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Lessons in Our Faith and Diaconal Formation Program

A new video lesson on the **Sacrament of Baptism** has been added to the "Lessons in Our Faith" section of the diocesan website. Using his popular "7 Questions and 7 Answers" format, Bishop Michael discusses this subject in a concise and direct manner. In less than ten minutes, the video offers the fundamental teaching about this sacrament within the life of the Church. This is the 5th video lesson available, and installments on the Sacrament of Chrismation and Infant Baptism are scheduled for production in the very near future. Visit "Lessons in Our Faith" on the website: nynjoca.org





The Diocesan Diaconal Formation Program will soon mark the successful completion of its second year (four academic semesters). Several students, enrolled from the inauguration of the program, have been or plan to be tonsured as readers or ordained as sub-deacons/deacons. The course of study encompasses two years (four semesters), meeting every Saturday of the academic year at the Endicott NY campus of the program accredited by Saint Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary. The third year of classes

will begin in September with both returning (second year) students and new students from throughout the diocese. Those interested in the program should speak to their parish rector. A news item with photos is published on the diocesan website ... or click here!

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!