

About Dcn. Modesto R. Cordero, MA, MPT

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Deacon Modesto Cordero is the Director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Honolulu. His primary service at the Office of Worship is to assist the diocesan bishop, priests, and the liturgists of the local church. He instructs and assists clergy and parish liturgical ministers in the work of guiding the faithful in their celebration of the liturgy and the sacraments. Deacon Cordero fosters liturgical prayer that nourishes and intensifies the spiritual life of the People of God in our diocese.

He earned his first Master Degree in Arts (Communication) at the University of Northern Colorado in 1992 and the second Master Degree in Pastoral Theology from Chaminade University of Honolulu in 2015. He is an adjunct instructor for Chaminade University and Wayland Baptist University where he teaches courses in Public Speaking and Communications. At the parish level he coordinates the R.C.I.A. process at St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church in Mililani.

Together with Ms. Jayne Mondoy, Director of the Office of Religious Education, and local producer Ms. Bernadette Baraquio Hamada created a series of videos in the Sacraments of the Church. These educational videos, "One Ohana", won numeral awards like the "New Wineskins" National Conference for Catechetical Leaders award at diocesan-level productions and a bronze "Telly" award, a secular honor recognizing excellence in non-broadcast religious productions.

An actor, Deacon Cordero, played the role of Laban in the video "Yehudah", winner Best Short Film and Most Inspirational Short Film at Christian Film Festival, Orland, Fl. in 2016.

Born and raised Catholic (in the middle of the Caribbean Ocean in the Island of Puerto Rico), as a child he was always attracted to do God's work. After his ordination as a Deacon in February 2007 he felt a call to engage on adult religious education so he decided to start putting together presentations on different aspects of the Catholic faith, like the presentations he is offering at the DMCC, to help Catholic Adults deepen in their faith.

Deacon Modesto has been happily married for the last 32 years and has three daughters. He loves speaking and working with people and enjoys bringing the Word to all God's children.

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