

Appendix D6

Parish Discernment Group report to the Bishop and Director of Deacons

This appendix is for the use of the parish discernment group at the end of their ministry discernment process. It forms the basis of the group's joint recommendation to the bishop and director of deacons concerning the applicant's candidacy. The contents of this report will be shared with the applicant by the bishop or director of deacons, the clergy leader, and one member of the discernment group (usually, the convener.)

Please email, or deliver in hard copy, to the bishop and the director of deacons one typed evaluation completed on behalf of the entire Parish Discernment Group.

Note: Type in the shaded areas below – they will expand as you type.

Applicant's Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Parish: Click or tap here to enter text.

Incumbent: Click or tap here to enter text.

Parish Discernment Group Convener: Click or tap here to enter text.

Names of Parish Discernment Group Members:

1. Click or tap here to enter text.
text.

Parish Position: Click or tap here to enter

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Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability, giving specific examples. These questions are to be answered by the parish discernment team as a group.

1. List the dates on which you met with the applicant, and what was discussed or explained in each meeting.

Click or tap here to enter text.

2. What do you perceive to be the applicant's understanding of Christian ministry?

Click or tap here to enter text.

3. In the group's conversations with the applicant on the Criteria for Ordination to the Diaconate, what have you identified as the applicant's strengths? What areas have you identified that need continued development?

Click or tap here to enter text.

4. What do you perceive to be the applicant's understanding of their vocation to ordained diaconal ministry and how was it clearly articulated?

Click or tap here to enter text.

5. How does the applicant's past and current ministry (in the world, at home, or in the church) exemplify the particular qualities of a deacon? Please be specific.

Click or tap here to enter text.

6. What is your impression of the applicant's intellectual, emotional and spiritual capacities?

Intellectual: Click or tap here to enter text.

Emotional: Click or tap here to enter text.

Spiritual: Click or tap here to enter text.

7. Are there any physical or emotional conditions that would limit the applicant's ability to engage in ordained ministry that you know of? If yes, please describe.

Click or tap here to enter text.

8. What is your general sense of the applicant's suitability for ordination?

Click or tap here to enter text.

9. Are there any other factors that you consider significant?

Click or tap here to enter text.

10. Do you recommend that the applicant continue to the next phase of the diocesan discernment process? *(This is an important step, and would entail any or all of: attendance at a diocesan discernment conference, being named a "postulant" by the bishop, and working with the director of deacons on a learning plan.)*

Yes:

No:

Not at this time:

Please elaborate:

Click or tap here to enter text.

Add name above each title and sign in the opposite box.

Click or tap here to enter text. Convener	
Click or tap here to enter text. Incumbent or Clergy Leader	

Click or tap here to enter text. Applicant	
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Date