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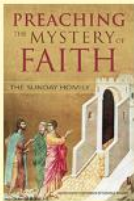
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HOMILETICS

Welcome to the USCCB Website for Homiletics

In November 2012, the bishops of the United States approved the document [Preaching the Mystery of Faith: The Sunday Homily](#). In it, they call for the publication of practical resources for preaching. The bishops offer these resources for the renewal of preaching in our country. On these web pages, you will find:

- [Church documents](#) pertaining to the preaching ministry
- Resource materials for annual [Thematic Sunday](#) observances of the USCCB and the Holy See
- Resource materials for thematic Sundays archived throughout the year
- [Training resources](#) for students and teachers of homiletics
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Homiletics Resources

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[World Marriage Day](#)

Upcoming Conference

University of Notre Dame, June 25-27, 2014
[To All the World: Preaching & The New Evangelization](#)

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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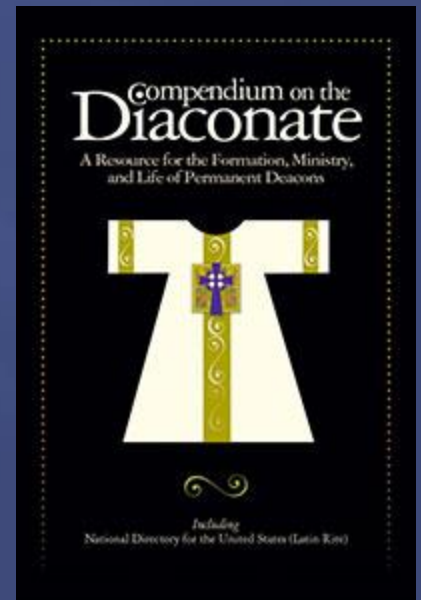
CANONIZATION OF TWO POPES

USCCB Compendium

- ▣ Gathering of important sources on the diaconate
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 - Magisterial
 - Recent Holy See & USCCB Documents

- ▣ A resource for deacon formation

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CCLV Theme for Ongoing Formation of Clergy 2015

- ▣ Marriage and the Pastoral Care of the Family
 - Eighth World Meeting of Families will be held in September 2015 in Philadelphia
 - Third Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, “Pastoral Challenges to the Family in the Context of Evangelization” (October 2015)
 - Links to special resources developed by St. Luke Institute and IPF on www.usccb.org/diaconate

CCLV Theme for Ongoing Formation of Clergy 2016

- ▣ To foster holiness within the family through a more intimate relationship with Christ.
 - Prayerful reflection on one's encounter of the Risen Christ is a vital component in discerning a call to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Consecrated Life or Marriage.
 - Preparation of parents for the sacraments (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation)
 - Preaching to develop an intimate relationship with Christ through prayer
 - Role of the deacon in promoting vocation awareness in the family.
 - Revised Rite of Marriage

CCLV Annual Survey Results

- ▣ Post-Ordination Survey of Deacons 2013/2014
- ▣ Profession Class of 2014
- ▣ Ordination Class of 2015

CCLV Vocation Survey Results

- ▣ Youth involvement in Church is critical for vocations;
- ▣ Consistent underrepresentation of Hispanic/Latinos and strong presence of Asians in Religious & Priesthood classes.
- ▣ College debt a growing factor
 - 26% of newly ordained affected / \$23,000
 - 7% of newly professed / \$16,000

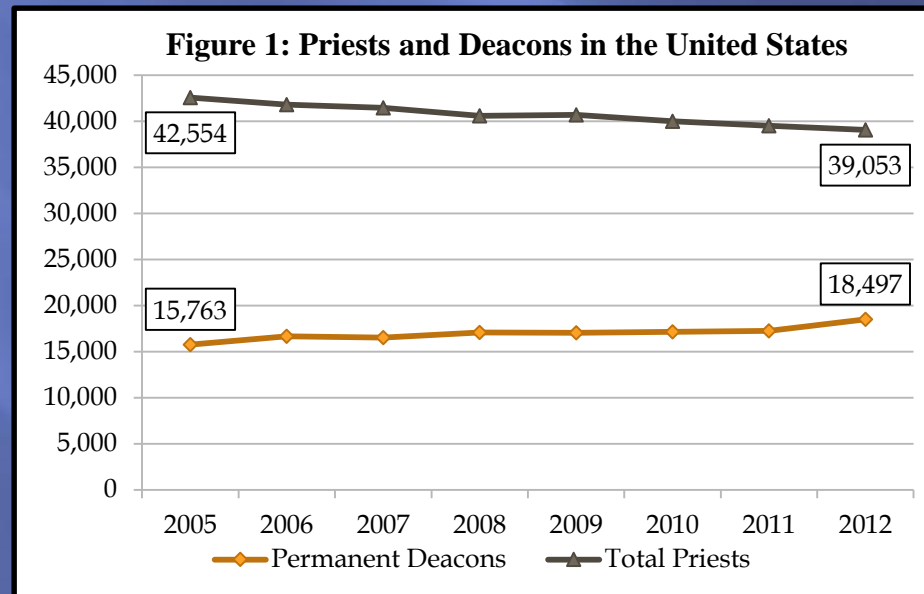
CCLV Vocation Survey Results

- ▣ Encouragement is a critical factor
 - 1 encourager | twice as likely
 - 3 encouragers | five times as likely

- ▣ Deacon Encouragers
 - Profession Class of 2014: 6%
 - Ordination Class of 2015: 10%

Survey of Deacons

- Deacons 2005: 15,763 | 2012: 18,497 (3%↑ per year)
- Priests 2005: 42,500 | 2012: 39,000 (1%↓ per year)



