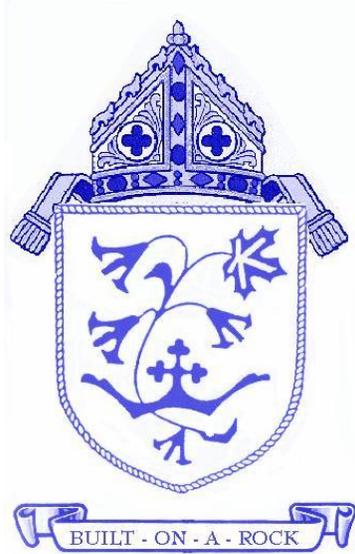


Archdiocese of Kingston



# CHAPTER 1

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## LIST OF PRIESTLY FACULTIES

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## PRIESTLY FACULTIES

### PREACHING

1. Without prejudice to the provision of canon 765, priests and deacons, with at least the presumed consent of the rector of a church, have the faculty to preach everywhere, unless this faculty has been restricted or removed by the competent Ordinary, or unless particular law requires express permission (Can. 764);
2. To preach to religious in their churches or oratories, permission is required of the Superior who is competent according to their constitutions (Can. 765);
3. To preach the Word of God, occasionally and when invited, in churches of other Christian communities, in keeping with approved ecumenical guidelines;
4. In expounding Christian teaching on radio or television, the provisions of the Bishop's Conference are to be observed (Can. 772, 2).

### CONFIRMATION

5. The following have, by law, the faculty to administer confirmation (Can. 883):
  - 1<sup>o</sup> within the confines of their jurisdiction, those who in law are equivalent to a diocesan Bishop;
  - 2<sup>o</sup> in respect of the persons to be confirmed, the priest who, by virtue of his office or by mandate of the diocesan Bishop, baptizes one who is no longer an infant or admits a person already baptized into full communion with the Catholic Church;
  - 3<sup>o</sup> in respect of those in danger of death, the parish priest or indeed any priest.
6. The diocesan Bishop is himself to administer confirmation or to ensure that it is administered by another Bishop. If necessity so requires, the diocesan Bishop may grant to one or several specified priests the faculty to administer this sacrament. Special faculty is required in each case (Can. 884, 1).

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### EUCCHARIST

7. To binate on weekdays and trinate on Sundays and holy days of obligation, if a pastoral reason justifies it and when no other priest is readily available (Can. 905, 2);
8. To celebrate two Masses on Holy Thursday in addition to the concelebration of the Chrism Mass, if there is an urgent pastoral need;
9. To take food or liquids between Masses when celebrating Mass more than once a day, even if a period of one hour does not intervene (Can. 919, 2);
10. The Eucharistic celebration is to be carried out in a sacred place, unless, in a particular case, necessity requires otherwise; in which case the celebration must be in a fitting place (Can. 932, 1);
11. For a good reason, with the express permission of the local Ordinary and provided scandal has been eliminated, a priest may celebrate the Eucharist in a place of worship of any Church or ecclesial community which is not in full communion with the Catholic Church (Can. 933);
12. To accept an offering when celebrating a second or third Mass on the same day, using it for purposes prescribed by the Ordinary. On Christmas day, the additional offerings may be retained by the celebrating priest (Can. 951, 1). However, a priest who concelebrates another Mass on the same day may not, under any title, accept an offering for that Mass (Can. 951, 2);
13. To fulfil, when lawfully impeded, the obligation of applying Mass for the people on a day other than Sunday, or to have another priest apply the Mass in his stead (Can. 534, 1);
14. Without prejudice to the right of the diocesan Bishop as in Can. 87, a parish priest, in individual cases, for a just reason and in accordance with the prescriptions of the diocesan Bishop, can give a dispensation from the obligation of observing a holy day or day of penance or commute the obligation into some other pious works. (Can. 1245).
15. To allow lay persons to speak in a church or oratory on some subject; however, the homily in the liturgy is reserved to a sacred minister (Can. 766-767);

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### PENANCE

16. To hear sacramental confessions of the faithful anywhere in the diocese (Can. 966, 2; 969, 1). By virtue of this faculty, priests may hear confessions anywhere in the world unless the local Ordinary, in a specific case, has denied this (Can. 967, 2);
17. To commute or dispense from a private vow or a promissory oath, for a just reason, provided that the dispensation or commutation does not violate the right of another (Can. 1196, 1203);
18. To remit a *latae sententiae* penalty established by law, which is not reserved to the Holy See (Can. 1355, 2; 137, 1), such as the case of a person who apostatizes from the faith, or who becomes a heretic or a schismatic (Can. 1364); or of one who actually procures an abortion (Can. 1398), and one's accomplice(s) in this offence (Can. 1329, 2);
19. To remit in the internal sacramental forum a *latae sententiae* censure of excommunication or interdict which has not been declared, including one that is reserved to the Holy See, provided it is hard for the penitent to remain in a state of serious sin, with the obligation, however, to have recourse within one month to the competent Superior (Can. 1357).

