

**Final Report from (*Discerning Person's*) Discernment Committee  
(date)**

- 1. Committee Members:**
- 2. Summary of Discernment Committee meetings**

**Session 1: Thanksgiving to God for Parish Life in Christ; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
- Conclusion- insights, clarity, observations of gifts and call

**Session 2: The Ministry of the Laity; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
- Conclusion- insights, clarity, observations of gifts and call

**Session 3: The Diaconate; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
- Conclusion- insights, clarity, observations of gifts and call

**Session 4: The Priesthood; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
- Conclusion- insights, clarity, observations of gifts and call

**Session 5: The Cost of Ministry; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
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**Session 6: The Discipline of Ministry; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
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**Session 7: Prayer of Union; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

- Discussion- key points
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**Session 8: The Faithfulness of God; Summarized by (Discernment Committee person's name)**

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**3. Profile of Nominee Provided by the Nominee**

Information provided by the Nominee to include: length of membership in the parish, length of membership in the Diocese of Central PA, current involvement in parish ministry and diocesan formation and/or leadership, involvement in local community (volunteer and/or employment), spiritual practices and sense of call.

**4. Parish Discernment Group: Discernment/Assessment of Nominee**

The committee is in agreement that the nominee shall:

\_\_\_\_\_ continue exploring and serving in lay ministry.

\_\_\_\_\_ continue exploring lay licensed ministry (Worship Leader, Catechist, Evangelist, LEV, LEM)

\_\_\_\_\_ continue exploring ordained ministry.

Additional notes/information to share:

**5. Identification of Qualities** which the Nominee possesses that support the recommendation. This includes a review/assessment/conversation around the suggested guidelines for qualities which are desired for clergy who will serve our diocese. Those to be considered are:

- Faith in the triune God that is clearly articulated
- Humility
- An active prayer life
- Radical competence in an area of discipline
- Ability to work with others, sharing gifts and seeking resources when needed
- Responsible
- Responsive
- Trustworthy
- Pastoral
- Able to see the big picture while working on the local level
- Self-organizing
- An inspiring and empowering leader
- Collaborative

- Collegial
- Flexible/adaptable/willing to experiment
- Speaks the truth in love
- Creative/innovative
- Can set good boundaries and maintain them for health of self, family, and others

#### **6. Gifts for Ministry –**

- A listing of the apparent gifts and passions of the Nominee and how they relate to current ministries and how they may be utilized in future ministries as an ordained person.
- Recommendations for how these gifts may be developed or what a fuller expression of these gifts may look like in ministry (what courses, what experiences, what opportunities)

#### **7. Growing Edges –**

- A listing of those areas which invite further exploration and discernment
- Recommendations for opportunities to be offered for further discernment and for strengthening these areas