

Tribunal Parish Advocate Training

For Lay Ministers, Priests, and Deacons
Held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center



INTRODUCTORY TRAINING INCLUDES: *Canon Law and Marriage, The Role of the Parish Advocate, Types of Cases and Procedures, Grounds of Invalidity, Forms and Questionnaires, and Case Studies.*

ADVANCED TRAINING INCLUDES: *Working with Petitioners and Respondents, Summary Statements, Proving Grounds, Multiple Cases—One Petitioner, Sacramental Registers, Recordkeeping, Special Topics, and Case Studies.*

To Register

Registration materials are available on the Tribunal's website:

<https://www.scd.org/tribunal/tribunal-resources>

Upon successful completion of both classes, participants are appointed to a four-year term as a Parish Advocate.

2026 English

Spring

Intro – March 24-25

Advanced - May 21-22

Fall

Intro – Sept 22-23

Advanced – October 20-21

2026 Español

Fall

Intro – October 24-25

Advanced- Dec 5-6

***Must have Pastor's Approval
All classes will be at the Pastoral
Center from 9am-4pm***

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