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Release Announcement

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Diaconate Program



Ordination of
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Program Graduate 2011

Strategic Area: Liturgical Life

Goal: Establish Metropolis guidelines for admission into the Archdiocesan Diaconate Program and guidelines for the successful completion of the program.

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Program Description

The Archdiocesan Diaconate Program is an educational and formational initiative of the Holy Eparchial Synod of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. The program is intended for individuals who are interested in serving the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America as deacons and is designed to prepare these candidates for service to the Church. Additional information on this program may be found at http://www.hchc.edu/academics/diaconate_program or by contacting Fr. Steven Tschlis directly.

Current Status: The program is fully developed and available through Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. There is currently one candidate participating in the program with four additional candidates in the application phase. Plans for a Metropolis Deacon's Retreat are currently in development and will be announced shortly.

Recommended Parish Action: Information Only; Please include this announcement in your regular Parish Strategic Plan update communications.

Anticipated Parish Impact: Very low