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**Date:** October 12, 2015

**To:** Priests and Deacons in the Archdiocese of Atlanta

**From:** Deacon Dennis Dorner, Sr., Chancellor and Director of Permanent Diaconate

**Re:** Calendar for the 2016 Diaconate Formation Year

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As we move into the new Diaconate Formation Year, we want to share with you the calendar for 2016.

We invite you to celebrate with the men in Diaconate Formation at their Ordination, Admission to Candidacy, Institution as Lector and Institution as Acolyte. This calendar also provides formation days, retreat dates, etc.

Please pray for the men in Diaconate Formation and their families as well as the formation team, instructors, deacon mentors and spiritual directors.

Thank you.

**Archdiocese of Atlanta  
Permanent Diaconate Formation  
Calendar Year 2016**

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| January 10 to 15         | Class of 2016 Pre-Ordination Retreat – St. Bernard – Cullman, Alabama  |
| January 20               | Admission to Candidacy–Class of 2020 – St. Lawrence 7:00 pm<br>Institution of Reader – Class of 2019<br>Institution of Acolyte – Class of 2018 |
| January 23               | Aspirant Orientation 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.   |
| January 30               | Formation Classes  |
| February 6               | Ordination 10:30 am – Cathedral of Christ the King   |
| February 13 & 27         | Formation Classes  |
| March 5 & 19             | Formation Classes  |
| April 9 & 23             | Formation Classes  |
| April 13 to 15           | National Association of Diaconate Directors Meeting  |
| May 7 & 21               | Formation Classes  |
| June 3 & 4               | Eucharistic Congress – Georgia International Convention Center   |
| May to August            | Summer Break   |
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| August 6 & 20            | Formation Classes  |
| September 8, 9, 10, 11   | Formation Retreat – St. Bernard Abbey – Cullman, AL  |
| September 3 & 24         | Formation Classes  |
| September 24 & October 8 | Information and Inquiry Sessions   |
| TBD                      | Case Sponsor Training – Mandatory for the Class of 2017  |
| TBD                      | Day of Reflection for the Wives of Men in Diaconate Formation  |
| October 8 & 22           | Formation Classes  |
| November 5 & 19          | Formation Classes  |
| TBD                      | Prepare and Enrich – Chancery Mandatory Class 2017, Recommended Class 2018   |
| December 3               | Formation Classes  |

Candidates meet on all formation class dates. Aspirants meet on the one class date in January and December and the second class date in all other months.