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CLERGY FORMATION

Memorandum

To: Deacons
From: Uli Schmitt, Director
Date: September 10, 2018
Re: Day of Continuing Education for Deacons

Dear Deacons

As we continue to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the restoration of the Permanent Diaconate, I would like to invite you to our continuing education day for all deacons and their wives on **Saturday, October 13th 2018** at St. John the Baptist parish in Folsom.

Deacon Dominic Cerrato Ph.D. will be our guest speaker. He is the editor of the newly revamped Deacon Digest magazine and will tie his work on the thoughts of St. John Paul II neatly into this hallmark celebration and joy for deacons and the church as a whole.

This Continuing Education day is required to meet Diaconal Policy requirements. Please review the attached flyer and register online at <https://scd.formstack.com/forms/continuingeducationday> or call Laura Rios at 916-733-0244.

Blessings

Uli Schmitt
Director of Clergy Formation

Celebrating 50 Years with a New Approach to the Diaconate Based on the Thought of St. John Paul II



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Vatican Media

DAY OF CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR DEACONS & SPOUSES *Día de Educación Continua para Diáconos y Esposas*

Saturday, October 13, 2018
St. John the Baptist Parish

307 Montrose Drive, Folsom, CA 95630

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Spanish translation available.

- 8:00 – 8:30** Registration and Hospitality
Registración y Hospitalidad
- 8:30** Lauds/*Laudes*
- 9:00 – 10:00** Laying the Groundwork
- 10:15 – 11:00** The Implications of St. John
Paul II's Personalist Thought
on the Diaconate
- 11:15 – 12:00** Small Group Discussions
Wives break out session
Discusiones en grupos
Sesión para las esposas
- 12:00 – 1:00** Lunch/*Almuerzo*
- 1:00 – 1:45** Plenary Session/*Plenario*
- 2:00 – 3:00** Rethinking the Origins
of the Diaconate
- 3:00 – 3:30** Questions and Answers
Preguntas y Respuestas
- 4:30 – 5:00** Vespers/*Visperas*
- 5:00 – 6:00** Mass/*Misa*
- 6:00 – 8:00** Dinner/*Cena*

DEACON DOMINIC CERRATO, PH.D.

is Executive Director of Diaconal Ministries and Director of Diaconal Formation for the Diocese of Joliet. He also offers spiritual direction through the Pastoral Solutions Institute and is editor of *Deacon Digest* magazine. Formerly, he served in full-time pastoral ministry specializing in adult faith formation. He has taught theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville and Duquesne University of the Holy Ghost. While at Franciscan University, Deacon Dominic also established and developed the Distance Learning Master's in Theology Program.

Deacon Dominic possesses a BA in Theology from Franciscan University, a MA in Theology from Duquesne University where he also completed his Ph.D. course work with a concentration in healthcare ethics. In 2009, he was awarded a Ph.D in Theology from the Graduate Theological Foundation.

Ordained in 1995 as the first permanent deacon of the Diocese of Steubenville, Deacon Dominic is a national speaker, author and retreat master. Beyond scholarly and popular articles, his book entitled, *In the Person of Christ the Servant*, will form the basis of the Conferences.

Deacon Dominic and his wife Judith have been married for 36 years and they have seven children and many grandchildren.



Please RSVP online by September 30, 2018:

**[scd.formstack.com/forms/
continuingeducationday](http://scd.formstack.com/forms/continuingeducationday)**

Questions? Contact Laura Rios:

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