



SAINT CHARLES BORROMEEO SEMINARY

1400 Evans Road • Ambler, PA 19002
Director of Pastoral and Apostolic Formation

FALL 2026 ACOLYTE WEEKEND CALENDAR

All Acolytes (IV Theology) will be at their Parish assignments for **eight** weekends during the Fall 2026 Semester.

Fall 2026

Weekend of September 12 & 13	Acolyte Internship Begins
Weekend of September 19 & 20	Acolyte Internship
Weekend of September 26 & 27	Acolyte Internship
Weekend of October 3 & 4	Acolyte Internship
<i>October 9 – 13</i>	<i>IV Theology Diaconate Canonical Retreat – No parish</i>
Weekend of October 17 & 18	Acolyte Internship
<i>Weekend of October 24 & 25</i>	<i>Rector's Weekend for IV Theology – No parish</i>
<i>Weekend of October 31 & November 1</i>	<i>Seminary Forty Hours Begins – No parish</i>
Weekend of November 7 & 8	Acolyte Internship
Weekend of November 14 & 15	Acolyte Internship *
<i>* End of Year Evaluations to be reviewed and submitted to Director of Pastoral and Apostolic Formation by Tuesday, November 17, 2026</i>	
Weekend of November 21 & 22	Acolyte Internship – Final Weekend
<i>November 28 - 29</i>	<i>Thanksgiving Break – No parish</i>



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ACOLYTE WEEKEND EXPECTATIONS

SCHEDULE

- Friday – Sunday (overnight permissible only at the parish rectory or seminary)
- Leave after EP on Friday or Saturday morning after consultation with pastor.
- Return Sunday evening by 8 pm.

WEEKEND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist at weekend parish events/liturgies at the direction of the pastor.
- Available to assist with communion at all Sunday Masses (including Saturday and Sunday Evening).
- Greet parishioner prior to and following all Sunday Masses.
- Serve and assist at Funerals, Wedding and Baptisms.
- Assist the sacristan in preparation for Mass.
- Participate in Pre-Jordan, Pre-Cana, or other sacramental preparation classes during the weekend.
- Meet weekly with the pastor to discuss any ideas you may have to assist the parish and become informed of the weekend parish needs.

MEALS

- When available, eat meals with the clergy of the parish.

STIPEND AND REIMBURSEMENT

- Acolytes will receive a \$50 weekend stipend to be paid on a regular basis.
- See *Compensation Guidelines* for more information on payment procedures.
- Other reimbursements will be paid at the discretion of the pastor.

EVALUATIONS

- *Agreement for Learning* – Completed on the first weekend, September 12 & 13
- *End of Year Evaluation* – Completed on the weekend of November 14 & 15

ATTIRE

- Acolytes will wear clerics for the duration of their assignment.
- The cassock should only be worn during appropriate liturgies with a surplice.