



Trumpeter

A newsletter for the Sioux City Diocese Deacon Community



Trumpeter Newsletter Inaugurated

Ta-dah! Here it is! The initial edition of our new deacon community newsletter, *Trumpeter*. Everyone is invited to submit both news and thoughts or reflections.

We intend to publish each edition in the last week of the month, for the month ahead. Deadline for submission of news or articles will be one week before

the end of the month—October 24 and November 23 for the next two editions. Of course, early submissions will be appreciated.

Our editors are David Lopez (davidl@sdiocese.org) and Dawn Prosser (smalumni@iw.net) We thank Dawn for her generous help in getting this off the ground.

If we have a current e-mail address for you, you will receive the newsletter as a PDF attachment. If we don't, we'll mail you a hard copy. Also, we will attempt to post each newsletter on the diocesan website: www.sdiocese.org.

We hope you enjoy this new edition of *Trumpeter*!

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Upcoming events:

- *October 22—Bishop's Dinner in Sioux City*
- *November 4—Day of Reflection in Early*
- *December 1—Deacon Christmas party in Cherokee*

Continuing Formation

Thanks to everyone who responded to my survey asking for your preferences for continuing formation.

I'm stilling trying to digest the wealth of information you've given me and I hope to announce some sort of schedule for available formation options

for this year when we meet in Early on November 4. Please keep ears to the ground for more information from me.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Please continue to pray for the recover of Don Kunkel and Madonna Kunecke from their surgeries in September.

Also, Linda Miller from the Chancery, who helps us by preparing the prayer booklets and worship aids we use for our gatherings, had surgery the first week of October.

Please pray for her recovery.

Notable October dates:

October 4:
Molly MacDonald birthday

October 11:
Judy Forrest birthday
Phil Doocy birthday

October 12:
Tom and Sarah Morgan Anniversary

October 16:
Bill Schroeder birthday

October 22:
Gerry and Ellen Streit anniversary
Bob Wiskus birthday
Phil and Jane Doocy Anniversary

October 25:
Peter Hart birthday

October 28
Judy Wiskus birthday

David Lopez notes

FALL DAY OF REFLECTION

Our day of Reflection this fall will be in Early on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. We're planning a workshop on the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM). If you

have a copy, please bring it with you.

REMINDERS

Service agreement forms are to be returned to Dcn. Tim Murphy as soon as possible. Membership dues are to be sent to Dcn. Larry Sitzman.

If you were one the ten deacons who have forgotten to pay your annual dues of \$10 prompt payment would be appreciated. Thank you!



David Lopez



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Recommended Readings

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RECOMMENDED READING FOR DEACONS FROM OUR BISHOP

Instruction On The Eucharist (Redemptionis Sacrasmentum pr 1988

The Eucharist stands at the center of the Church's life. And through the centuries, the celebration of this great mystery of faith has been invested with reverence, care, Devotion, and love.

In this instruction, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, in collaboration with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, sets forth the liturgical norms for the celebration and adoration of the Holy Eucharist, prepared to ensure that this supreme act of worship is closely observed with the sacredness it demands.

As states by Pope John Paul II in his encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, this mystery "is too great for anyone to feel free to treat it lightly."

The work outlines the sacred responsibilities of the bishops, priests and deacons, as well as the participation of the lay faithful and addresses a range of concerns regarding Holy Communion and Mass. 84 pages.



**Contact Dcn. Larry
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Introduction To The Order Of The Mass: A Pastoral Resource Of The Bishop's Commit- tee On The Liturgy pr 1689

An essential resource for "liturgical formation of the People of God," Introduction to the Order of Mass offers a detailed guide to the celebration of the Mass, from introductory to concluding rites.

An accompaniment to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, the pastoral Introduction provides scriptural and historical context for the acts, objects, materials, symbols, rites, and prayers of the Mass—and in so doing help all reach fuller and more active participation.

As the Introduction makes clear, the celebration of the Mass is the work of the whole body of Christ; the ministers and other members of the congregation have a part in the action and contribution to make."

Whether a priest or deacon, lector or liturgical musician, server, usher or gathered assembly, Introduction to the Order of the Mass provides the insight, guidance, and specific suggestions on how each may enrich his understanding and participation in that most glorious of celebrations, "for the good of the whole and for the glory of God. 113 pages.

General Instruction Of The Roman Missal:

Liturgy Documentary Series 2 pr 0967

Nearly four hundred years in the making, the third edition of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal underscores the nature and importance of the Sacred Liturgy in the life of the Church, and the central place of the Eucharist in the life of the faithful.

This volume retains many of the Churches most ancient expressions of the faith, while amending others to meet the concerns of the modern era. Fully indexed, the book covers in detail the duties and functions of the ministers and people of God; and how each is to be ritually performed; and highlights the roles of song, posture, and movement. 156 pages.

Ministry And The Family Of The Permanent Deacon—New!

This honest account of living with the permanent diaconate relates the joys and struggles that are a part of the family's commitment to this ministry within the church. While incorporating the ideas of others, this story by Dottie Mraz, is told largely in the first person. It commences with the author's introduction to the diaconate as the wife of a deacon, includes her experience of ministry and widowhood, and concludes with updated information on her diocesan diaconate program and the changes in her personal life. 175 pages.

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