

FAITH KNOWLEDGE QUIZ FOR ADULTS

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1. The Permanent Diaconate in the Catholic Church became a part of Holy Orders,
 - a. in 1965 after the Second Vatican Council;
 - b. in the Middle Ages and especially in Rome;
 - c. during the time of the Apostles in the first century;
 - d. during the Crusades against the Moslems.
2. Every Catholic priest must first be ordained a Deacon before:
 - a. being ordained a priest;
 - b. joining a particular Diocese;
 - c. joining a Religious Community or Order;
 - d. serving in a Parish.
3. There are two kinds of Deacons in the Church:
 - a. Parish Deacons and Diocesan Deacons;
 - b. Hospital Chaplain Deacons and Parish Deacons;
 - c. Permanent Deacons and Transitional Deacons;
 - d. There is only one kind of Deacon, the Permanent Deacon.
4. A Permanent Deacon is also rightfully called:
 - a. an ordained member of the clergy;
 - b. an ordained member of the laity;
 - c. a lay deacon;
 - d. an ordained Minister of Holy Communion.
5. The Minister of Service is mandated by the Bishop of a Diocese to:
 - a. be a Minister in all Liturgical Ministries in one's Parish, only;
 - b. be a Minister in all Liturgical Ministries in one's City of residence, only;
 - c. be a Minister in all Liturgical Ministries throughout one's Diocese, only;
 - d. be a Minister in all Liturgical Ministries in one's neighbouring Parishes, only.
6. In the absence of an ordained priest, a Minister of Service or a Deacon can:
 - a. hear Confessions, when requested to do so;
 - b. celebrate the Eucharist in a Chapel or a Mission Church, only;
 - c. if requested to do so, administer the Anointing of the Sick to those who are ill;
 - d. preside at a Parish Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.
7. In our Diocese, to be mandated as a Minister of Service, one must be,
 - a. the wife of a Permanent Deacon, only;
 - b. a married or single woman only;
 - c. a married or single woman or man;
 - d. a former chair of the Parish or Finance Council.

8. A Permanent Deacon is ordained to:

- a. Read the Gospel and preach the homily;
- b. preside at a Funeral without Mass;
- c. officiate at a Wedding without Mass;
- d. all of the above.

9. Before he can be ordained, the Permanent Deacon must:

- a. have the full consent of his children;
- b. have the full consent of his wife;
- c. be a single man;
- d. not be employed in full time work.

10. To be ordained a Permanent Deacon, a married man must be at least:

- a. 25 years old;
- b. 40 years old;
- c. 35 years old;
- d. 30 years old.

11. The Bishop can appoint a Permanent Deacon or a Minister of Service:

- a. the Administrator of a Parish;
- b. the Chaplain of a School or Hospital;
- c. the Director of a Diocesan Office;
- d. all of the above.

12. Three Saints who were ordained Deacons when they died were:

- a. St. Francis of Assisi, St. Lawrence and St. Stephen;
- b. St. Vincent de Paul, St. Anthony of Padova and St. Augustine;
- c. St. Nicholas, St. Ambrose and St. Dominic;
- d. St. Francis Xavier, St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. John de Brébeuf.

CORRECT ANSWERS

1. **c.** The first deacon ordinations are recorded in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles in the Bible (Acts 6:3-6)... from the first century.

2. **a.** He must be ordained a deacon and must be single to be ordained a priest.

3. **c.** Transitional deacons are aspiring to the Priesthood and Permanent remain deacons.

4. **a.** All Deacons become members of the clergy at their ordination.

5. **c.** With the consent of each Pastor, of course.

6. **d.** Holy Communion must be from Sacred Hosts consecrated by a priest at a Mass prior to the Service and reserved in the Tabernacle.

7. **c.** ... although most of the current Service Ministers in our Diocese are Deacons' wives.

8. **d.** ... at the request of the Rector/Pastor.

9. **b.** This consent is also publicly given by the spouse during the Ordination ceremony of the Deacon.

10. **c.** If he is a single man, he must be at least 25 years old to be ordained a Perm. Deacon.

11. **d.** The Bishop can appoint them to any one or more than one of these positions.

12. **a.** All the other Saints who are mentioned in b, c and d, were either priests or Bishops in the Church's history.