

Steps Along The Way to Ordination

1. Feel a sense of God's calling to ministry – attend a Vocations Information Day, talk to your parish clergy, join Fellowship of Vocation.
2. With the agreement of Fellowship of Vocation's warden and your parish clergy, complete and send a "Notice of Interest" to Canon Michael Durning in the Diocesan Office.
3. A member of the Commission on Ministry will contact your parish clergy to help form a Lay Nomination Committee – this committee will work with the potential nominee to ensure all canonical requirements can be met and that full parish support is offered.
4. Once nominated by your congregation:
 - a) Accept the nomination in writing by completing the Holy Orders Admission Application.
 - b) Meet with the Commission on Ministry for Postulancy interview. This is a detailed interview looking at qualification and suitability for ordination training. If the Commission on Ministry recommends Postulancy, and the Bishop agrees and grants the status of Postulant, ordination training begins and continued discernment of vocation takes place. Background, medical, and psychological tests will also be required.
5. With satisfactory reports from ordination training, background, medical, and psychological tests, and with the backing of the Commission on Ministry and Standing Committee of the Diocese, the Bishop may grant the Postulant the status of Candidate for ordination.
6. Upon successful completion of ordination training, and with the backing of Commission on Ministry, Standing Committee, and Bishop; the Candidate may be ordained.