



DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR: PERMANENT DIACONATE

Expression of Interest

The Diocese intends to commence formation of a fourth group of candidates for the permanent diaconate in September 2024. If you are interested in being considered for this group, please complete this form and return it to the Diocese by **31 March 2024**. This is not a formal application; a member of the diaconate team will contact you in due course to discuss your interest in the permanent diaconate.

Surname		
First Name		
Address		
	Postcode	
Email		
Contact phone number		
Date of Birth		
Parish of residence		
Marital Status (please tick)	Single <input type="checkbox"/>	Married <input type="checkbox"/>
	Widowed <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>
If you are married, is your wife aware of your interest in the permanent diaconate?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of Spouse (if applicable)		
Do you have children?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please give details		
Employment Status (please tick)	Employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Self Employed <input type="checkbox"/>
	Retired <input type="checkbox"/>	Unemployed <input type="checkbox"/>

<p>Please give details of your current or most recent employment</p>	
<p>Educational background</p> <p>Please give details (with dates) of schools/colleges attended and a summary of qualifications held</p>	
<p>Parish/Pastoral experience</p> <p>Please give details of any involvement in the pastoral life of the Church, either in your own parish or elsewhere</p>	
<p>Have you discussed your interest in the permanent diaconate with your parish priest / a vocations director / spiritual director or other similar person?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Signature</p>	
<p>Date</p>	

Your completed form should be emailed to: b.lockhart@downandconnor.org

Alternatively, you can print of your form and post it to:

Deacon Brett Lockhart
Director of the Permanent Diaconate
St Brigid's Parish
42 Derryvolgie Parish
Belfast
BT9 6FP

If you have any queries, please email them to the address above.

A member of the Diaconate team will contact you in due course to discuss your expression of interest, it is our intention to carry out initial interviews early in 2024.