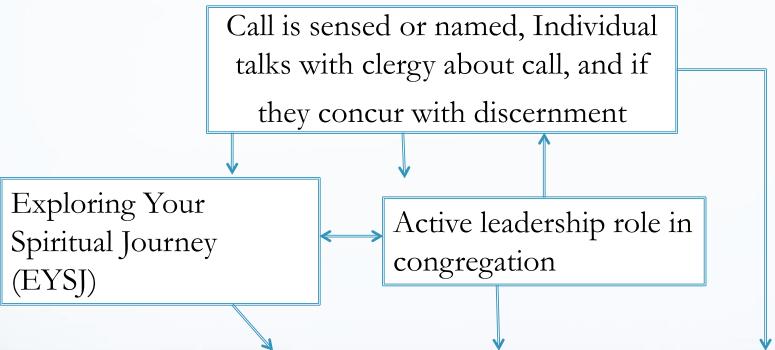
Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Highlights of changes

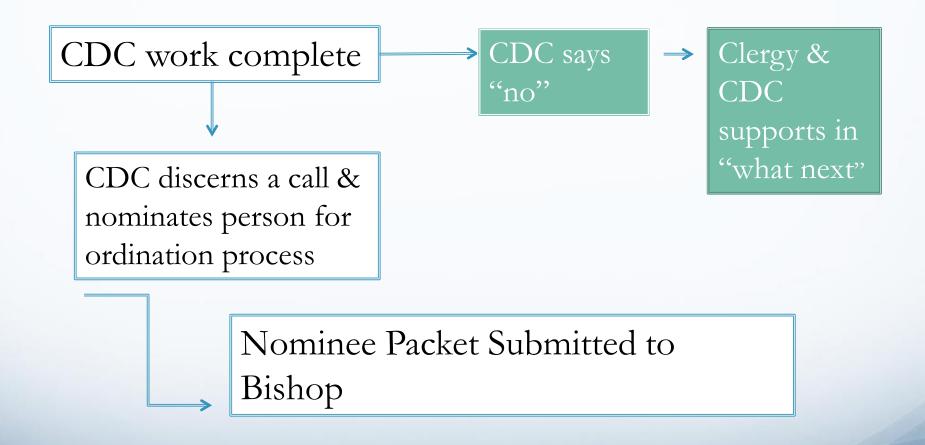
- Importance of clergy support and involvement at beginning
- The process for getting to the Nominee stage and Postulancy is more involved, with a larger application packet.
- EYSJ is still normative but no longer strictly mandatory
- Postulancy Interview Weekend instead of Ministry Retreat
- Creation of chaplain role for people in discernment, beginning at Nominee stage
- GOEs will replace the Canonical Project & Content Exams for those in formation for the priesthood

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Early Discernment Stage



Community Discernment Committee is formed to further discern what ministry God might be calling this person into at this time

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Discernment



Revised EDOMI Discernment Process:

Nominee Packet

- Applicant letter (with required info in TEC canon 3.6.2.b or canon 3.8.2.b)
- Letter from Priest-in-Charge or Warden (using Sponsor Letter Form)
- Congregational Support Letter (see TEC canon 3.6.2.a or canon 3.8.2.a)
- Report from the CDC
- Three Essays (no more than 1500 words each)
 - Spiritual Autobiography
 - Dismantling Racism
 - Living Faith in Context
- References

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Applying for Postulancy

Nominee Packet reviewed by bishop & small COM team, and applicant meets with Bishop, team, and sponsoring clergy

Bishop says YES – applicant officially becomes a nominee and completes Postulancy Interview Packet

Bishop says

"no"

Clergy & CDC

supports in "what next"

Prepare for Postulancy Interview Weekend:

- Connection with chaplain
- Canonical Pysch & Physical evaluations
- Background check complete
- Spiritual Director & therapist engaged
- Nominee is invited to a Postulancy Weekend

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Postulancy Weekend

- Up to four nominees participating, for either clerical order
- Weekend team includes the bishop, host/COM chair, chaplain and "listening" teams focused on our competency areas:
 - Compelling faith
 - Spiritual & Emotional maturity
 - Leadership and Context
 - Clarity of ministry and call
- Nominees will also make a presentation of a ministry project they have done (lead a Bible study, talk about an outreach project, etc.)

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Postulancy Weekend

Nominees will have a "what's next" answer at the weekend

Not yet – formal written plan for action needed for possible reconsideration, chaplain remains in support

No – chaplain remains in support for one year

Yes to Postulancy:

- Formation plan drafted at the Postulancy weekend
- COM Advisor assigned

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Postulancy

During this phase, the Postulant will:

- Continue to be engaged in a worshipping community
- Be assigned to a COM advisor
- Engage in their formation and education, as laid out in their formation plan with the Bishop and COM
- Continue to work with a spiritual director and therapist
- Write Ember Day letters to the Bishop
- Complete Clinical Pastoral Education, and file evaluation with the bishop's office
- Participate in Community Organizing training
- Complete trainings required by canon for ordination:
 - Safeguarding training
 - Anti-racism training
 - Canon law, including Title IV training
- For those on the Deacon track: Minimum Content Exams for the BCP and Scripture
 - > Postulants on the priest track will take General Ordination Exams (GOEs), typically after candidacy is granted

Revised EDOMI Discernment Process: Applying for Candidacy

Approximately one year before "expected" ordination to the diaconate (whether vocational or transitional), the Postulant will apply for candidacy. The Candidacy Application Packet includes:

- Application Letter and Candidacy Essay from Postulant
- Letter of support from sponsoring congregation
- Letter of support from Field Ed supervisor
- Progress report and evaluation from formation program (such as a "Middler Evaluation" or the "Knowing Being Doing Assessment" from the Academy)

After the packet is submitted, the applicant will be invited to a Candidacy Interview with a team from the COM and Standing Committee.

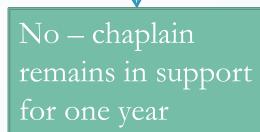
Revised EDOMI Discernment Process:

Candidacy Interview Day

After the COM & SC interview has happened, the bishop will say:



Not yet – formal written plan for action needed for possible reconsideration, chaplain remains in support



Yes to Candidacy:

- Continue formation & complete plan, including field ed
- Take GOEs if on "priest track"
- Continue towards ordination