please call Jim Cozzo, Jr. at 847-837-4563 to arrange a personal visit from a *Vocation Liaison*. The liaison will be available throughout your inquiry journey to aid discernment and the potential application process.

