



# The Diocese of Fond du Lac

*The Episcopal Church in northeast Wisconsin*

## Templates for Congregational Use

### Letters of Support in the Process towards Holy Orders

The text below is for congregations to prepare Letters of Support at the various steps of the ordination process. Copy and paste text on congregational letterhead, format, appropriately and affix necessary signatures.

#### #1 – Nomination

Available on the diocesan website.

#### #2 – Letter of Support – Candidacy

DATE

To the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fond du Lac:

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us) that TYPEFULLNAMEINCAPSHERE leads a sober, honest, and godly life, is a Communicant in Good Standing of this congregation, and possesses such qualifications befitting admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

[Signed] \_\_\_\_\_  
Member of the Clergy exercising Oversight

[Add signatures of at least two-thirds of the members of the Vestry]

#### #3 - Letter of Support – Diaconate

DATE

To the Bishop of the Diocese of Fond du Lac:

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us) that TYPEFULLNAMEINCAPSHERE leads a sober, honest, and godly life, is a Communicant in Good Standing of this congregation, and possesses such qualifications befitting ordination as a Deacon in Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

[Signed] \_\_\_\_\_  
Member of the Clergy exercising Oversight

[Add signatures of at least two-thirds of the members of the Vestry]

**#4 - Letter of Support – Priesthood**

DATE

To the Bishop of the Diocese of Fond du Lac:

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us) that TYPEFULLNAMEINCAPSHERE leads a sober, honest, and godly life, is a Communicant in Good Standing of this congregation, and possesses such qualifications befitting ordination as a Priest in Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

[Signed] \_\_\_\_\_  
Member of the Clergy exercising Oversight

[Add signatures of at least two-thirds of the members of the Vestry]