Survey of Deacons

▣ Select Demographics

- 18,725 (15,191 active)
- 81% active; 15% retired; 2% inactive; 1% suspended; 1% leave of absence
- 93% married; 4% widowed; 2% never-married; <1% divorced; <1% remarried

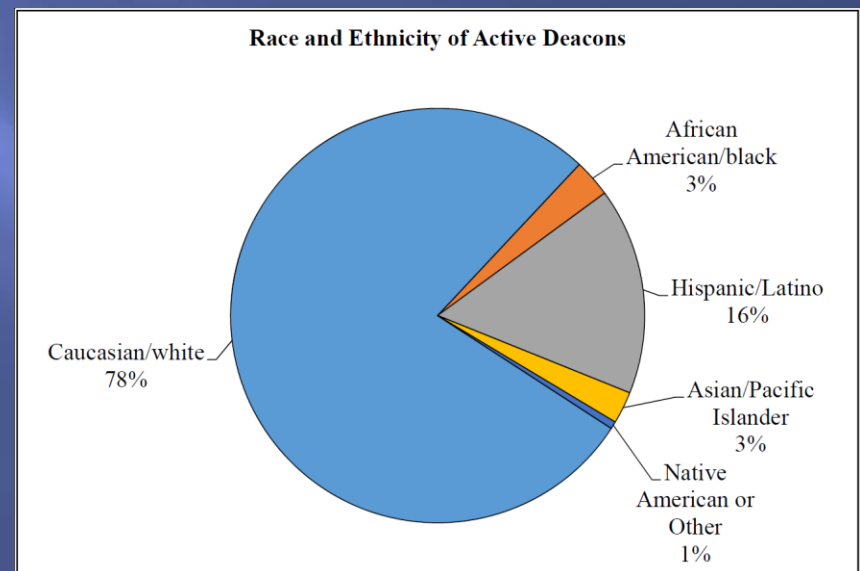
Survey of Deacons

▣ Select Demographics

- 94% are 50 or older; 42% are 60 or older; 28% are 70 or older
- 60% have a college degree; 11% graduate degree in theology/ministry

Survey of Deacons

- ▣ Race
 - 78% non-Hispanic whites;
 - 16% Hispanic;
 - 3% African American;
 - 3% Asian



Survey of Deacons

Changes in the Diaconate Over Time

Totals from Responding Dioceses/Eparchies*

	2013	2012	2011
Requested laicization	19	19	25
Granted laicization	15	7	13
Dispensed from the impediment of orders	1	5	3
Remarried after dispensation	1	3	8
Remarried without dispensation	3	8	12
Divorced/separated after ordination	8	14	22
Entered the priesthood	12	4	6
Retired from active ministry	355	294	231
Died	237	217	195

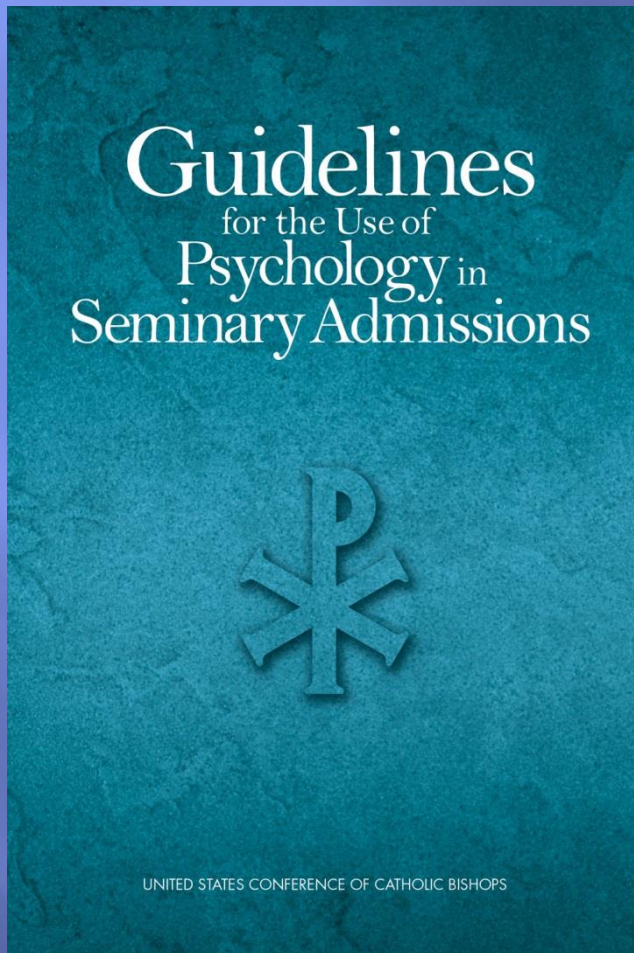
National Directory

- ▣ *Recognitio* expired October 2014
- ▣ In 2013 CCLV conducted a formal consultation on the *National Directory*
 - NADD, September 2013
 - Bishops, November 2013
 - Canonical Affairs & Church Governance Committee, December 2013
- ▣ Simple renewal of *recognitio* without any changes for another 5-years granted

National Directory, 2nd Edition

- ▣ Planning for drafting a 2nd edition will begin in June 2015
- ▣ Drafting process could begin as soon as fall 2015
- ▣ Consider blocking out time at upcoming conventions

CCLV Guidelines on Psychology



- ▣ Authorized March 2015
- ▣ Resource for bishops, vocation directors, rectors and psychologists
- ▣ Could be helpful for diaconate screening as well

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