

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Notes from initial meeting (any impressions, concerns, questions)

Recommendations given for the person discerning to follow-up on (including any timeline):

Please **notify the Chair of the Commission on Ministry** with the name of the Aspirant as close to the beginning of this process as possible (email/phone call).

As clergy having oversight, please ascertain these things before referring the person to your Parish Discernment Group:

- Baptized (when/where) ; Confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church
- Active member in your church for one year before beginning discernment with you

Notes for letter as part of congregational nomination:

Observed gifts (note also in relation to order(s) ie. what specific priestly/diaconal gifts do you observe?):

Concerns/Reservations:

When you feel it is appropriate for the person to proceed in the discernment process

- Direct them to the Diocesan website to download the most current form of the Ordination Process Handbook and the appropriate Postulancy Packet (#1 for priesthood, #2 for diaconate), including spiritual autobiography, vision statement, and recent photo
- Form Parish Discernment Group
- Contact Chair of COM to schedule training for Parish Discernment Group
- Receive application and give appropriate elements to PDG for review

After the PDG has met with the aspirant

- Receive completed PDG reports
- Write Rector's letter for congregational nomination