

*Called as Priest:*

Lifestyle:

A priest is a man of faith and prayer who:

- † is called to be a church minister
- † proclaims the Word of God and administers the sacraments
- † if a diocesan priest, vows obedience to the bishop, which includes living celibately
- † if a religious order priest, vows obedience, poverty, and celibacy

Service:

A priest is called to:

- † be a servant, teacher, and missionary
- † build a parish community that works to bring healing, justice and peace to all
- † preside at Eucharist
- † administer the sacraments

*Called as Deacon:*

Lifestyle:

A deacon is a man of faith and prayer who:

- † serves the poor
- † assist the bishop and priests of his diocese
- † fulfills the duties of an ordained minister in addition to those of his professional work
- † may be married or single

Service:

A deacon may be asked to:

- † minister at baptisms
- † give homilies
- † witness marriages
- † minister to the elderly
- † work in prisons
- † serve wherever the church's needs are the greatest