

FREE INTERACTIVE THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE / WORKSHOP  
**NAVIGATING THE DEACON - PRIEST RELATIONSHIP**

**FEATURING: DEACONS DENNIS DORNER & KELLEY  
CULVER AND FATHER JOHN LIPSCOMB**

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21: 7-8:30 PM EST**

One of the challenges in ministry for priests and deacons is successfully collaborating in parish life. This workshop will focus on the priest-deacon relationship and offer suggestions on successfully navigating this often difficult path. The workshop will be of interest to all priests, deacons, and deacon candidates and will have time for discussion and a question and answer period.



Deacon Dennis Dorner has served as the Chancellor for the Archdiocese of Atlanta for over 16 years and the Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate since 2006. Dennis is the Chairman of the National Association of Diaconate Directors (NADD) and serves on the Advisory Council for the Diaconate Institute at the Pontifical College Josephinum. He is currently serving on the Multi Faith Strategy Team for working on addressing the challenges of Mass Incarceration. Dennis and his wife Susan have been married for 50 years, he is the father of four and grandfather of seven. He graduated from Ohio Dominican University, Columbus, OH with a BA in

Business Administration and worked for 30 years in Sales and Management in the Industrial Distribution field. Ordained in 2004 as a Permanent Deacon, Deacon Dorner is assigned to The Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in downtown Atlanta.

Deacon Kelley Culver is Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of Savannah. Deacon Culver was ordained in May of 2012 and appointed Assistant Director of the Diaconate in 2013. He assumed the role of Director in July 2015. A native of Houston and a retired Air Force officer he spent 26 years following his military career as a teacher and administrator at Aquinas High School in Augusta, GA. He holds graduate degrees in human resource management, school administration, and theology. Deacon Culver has been married for the past 50 years to his wife Judy. They have two sons. He and his wife are both converts to the Catholic faith.



Father John Lipscomb has served the Diocese of St. Petersburg since his ordination to the Catholic priesthood in 2009. Prior to entering the Catholic Church in 2008, he was an ordained minister in the Episcopal Church for over 30 years. From 1996-2007, he was the Episcopal Bishop of Southwest Florida. Father Lipscomb holds degrees from the University of North Carolina, the University of the South, and the Graduate Theological Foundation. In 2021, he was appointed Director of Formation for aspirants to the Order of Deacon in the Diocese of St. Petersburg.

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