

Vocation Bulletin Blurbs

First Sunday of Advent 2015 to Feast of Christ the King 2016

Attn: Bulletin Editor and Parish Vocations Committee

First Sunday of Advent – November 29, 2015

“Strengthen your hearts in holiness.” Are you being called to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Second Sunday of Advent – December 6, 2015

Are you seeking “knowledge and full insight to help you determine” your vocation in Christ as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Third Sunday of Advent -- December 13, 2015

“All were questioning in their hearts.” Are you considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fourth Sunday of Advent -- December 20, 2015

“It is by God's will that we have been sanctified.” How is God calling you to grow in holiness? If He may be inviting you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Christmas -- December 25, 2015

“He gave power to become children of God.” If you think you may be called to share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Holy Family -- December 27, 2015

“He gave power to become children of God.” If you think you may be called to share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God -- January 1, 2016

“God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts.” If the Spirit of Jesus is prompting you to love and serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

The Epiphany -- January 3, 2016

“Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts.” Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Baptism of the Lord -- January 10, 2016

“This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.” Are you considering making known the love of our Heavenly Father as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 17, 2016

“There are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit.” Is the Holy Spirit leading you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 24, 2016

“You are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” Are you being called to strengthen His body through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 31, 2016

“Before you were born, I consecrated you.” If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 7, 2016 - World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

“They left everything and followed Jesus.” If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

First Sunday of Lent -- February 14, 2016

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.” Jesus the Eternal Word continues to call many to lives of holiness as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life. Could you be one of them? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Second Sunday of Lent -- February 21, 2016

“This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” If in your listening to the Lord you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Third Sunday of Lent -- February 28, 2016

“I AM has sent me to you.” Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fourth Sunday of Lent -- March 6, 2016

“God is making His appeal through us.” Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? Consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life. Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fifth Sunday of Lent -- March 13, 2016

“Christ Jesus has made me His own.” Are you called to belong to Christ alone as a priest, deacon or through the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion -- March 20, 2016

“The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious.” Docility in prayer is essential to vocation discernment. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Easter Sunday -- March 27, 2016

“The Lord is truly risen!” Are you being called to proclaim the truth of the Lord’s resurrection as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Second Sunday of Easter -- April 3, 2016

“As the Father has sent Me, so I send you.” Do you have a growing interest in sharing the Lord’s saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Third Sunday of Easter -- April 10, 2016

“Feed My lambs, tend My sheep.” If you think you may have a vocation to follow the Risen Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fourth Sunday of Easter -- April 17, 2016

“The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fifth Sunday of Easter -- April 24, 2016 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“By this everyone will know that you are My disciples.” How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord’s new commandment of love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Sixth Sunday of Easter -- May 1, 2016

“Those who love Me will keep my word.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Seventh Sunday of Easter -- May 8, 2016 – Mother’s Day

“You will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth.” If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Pentecost Sunday -- May 15, 2016

“The Spirit gave them ability.” Is the Holy Spirit preparing you to share the Lord’s mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

The Most Holy Trinity -- May 22, 2016

“We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.” How do you hope to share in God’s glory...as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – May 29, 2016

“You give them something to eat.” Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- June 5, 2016

“The gospel preached by me is not of human origin.” In what way are you called to help spread the gospel? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- June 12, 2016

“I no longer live, but Christ lives in me.” Is Christ inviting you to let Him live in you through single-hearted service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- June 19, 2016 - Father’s Day

“The Lord called me before I was born.” Do you pray to know your vocation which was given to you before you were born? Could it be as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- June 26, 2016

“As for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 3, 2016

“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.” Are you being called by the Lord of the harvest to proclaim His kingdom as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 10, 2016

“What must I do to inherit eternal life?” Faithfulness to one’s vocation is essential to holiness. Is yours to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 17, 2016

“Mary has chosen the better part.” Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 24, 2016

“Give us this day our daily bread.” Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 31, 2016

“One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 7, 2016

“Faith is the assurance of that which is hoped for.” If you believe in the Giver of the call, you can hope to be true to it. Will you follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 14, 2016

“Run the race which lies ahead.” Are you called to keep your eyes fixed on Christ and run the race of faith to heaven as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 21, 2016

“Make straight paths for your feet.” Will your path of holiness be as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 28, 2016

“An attentive ear is the desire of the wise.” Is your prayer attentive to the wisdom of Christ? Is He inviting you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 4, 2016

“None of you can become My disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.” Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 11, 2016

“This brother of yours was dead and has come to life.” Do you want to bring others to life in Christ as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 18, 2016

“Who will entrust to you the true riches?” The riches of truth belong to those who are faithful to Christ and their vocation. Will you follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 25, 2016

“Fight the good fight of the faith.” Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 2, 2016

“God did not give us a spirit of cowardice.” Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you beyond your fearful hesitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 9, 2016

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 16, 2016

“Pray always and do not to lose heart.” If you are considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, let the grace of prayer encourage you. Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 23, 2016

“All who humble themselves will be exalted.” Is humble service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life your path of holiness and eternal glory in Christ? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 30, 2016

“The Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.” Will you share in Christ’s saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 6, 2016 – National Vocations Awareness Week Nov. 6-12

“May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God.” Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 13, 2016

“By your endurance you will gain your souls.” Are you being invited to gain your soul and the souls of countless others for Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King -- November 20, 2016

“Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom.” Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org.