

**Enquiry Form for Candidacy for Catholic Holy Orders as a Seminarian or
Ordained Priests wanted to join the St. Francis Mission**

General Instructions

This application is for individuals who wish to be accepted as candidates for Holy Orders. Individuals who are accepted into this program must submit to formal instruction and practical training as part of the process leading to ordination.

Information requested in this application will be kept confidential. All information submitted with this application will be verified independently, so please be detailed in providing dates and locations and all other relevant information. Any material misstatement of fact shall be considered deliberate, and shall be grounds for rejection of this application. This application in no way guarantees or provides any promise to the recipient of being ordained. Candidates and Seminarians may be separated from the program at any time, up to the day of diaconate or priestly ordination.

Basic Information

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip/Post Code:

Home Phone:

Work:

Mobile:

E-Mail:

Employer Address:

Secular:

Address:

City:

State:

Post Code/Zip:

Position:

Years Employed There:

Do You Make Enough Money to Support Yourself and Family?

Have You Ever Been Convicted of a Felony Offense?

(If so, describe.)

Have You Ever Been Adjudicated Mentally Incompetent by any Court, or

institutionalized for any mental illness?

If so, describe in detail.

Have you ever been convicted of any Misdemeanour Offence?

(If so, describe in detail.)

Do you have any kind of an illness that would interfere with your ability to pastor a parish?

(If so, describe in detail)

Pastoral Information

What denomination are you currently?

How long have you been this denomination?

What other churches/denominations have you belonged to in the past?

How long have you been actively ministering?

Where did you receive your formal training and instruction in theology?

List any College Degrees that you currently hold:

[NOTE: You will be asked at a later stage if you are considered a candidate to be able to supply college certificates Diploma degree copies and evidence of any theological education.

Please give your reasons for wanting to be a Seminarian, where you are theologically and how you came to be where you are theologically. Include also your understanding on the following theological points: The Sacraments, The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, Catholicism and why you feel you are drawn to it, and any discussions that you have had with your congregation (if any) regarding becoming catholic or studying as a Seminarian into the. Please take your time and be as detailed as possible. Touch upon each point completely.

Are you married?

If so, how long have you been married?

If so, will your wife approve of your ministry in the Catholic Church?

Do you have any theological problems with Catholicism or personal obstructions?

(If so, please state in detail.)

Do you understand, that as a Catholic Church, the S F M does not ordain women to the Holy Priesthood

Do you understand, that as a Seminarian, you will be required to take an Oath of Obedience to your diocesan ordinary (Bishop) as his pastoral assistant in ministering to the faithful of the church, and that you must agree to the Code of Canon Law, in its entirety and fully support it?

References at least 2 persons who know you personally and are not related to you
One must be a Priest or Minister of a Christian Religion

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Financial History

Have you ever files for bankruptcy?
If so, when?

Have you ever been the subject of any civil or criminal action regarding any outstanding debts?

If so, please state in detail and the outcome.

Has any church that you personally have belonged to been the subject of any civil or criminal investigation into any kind of financial wrongdoing, or misappropriation of funds?

(If so, please indicate, in detail, the problems encountered which initiated the investigation, as well as the result of the investigation.)

Have you ever been a member who had to close any church bank account due to problems with funding or use of existing funds?

(If so, please indicate, in detail, the problems encountered which initiated the investigation, as well as the result of the investigation.)

How many years if any, have you had being in a position of oversight or responsible charge regarding church finances?

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Background Information

Current Address:

City: State: Post Code/Zip

Number of Years at This Address:

information submitted herein, and my suitability for acceptance. I authorize and give permission to The S F M to conduct all specified investigations and inquiries described herein, without reservation. I further understand that any material misstatement of fact within this Application may be ground for rejection of this application by The S F M, I completely and irrevocably (my heirs, executors and administrators) indemnify, waive, release and hold harmless, The S F M , its directors, executives, employees, agents and subcontracted agents from any and all liability, including (but not limited to) third party causes of action, arising in any way, directly or indirectly, out of this Application for Candidacy for Holy Orders, theological instruction, training (mine or others), any church activities or any pastoral activities whatsoever. In consent and full agreement to these terms and provisions, I set my signature below:

Signature:

Date: