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Memo

Date: October 20, 2025
To: Priests
From: The Most Reverend Bernard S. Shlesinger, III
Re: CLI update and priest workshop – November 25

Dear Brother Priests,

I write to share an update on our ongoing partnership with the Catholic Leadership Institute and to invite you to an important opportunity later this fall.

As you may recall, last spring we completed two significant components of the first phase of this initiative:

- **The Disciple Maker Index (DMI):** A survey exploring our parishioners' relationship with their faith and the Church.
- **The Priest Leadership Inventory (PLI):** A reflective tool designed to help us assess where we are in our priesthood and identify areas for continued growth in our vocation.

We appreciate your participation in this effort. Over the summer, we hosted several workshops for parish leaders to review and discuss the DMI feedback. Many of our parishes are now actively engaging in the next steps through the *Next Generation Parish* initiative, deepening their commitment to missionary discipleship.

We now wish to offer a similar opportunity for you to revisit your PLI results and consider how the archdiocese can better support you in your ministry.

To that end, we will be hosting a priest workshop on **Tuesday, November 25, from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.** at the Chancery. Lunch will be provided.

This gathering will guide you through reviewing your inventory results and assist you in creating an individual growth plan. This plan will not only serve

as a personal resource for your ongoing development but will also help inform the archdiocese's planning in the future.

Please RSVP by November 10 using the sign-up link below. Your participation is vital in ensuring that the investment we have already made in this initiative continues to bear fruit in your life and in the life of our archdiocese.

[Next generation parish priest session](#)

On behalf of the archbishop, thank you for your support and commitment.