

Vocation General Intercessions
First Sunday of Advent 2018 to Feast of Christ the King 2019
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Attn: Pastors and Parish Vocation Promoters

The following intercessions are provided for your use to support the development of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese. They are keyed to the liturgical calendar. Please consider including them in your mass intentions.

First Sunday of Advent – December 2, 2018

As we look to the birth of our Savior, that many will be called to follow in His footsteps to minister to His flock, we pray to the Lord.

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—December 8, 2018 [Holy day of Obligation]

That, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, many will be called to serve in the priesthood and religious life, we pray to the Lord.

Second Sunday of Advent -- December 9, 2017

That the Lord, who is beginning the good work of choosing from among us men and women to follow Him as priests and religious sisters and brothers, will bring it to completion through our prayers and sacrifices, we pray to the Lord.

Third Sunday of Advent -- December 16, 2017

That the Lord will call members from our flock to “bring glad tidings to the poor and heal the brokenhearted” as a priest or religious brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.

Fourth Sunday of Advent -- December 23, 2018

That the faithful response, “Behold, I come to do your will, O Lord,” will be voiced by each person discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest, sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

Christmas -- December 25, 2018

That, just as Joseph “did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him,” young men and women will answer the call of the Holy Spirit to vocations in the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Feast of the Holy Family -- December 30, 2018

For all Catholic families, that they will esteem the grace of each child’s vocation and prayerfully encourage their children to consider being a priest or religious sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God -- January 1, 2019 [Holy day of Obligation]

That Mary, the Mother of God and patroness of Vocations will nurture, guide and protect all those called to the priesthood and the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

The Epiphany -- January 6, 2019

That, just as the Magi were inspired by the Holy Spirit, young men and women will be inspired to follow in the footsteps of the Lord as priests and consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.

The Baptism of the Lord -- January 13, 2018

That, like John the Baptist, all those called by the Lord to serve his church will accept his invitation, we pray to the Lord.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 20, 2019

That all those especially chosen by Christ for the unique paths of holiness as priests or in the consecrated life, will heed our Blessed Mother's counsel to do whatever He tells them in loving obedience, we pray to the Lord.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 27, 2019

For all men and women called by Jesus to teach the Gospel as priests, sisters and brothers, that the joy of the Lord will remain their strength during their discernment, formation and mission, we pray to the Lord.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 3, 2019, World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

For those called to service for the Lord as priests, sisters and brothers, that they will be encouraged to follow the Lord and faithful to His choice of them, we pray to the Lord.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 10, 2019

For all men and women called by Jesus to teach the Gospel as priests, sisters and brothers, that the joy of the Lord will remain their strength during their discernment, formation and mission, we pray to the Lord.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 17, 2019

That all those called to follow Jesus in the priesthood or consecrated life will allow the Holy Spirit to strengthen them each day in their vocation, we pray to the Lord.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 24, 2019

For perseverance in sincere prayer on the part of the faithful, asking the Lord for holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- March 3, 2019

That the Lord will bless us with vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life to serve as teachers to his flock, we pray to the Lord.

Ash Wednesday—March 6, 2019

That men and women will answer the call of their vocations, denying themselves, taking up their crosses, and following Christ, we pray to the Lord.

First Sunday of Lent -- March 10, 2019

For all men and women being chosen by Christ to follow Him as priests, sisters and brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call, we pray to the Lord.

Second Sunday of Lent -- March 17, 2019

That our priests, who bring us to the mountain of Christ at every Mass and feed us with His transforming love in the Holy Eucharist, will be strengthened in their life and vocation, we pray to the Lord.

Third Sunday of Lent – March 24, 2019

That like Moses, young people will enter more deeply into conversation with the Lord in prayer as they seek to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 31, 2019

For the faithful response of all persons now being called to seek out those who are lost and bring them back to life in Christ by serving Him and His Church as priests, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

Fifth Sunday of Lent – April 7, 2019

That priests, sisters and brothers who, for the sake of Christ, have suffered the loss of all things, will be strengthened in their vocations to bring many souls to the knowledge of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion – April 14, 2019

For all those being called to share in the passion of Christ as priests and in the consecrated life, that they will echo His Eternal Word of mercy in their own faithfulness to the Father's will, we pray to the Lord.

Easter Sunday -- April 21, 2019

That the Risen Lord, made known to us through apostolic witness, will bestow upon us more men and women who will answer the call to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

Second Sunday of Easter -- April 28, 2019 - Divine Mercy Sunday

That we may be blessed with priests and consecrated religious to serve as messengers of God's divine mercy, we pray to the Lord.

