

EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

October 1, 2025: **Continuing Formation Report due**

November 15, 2025: Men's Conference - Parish of the Holy Family, Gates

<https://www.stbernards.edu/events/mens-conference-2025> **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

NOV.1

December 14, 2025: Rites of Institution to Lector and Acolyte, Sacred Heart Cathedral,
11:15AM Mass

September 11-13, 2026: Annual SSDCA Retreat, Notre Dame Retreat House,
Canandaigua

Deacons who are required to submit a Continuing Formation Report are kindly reminded to send it along - due date is October 1 - and the Deacon Personnel Board is appreciative of your consideration of this requirement. As of this writing we're only at a 57% return rate. Thank you!

****Prayer Request from Peggy Brown:** Peggy is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on December 1 and would appreciate our community's prayers for a successful procedure and a comfortable recuperation. Thank you. ***Peggy Brown, 6 Cross Gates Road, Rochester NY 14606***

Continuing Formation Resources:

November 6, Shults Lecture at SBSTM <https://www.stbernards.edu/events/shults-lecture-2025> (in person or virtual)

New book on the diaconate: *Embodied in Service, Emboldened by Grace: The Unbroken Thread of Diaconal Ministry*, <https://www.deaconwallycalabrese.com/product-page/embodied-in-service-emboldened-by-grace>

Josephinum Diaconate Institute, Pontifical College Josephinum, <https://connect.pcj.edu/#/public-dashboard> - recently released on-line courses