

**EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINEE'S ACCEPTANCE FOR HOLY ORDERS
AND ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION
(Forms P-2) Title III, Canon 8.2(b)**

I hereby accept the nomination of _____

Parish

Name in full *Marital Status*

Address (home) *Telephone*

Address (other) *Telephone*

Date of Birth *Place of Birth*

Communicant of what parish *How long*

Length of time a Communicant in Diocese of Western MA: _____

Date of Baptism *Place* *Officiant*

Date of Confirmation *Place* *Bishop*

Where first admitted to Holy Communion *Date*

Have you ever before applied for Admission as a Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders?
If yes, please explain the circumstances in a appended note.
What is your educational preparation?

High School *Were you graduated* *When*

College *Degree Received* *When*

Graduate level *Degree Received* *When*

Any additional training or education?

Please attach transcripts of College and Graduate School record.
Please attach a list of any business experience, jobs held, military service, etc., since High School, with dates.

Father's Name *Living?*

Father's Address *Occupation*

Mother's Maiden Name *Living?*

Mother's Address *Occupation*

Spouse's Name *Spouse's Occupation* *Highest level of spouse's education*

Children’s Names and Age:

Please state on what grounds you have been moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

Write a brief account on your religious life history and of your present religious convictions focusing on your reasons for seeking ordination rather than deepening and extending your present lay ministry. In your essay, please address the following question:

1. Given the centrality of lay ministry, why do you feel called to the ordained ministry?
2. What personal support systems are in place to help you through this process?
3. Are your spouse and family supportive of your engagement in this process?
4. Give your personal stewardship statement.

**PLEASE CONFINE YOUR ESSAY TO NO MORE THAN FIVE TYPEWRITTEN,
DOUBLE-SPACED PAGES AND ATTACH APPLICATION**

Please submit reference letters from (1) A presbyter, not your rector (2) A co-worker (3) A church friend (4) A friend outside the church.

If the process does not result in Postulancy, I understand that I will continue to seek to discern the lay ministry to which I am called.

I understand that after ordination I may not be able to support myself full time in the church.

Please enclose three small photos of yourself.

Signature of Nominee

Date