In responding to these questions use additional paper if necessary, and feel free to make known any other opinion or feeling you may have about the applicant, his spouse, or his admission to the Diaconate Formation Program.

Applicant’s Name: ___________________________ Date: _______________________

Pastor’s Response Questionnaire

1. Do you know him personally? Yes___ No___ If yes, how long? In what context?

2. Do you consider him to be a good Catholic? Yes___ No___ Please explain.

3. Do you consider him to be a good parishioner? Yes___ No___ Please explain.

4. In what ways is he involved in ministering to the people of your parish?
5. Is he effective in these ministries?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

6. In general do the other parishioners respect him?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

7. Does he tithe or contribute regularly to the parish?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

8. Is he financially stable?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

9. Is he emotionally stable?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

10. Is he stable in his marriage and family life?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

11. What is his wife’s attitude toward the possibility of his becoming a deacon?

12. Does he exemplify kindness and concern for others?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.

13. In general does he get along well with people?  Yes____  No____  Please explain.
14. Does he exemplify the values of the Gospel and of the Catholic faith? Yes___ No___
   Please explain.

15. Does he attend Mass and receive the Sacraments regularly? Yes___ No___

16. Describe his grasp and understanding of the Catholic faith.

17. Do you consider him to be a man of prayer and faith? Yes___ No___ Example.

18. What is his understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Orders?

19. What is his understanding of the Permanent Diaconate now?

20. Has he discussed his aspirations of becoming a deacon with you? Yes___ No___
   Please explain.

21. Do you see any difficulties in his applying to enter into the diaconate formation program? Yes___ No___ Please explain.

22. Do you personally recommend the applicant for admission to the Diaconate Formation Program? Yes___ No____ Please comment.

23. In what way would he be a good sign of service for your parish community?

24. Would the people of the parish accept him as a deacon? Yes___ No___
25. Would you and your parish support his formation/education in this ministry?  Yes___ No___

26. Would you encourage him and work with him during the formation period?  Yes___ No___

27. Does he have a generous and cooperative attitude?  Yes___ No___ Please explain.

28. Does he show real evidence of concern and love for the poor and the unfortunate?  
   Yes___ No___ Give some examples.

29. Is he capable of leading God’s people in liturgical prayer now?  Yes___ No___ Please explain.

30. Can you work with him in promoting the Kingdom of God?  Yes___ No___ Please explain.

31. Will he work with you in a spirit of cooperation to promote the well being of the parish?  
   Yes___ No___ Please explain.

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Pastor                              Parish                              Date