

CANDIDACY AND ORDINATION

Application for candidacy may be submitted in the middle of your second year. (The necessary forms are found in the appendix.) The DFC will provide a detailed evaluation of you to the COM in March of your second year. This evaluation will be used by the Bishop to make an informed decision about your application. It is important to maintain close communication with your sponsoring Rector and Vestry during formation, as they are needed to recommend you for each remaining step in the process.

Application for ordination may be submitted one year following admission as a candidate. Again, a **vestry recommendation** is needed (See Appendix). Please note that physical and mental health evaluations are needed prior to ordination.

Assessment by the Diocesan Examining Chaplains is required for ordination. You will be asked to meet with the Examining Chaplains to evaluate your proficiency in the canonical areas. Expectations in these areas are listed on pages 11-12.

At this point we hope you stay in touch with your Commission on Ministry chaplain; however, any questions you have are best directed to the Standing Committee, which recommends you to the Bishop for candidacy and ordination.