Third Sunday of Easter -- May 5, 2019

For prayerful openness in our young people, that they will see their vocation discernment as a call to love the Lord and respond generously to His choice of them, we pray to the Lord.

Fourth Sunday of Easter -- May 12, 2019- World Day of Prayer for Vocations

That the Lord of the harvest will send laborers into his harvest inspiring young men and women to accept vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Fifth Sunday of Easter -- May 19, 2019

That the coming of the new heaven and new earth will be hastened through the holy lives and faithful witness of all those called to serve the Lord as priests, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

Sixth Sunday of Easter -- May 26, 2019

That the Holy Spirit will guide and comfort men and women discerning their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

The Ascension of the Lord -- June 2, 2019

That Christ, from his seat in heaven, will bless and guide all those called to serve Him as priests, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

Pentecost Sunday -- June 9, 2019

That those now discerning their vocations will be guided by the Holy Spirit to respond to the Lord's call with generous hearts, we pray to the Lord.

The Most Holy Trinity – June 16, 2019

That those chosen to share the mercy of God as priests, sisters and brothers will be faithful to the Spirit of Truth who has called them and guides them, we pray to the Lord.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -- June 23, 2019 [Corpus Christi]

That the Body and Blood of Christ will strengthen those being called to the priesthood or consecrated life to persevere in their vocations and respond with confidence and joy, we pray to the Lord.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30, 2019

That men and women called to proclaim the kingdom of God as priests and in the consecrated life, will be given the strength to overcome every obstacle to their response through prayer and the practice of virtue, we pray to the Lord.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 7, 2019

For an increase in laborers to the Lord of the Harvest in response to our prayers for vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life, and for the holiness of all those now serving the people of our diocese in these vocations, we pray to the Lord.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 14, 2019

That all those now discerning their vocation will be attentive in prayer and active in their response to Jesus the Eternal Word who calls them, we pray to the Lord.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 21, 2019

That like Mary of Bethany, all priests and religious brothers and sisters will listen to the Lord in prayer, faithful to their choice of vocation, we pray to the Lord.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 28, 2019

That the Holy Spirit will give inspiration and guidance to all those discerning their vocation in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 4, 2019

That those who desire to be “rich in what matters to God” and are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will be enriched by the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 11, 2019

That those who have been given their vocations as priests and consecrated men and women will be guided to imitate the Lord's generosity as they live that gift, we pray to the Lord.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary -- August 15, 2019 [Holy day of Obligation]

That through the intercession of our Heavenly mother, we will be blessed with abundant vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 18, 2019

For all those who are troubled in the discernment of their vocation, that they will be blessed by the Holy Spirit with encouragement, insight and the grace of perseverance, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 25, 2019

That all men and women pursuing a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will have the discipline and perseverance to follow in the path of Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 1, 2019

That those discerning vocations “will find favor with God” and renewed dedication to His work, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 8, 2019

For the faithful response of all those being called by Christ to take up their crosses and follow Him as a priest, sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 15, 2019

That the Lord, who rejoices over one sinner who repents, will bless us with vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life to call sinners to repentance, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 22, 2019

For all those dedicated to following the one true Master, that they will be strengthened in their vocations as priests and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 29, 2019

That the pursuit of righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness will mark the lives of all those discerning our Heavenly Father’s will, especially those considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 6, 2019

That by the power of the Holy Spirit, every Catholic called to the priesthood and consecrated life will guard the treasure of their unique vocation in Christ and fan it into a flame of their love for Him, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 13, 2019

For an increase in gratitude among God’s people for the mercy shown them through the holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in their midst, and that more men and women will faithfully respond to His call, we pray to the Lord.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 20, 2019

For perseverance in sincere prayer on the part of the faithful, asking the Lord of the Harvest for holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 27, 2019

That all men and women chosen to fight the good fight of proclaiming faith in Jesus Christ as priests and religious sisters and brothers, will find encouragement in our prayers and support, we pray to the Lord.

All Saints -- November 1, 2019 [Holy day of Obligation]

That, through the intercession of all the saints, the Lord will grant holy men and women of our community vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 3, 2019 (National Vocation Awareness Week)

That the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in all those chosen to follow Him as priests or in the consecrated life and that they in turn will be glorified for their faithfulness to His call, we pray to the Lord.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 10, 2019

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, that young people will be open to God's call in their lives, and respond generously to give their lives to Him in the service of the Church, we pray to the Lord.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 17, 2019

That prayer, hard work and generous service will prepare many men and women to answer the Lord's call to follow Him as priests and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Solemnity of Christ the King -- November 24, 2019

That Christ the King, who brought peace through death on the cross, will choose many men and women to preach redemption as priests and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.