

**Ministry Formation Program  
Church History Reading List - Dcn. Stewart**

**General Church History**

[Triumph: The Power and the Glory of the Catholic Church](#), H.W. Crocker III

[Church History in Plain Language: Fourth Edition](#), Bruce Shelby

[Timeless: A History of the Catholic Church](#), Steven Weidenkopf

[The History of the Church \(The Didache Series\) 1st Edition](#), by Peter V. Armenio

[How the Catholic Church Built Western Civilization](#), Thomas E. Woods

[Bearing False Witness: Debunking Centuries of Anti-Catholic History](#), Rodney Stark

**Early Church Fathers**

[The Fathers Know Best: Your Essential Guide to the Teachings of the Early Church](#), Jimmy Akin

[The Fathers of the Church](#), Mike Aquilina

**First Four Ecumenical Councils**

[Jesus Wars: How Four Patriarchs, Three Queens, and Two Emperors Decided What Christians Would Believe for the Next 1,500 years](#), John Philip Jenkins

**The Crusades**

[The Glory of the Crusades](#), Steven Weidenkopf

**The Protestant Reformation**

[The Reformation: A History](#), Diarmaid MacCulloch

[Rebel in the Ranks: Martin Luther, the Reformation, and the Conflicts That Continue to Shape Our World](#), Brad Gregory

[True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation](#), Jerome Williams

**Modern Church History**

[The Irony of Modern Catholic History: How the Church Rediscovered Itself and Challenged the Modern World to Reform](#), George Weigel