#### The humble service of a deacon tells of the greatness of God. -Pope Francis

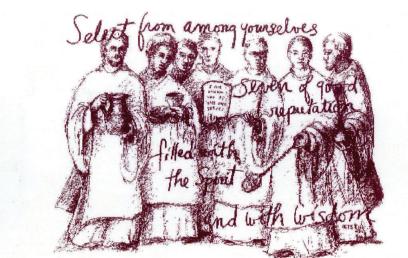


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Is your parish planning a special event or program this fall? We would like to hear about it. Contact: deacongurske@stbnj.org



## The Origin of Our Iconic Diaconate Logo

The drawing we often see for the diaconate is not at all the universal image we might imagine. A search of "diaconate logo" on Google reveals a variety of pictures and logos in every diocese in the country. Ours is unique in the way it combines the concept of early disciples with the bib-

lical reference from Acts of the Apostles – "Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task." (USCCB, Acts 6:3).

The idea of having a distinct logo originated with the class of 1999. Several samples were submitted and evaluated by classmates, and the decision was made to select the one created by Bro. Jack Stagliano, OSA (The Order of Saint Augustine. In Latin, *Ordo Fratrum Sancti Augustini*, abbreviated OSA. –Google). At the time, he was assigned to Villanova University and worked in the Augustinian Studio. A great supporter of the diaconate he wrote to Deacon Joe Yandoli, "Because the Deacon's role is one of service, I always think of it as an especially Christ-like vocation."

A number of deacons have used the art work as a cover for personal stationery, thank you notes and presentations.

Deacon Joe Yandoli presents Deacon Paul Kliauga with a token of appreciation for his service to the Class of 1999 and to the Diaconate Class of 1999 and to the Diaconate. Deacon Paul was the Secretary of the Council of Deacons while Joe was the Chairman. He also was instrumental in the creation of the Diaconate page on the www.rcan.org. Paul worked with Deacon Ed Campanella to make ID cards for all the deacons, and collaborated on the funeral procedure for deacons, too. He served on the committee to set guidelines for clergy apparel for deacons.





# Class of 1999 Is Set to Celebrate Their 25th Jubilee!

On June 5, 1999, 18 men were ordained to the Permanent Diaconate by the then Archbishop of Newark, Theodore McCarrick, at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The group is seen above on the occasion of their tenth Anniversary celebrating with Auxiliary Bishop John Flesey.

**Current Active Deacons** 

Deacon Robert A. Baker, Sr. Deacon Vincent Belluscio, Jr. Deacon Joseph A. Dickson Deacon Robert Fencik Deacon Herbert Gimbel Deacon Robert A. Glasner Deacon Michael Maione Deacon William McDermott Deacon Albert P. Mclaughlin Deacon Jermiah K. Rehse Deacon Ralph M. Savo Deacon Luis F. Velo Deacon Joseph C. Yandoli

#### **Deceased Permanent Deacons**

Deacon Thomas J. Bulgia Deacon Edward A. Campanella Deacon Frederic C. Kautz Deacon Paul Kliauga Deacon Michael A. Lydon Deacon Stephen P. Marchese Deacon Aart P. Markenstein Deacon John W. McKeon Deacon Keith McKnight Deacon Kichard F. Mohr Deacon William J. Toth Deacon Vince J. Accardi



#### **Deacon Edward W. Porter**

The Class of 1999 is proud to recognize the work of Deacon Ed Porter. During his tenure, as Director of the Permanent Diaconate, Deacon Ed exhibited compassion, sincerity, expertise, insight, good judgment & leadership. Ed actually wrote and published a book, "My Life as a Catholic Deacon" which takes a deeply personal look at his first 11 years, of his 17 years, as a Catholic deacon. The book was designed to lend first hand experience to men who are in formation or considering the diaconate. Family, friends, and fellow deacons gave Deacon Ed's book rave reviews, a "must read."

#### **The Catholic Understanding of Suffering and Death** presented by Deacon Michael Giuliano, M.D.



On April 27, at St. James the Apostle Church, Springfield, NJ Deacon Michael Giuliano spoke to 60 people about the following topics:

- the Dignity of Life/ Dignity of Death
- Care of the dying/ Help for Families
- Living Wills/ Healthcare Proxies
- Ordinary vs. Extraordinary care
- Hospice and Palliative Care
- Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide
- Cremation and Burial

Michael, speaking both as a Deacon and a Doctor, hailed the Gospel of Life written by Saint Pope John Paul II (Evangelium Vitae) and de-

cried the "culture of death" that pervades our society in the form of physician-assisted suicide; abortion and "right to die" choices.

Dr. Giuliano also clarified the meaning of living wills and healthcare proxies, and spoke of the differences between Catholic and secular advanced directives. Living wills do not go far enough in the definition of how to care for you in the event of an injury or illness that renders a person unable to vocalize their wishes. A **health care proxy** (also known as a representative, surrogate, or agent) is a person who can make health care decisions for you if you are unable to communicate these yourself.

A POLST form (Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment) also helps describe your wishes for health care, but it is not an advance directive. A POLST form has a set of specific medical orders that a seriously ill person can fill in and ask their health care provider to sign. A POLST form addresses your wishes in an emergency, such as whether to use CPR in an emergency, or whether to go to a hospital in an emergency and be put on a breathing machine if necessary, or stay where you are and be made comfortable.

It is beyond the scope of this article to explain the differences and intricacies of the DNR, the POLST, and the **MOLST** (Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment). You should contact Deacon Michael Giuliano, <u>giuliano7@</u> <u>aol.com</u>, or your health care professional.