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

20. To bless, within the celebration of the sacrament, the oil required for the anointing of the sick (Can. 999, 2°);
21. To carry the oil of the sick when circumstances make it advisable (Can. 1003, 3).

### DIVINE WORSHIP

22. To impart all blessings except those reserved to the Roman Pontiff or to Bishops (Can. 1169, 2).

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### **BAPTISM**

23. Apart from a case of necessity, baptism is not to be conferred in private houses, unless the local Ordinary should for a grave reason permit it (Can. 860, 1);
24. Unless the diocesan Bishop has decreed otherwise, baptism is not to be conferred in a hospital, except in a case of necessity or for some other pressing pastoral reason (Can. 860, 2).

### **MARRIAGE**

25. To assist at marriages within the territory of his parish (Can. 1108-1109);
26. To delegate specific priests or deacons to assist at marriages within the territory of his parish (Can. 1111).

### **PAROCHIAL VICARS**

27. The general faculty to assist at marriage within the confines of their territory or jurisdiction and to give special delegation for a specific marriage within the parish to which he is assigned.

### **PRIEST CHAPLAINS (HOSPITAL)**

1. By virtue of their office, to hear the confessions of the faithful entrusted to their care, to preach to them the Word of God, to administer Viaticum and the anointing of the sick, and to confer the sacrament of confirmation on those who are in danger of death (Can. 566).

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### REGULATION FOR VISITING PRIESTS AND DEACONS

From Archbishop Brendan M. O'Brien

27 May 2015

“As recommended by the Council of Priests, I hereby announce the following policy of the Archdiocese of Kingston, effective immediately:

*“If a priest or deacon from outside the Archdiocese of Kingston is invited to exercise ministry in this Archdiocese, the pastor of the parish concerned is to obtain, from the Archdiocese of Kingston or the Ordinary or Religious Superior of the visiting priest/deacon, a statement which confirms his suitability for ministry. This statement is to be submitted to the Chancery Office of this Archdiocese, with a copy to the pastor concerned, and is valid for one year from the date of issue.*

*If a priest or deacon of the Archdiocese of Kingston is invited to exercise temporary ministry in another diocese, he is to contact the Chancery Office of this Archdiocese to request a **Statement of Suitability** and indicate the diocese and parish to which it is to be sent.”*

### CLERGY OFFENCE DECLARATION

TO BE COMPLETED ON A YEARLY BASIS

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### STATEMENT OF SUITABILITY FOR A PRIEST / DEACON BEING PRESENTED FOR MINISTRY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON

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(NAME OF PRIEST / DEACON)

is a priest / deacon in good standing of the

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(DIOCESE / ORDER)

- To the best of my knowledge in the external forum, I am of the opinion that the said priest is of good character and reputation.
- I believe that he is qualified to perform his ministerial duties in an effective and suitable manner. There is nothing in his background or service that would raise questions about his fitness for ministry.
- I am unaware of anything in his background which would render him unsuitable to work with minors under the age of eighteen years.
- A criminal background check has been completed on this priest through the civil authorities and it revealed no arrests or convictions.
- To the best of my knowledge, no accusations of sexual misconduct or sexual impropriety have ever been made against him; no criminal charge has ever been made against him; and he has never been suspended or otherwise canonically disciplined.
- Further, I have no knowledge that said priest has a current untreated alcohol or substance abuse or mental health problem.

THEREFORE, I present the said priest / deacon for faculties and/or appointment in the Archdiocese of Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

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Signed by

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Signed and SEALED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_

## Chapter 1 PRIESTLY FACULTIES & REGULATIONS

### STATEMENT OF SUITABILITY

#### FOR A PRIEST / DEACON

PRESENTED FOR MINISTRY IN A DIOCESE OUTSIDE THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON

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