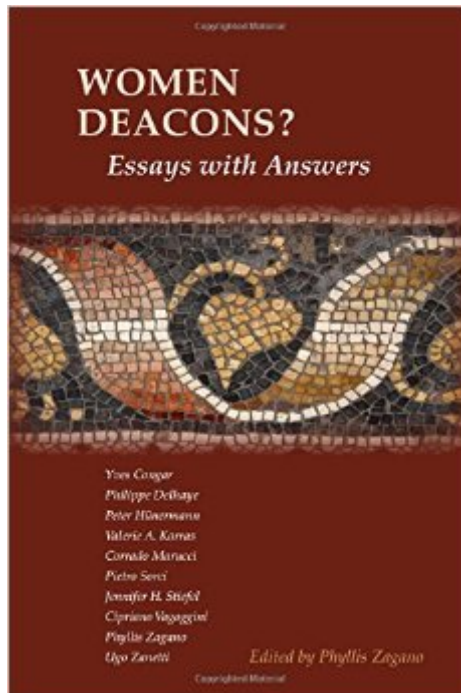


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The question of restoring women to the ordained diaconate surfaced during the Second Vatican Council and continued to resound in academic and pastoral circles well after the diaconate was restored as a permanent order in the church in the West. This volume contains twelve essays—five translated from Italian, three translated from French, and four in their original English—that answer the questions about the history and possible future of women deacons. Essays by: Yves Congar, OP; Philippe Delhaye; Peter Hänermann; Valerie A. Karras; Corrado Marucci, SJ; Pietro Sorci, OFM; Jennifer H. Stiefel; Cipriano Vagaggini, OSB; Cam Phyllis Zagano; Ugo Zanetti, OSB

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the essays are very well balanced. on the whole, the arguments and the essays supporting women deacons are the strongest. i have no bias or strong opinion on this issue.

Make no mistake this is not about the diaconate. It is part of the ongoing assault on the priesthood

by radical feminists who desire power to enforce their ideology. We saw this with the Episcopal church when their first women "deacons" immediately argued that they could now become "priests." Zagano refuses to answer the question on whether she believes that women should be priests or whether she accepts the infallible teaching that they cannot be. That tells you what you need to know. Women did not receive the sacrament of orders. They were not really deacons at all. Deaconesses were only used in the baptism of women for the sake of modesty, nothing more. We don't need that nowadays. If Zagano doesn't like it she can simply follow her true beliefs out the door to the nearest Anglican church which has declined dramatically since they "ordained" women.

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