### Deacon Anthony Pasquale, December 26, 1939 – April 26, 2024



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Anthony Pasquale, a devoted family man who entered into eternal life on April 26th, 2024. Anthony, was born in Hoboken, NJ, where he worked as a Custodian and Stationary Engineer with the Hoboken Public School System.

He leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and hard work. In his spare time, Anthony found solace in painting. His kindness and warm personality touched the lives of many, leaving an indelible mark on all those fortunate enough to have known him.

Anthony is survived by his children Philip Pasquale of Florida, Carol Lynn Jacob and her husband Jude of Point Pleasant, Anthony Pasquale Jr of Hoboken, Michael Pasquale and his wife Nicelle of Nutley, Michele Pasquale and her husband Greg Rivera of Point Pleasant; grandchildren: Philip, Joshua, Zachariah, Elijah, Ashley, Gregory, Michael, Bea, Stephen, Samuel, and Isaiah; as well as many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He is now reunited in peace with his loving wife of 56 years, Beatrice, his brothers Carmine and Vincent, and his sister Concetta.

Services to honor and celebrate Anthony's life were held at the Halpin-Bitecola-Brookdale Funeral Home on Monday, April 29. A funeral mass was held at Saint Thomas the Apostle Church on Tuesday, April 30, followed by an interment at Holy Cross Cemetery in North Arlington. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.* To order memorial trees or send flowers to the family in memory of Anthony Pasquale, please visit our flower store.

## Mary Ann Campanella



Mary Ann Campanella, 82, formerly of Linden, NJ, residing in Monroe, NJ the past 4 years entered eternal rest on Thursday, March 28, 2024.

Relatives and visitation at Werson Funeral Home, 635 North Wood Avenue, Linden, on Thursday, April 4, from 4 PM to 8 PM. The funeral began in the funeral home on Friday, April 5 at 10:15 AM thence to St. John the Apostle Church, Clark, for a Funeral Mass She is survived by her lovat 11 AM. Final disposi- ing children, Lewis Hastion was private. To send kell and his wife Elizaonline condolences to the beth, Debbie Haskell and family please visit www. her partner, Jeff Todd, wersonfuneralhome.com. Step-

Mary Ann was born to James E. and Anne M. (Trincune) Devlin in Elizabeth, NJ, and resided in Linden. NJ for most of her life.

Advocate Taxpayer the IRS in Springfield, NJ, for many years beretirement. fore her

Mary Ann's faith was ev- brook Terrace, Linden, erything to her. She was NJ, 07036 in her memoa devotee of St. John the ry would be appreciated.

Apostle Church in Linden. She was a member of the Rosary Altar Society, a Eucharistic Minister, and was "The Queen of the Book Rack" at St. John's. She also taught Ceramics, was a member of the Linden Schools PTA and Girl Scout Leader. She had a love for art and drawing. She loved the shows Big Bang Theory and Young Sheldon along with playing the game, Threes!

Mary Ann was predeceased by her beloved husband of 20 years, Lewis H Haskell. Lewis served as a friends Linden, NJ Firefighter for were invited to attend the 22 years before his death on January 22, 1983.

> She was also predeceased by her second husband of 31 years, Deacon Edward A. Campanella on April 14, 2023. Deacon Ed was the founder and editor of the DeacoNews.

children Laura Campanella, Maria Campanella and her husband Jason Rodriguez, and Peter Campanella and his partner Lori Marcus, 6 grandchildren, TinaMarie, Lewis, Emma, Abigail, She was employed as a Stefanie, and Dylan, and for many nieces and nephews.

> In lieu of flowers donations to St. John the Apostle Church, 1805 Pen-

## **Eileen A. Lynch**



Visitation was on Friday, February 16, 2024 from 2pm-4pm & 6pm-8pm at the Rossi Funeral Home 1937 Westfield Avenue Scotch Plains. A Funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, February on 17, 2024, 10am at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church, 2032 Westfield She was an avid reader, en-Avenue ory of Eileen to: Lewy Body mer and winter Olympics. Dementia Association: https://www.lbda.org/donate/, Fanwood PBA Local 123 PO Box 344 Fanwood, NJ 07023 or the Fanwood Rescue Squad 123 Watson Road Fanwood NJ 07023.

of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School and received an Associates in Arts degree from Kean College in Eileen began her 1962. working career shortly after College working as the Secretary of the Vice President of Bell Labs. She then became the secretary for St Eileen A. Lynch 81 of Fan- Bartholomew Academy in wood, died peacefully on Scotch Plains for over 30 Sunday February 11, 2024 years. She had many roles with her family at her bed- with both the Parish and the side, after a long battle School over her decades of with Lewy Body Dementia, involvement, from CCD coat Autumn Lake assisted ordinator, member of the living in Berkeley Heights. Rosary Altar Society, ASLF - Associates of Sister Lucy Filippini, Bereavement Support Group, HSA President, Head of Pre-Cana, assisted running the Family Life Ministry and was a Eucharistic Minister. Eileen was a dedicated and devoted volunteer and employee of the Parish and School.

Scotch Plains. joyed words searches and Entombment followed at playing scrabble. Eileen Somerset Hills Memorial was also an avid follower of Park in Basking Ridge. In NCAA Basketball and loved lieu of flowers contribu- March Madness. Eileen also tions can be made in Mem- loved watching both sum-

Eileen is survived by her Beloved husband of 50 Years, Deacon John W. "Jack" Lynch, Loving children Jennifer and husband Joe Blanchard, Matthew and Cynthia, Mark Eileen was born and grew and Lori. Cherished grandup in Brooklyn, NY, moved children Ethan, Lena, Emto Scotch Plains in 1958 ily, Jillian, Connor, Nichand settled to Fanwood in olas, Allyson and Isabella. 1978 to raise her family. Caring Siblings William She was a 1960 graduate Lawrence and Dorothy Guv.