

Anglican Church of Canada
Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island

**Letter of Recommendation for Participation in the Discernment Process for
Ordained Ministry**

We would ask the incumbent, two wardens and two lay members of the congregation to meet and fill in the "Letter of Recommendation for Participation in the Discernment Process for Ordained Ministry". This letter affirms your support of this person as he/she begins his/her vocational exploration.

This letter is recommending the person named to be involved with the Diocesan discernment process for ordained ministry, which lasts over a year. It includes police background checks, psychological assessment, a vocations conference and meetings with the Vocations Coordinator. Following the satisfactory completion of these steps the inquirer will then be asked to approach their parish for a "Letter of Commendation" for a particular kind of ordained ministry. This letter, a National Church document, along with the above information, will be used by the Bishop to decide if the inquirer goes to ACPO.

Once your "Letter of Recommendation" is prepared, please have the inquirer read and sign it. We would encourage you, as signatories, to follow and encourage the inquirer in the coming year as he/she discerns a call to a particular kind of ordained ministry.

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We, the undersigned clergy and laity of _____ Parish or
Worshipping community, recommend _____ to Fred, Bishop of Nova
Scotia & Prince Edward Island. This person desires to begin the discernment process for those
who perceive a call to ordained ministry in the Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island.

We offer the following comments to assist the diocese in the discernment process:

Incumbent

Lay member of congregation

Warden

Lay member of congregation

Warden

Date

Inquirer

Please forward to:

Bishop's Office
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