

Theology of the Deacon Formation Program

A postulant's spiritual life,
a postulant's relationship with God,
is grounding.

That grounding relationship with God
supports and is supported by
a postulant's education and experience.

And a postulant's life in community
is where formation happens.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE is one' relationship with
God.**

SPIRITUAL LIFE includes
individual prayer
community worship
spiritual direction
retreats and quiet days
and a rule of life.

EXPERIENCE & EDUCATION are life-long.

EXPERIENCE & EDUCATION includes
previous education
life experiences
particular studies including the seven
canonical areas

-- Holy Scripture, Church History, Christian Theology, Christian Ethics, Studies in Contemporary Society,
Liturgy, Theology and Practice of Ministry
Education for Ministry (EFM) or its equivalent
Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) or alternative clinical pastoral education

Life in COMMUNITY



COMMUNITY includes

family,

friends,

faith community

colleagues at work,

postulants in the Deacon Formation Program,

and many other communities of which one is a part.