

## **Sunday Intercessions for Vocations**

### **Cycle A**

#### **First Sunday of Advent -- November 28, 2010**

That those called to plow the Lord's vineyard with the sword of His Word and Spirit will respond with generosity in serving Him as a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Second Sunday of Advent -- December 5, 2010**

For all those especially chosen by Christ to "prepare the way of the Lord" in their hearts and the hearts of His people as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Third Sunday of Advent -- December 12, 2010**

For men and women called by the Lord to be priests, deacons and consecrated religious, that the peace of Christ will guard their hearts and minds as they proclaim the good news of salvation to His people, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent -- December 19, 2010**

For a deeper trust and docility to the Holy Spirit among persons discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest deacon or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Christmas -- December 25, 2010**

That as Joseph and Mary welcomed the gift of the Child Jesus, all mothers and fathers will prayerfully foster each of their children's vocations in Christ and especially welcome His call for priests, brothers and sisters, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Feast of the Holy Family -- December 26, 2010**

That Catholic families will pray generously for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from among their children, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God -- January 1, 2011**

That through our Blessed Mother's intercession, all those being called to holiness as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, will find joy and faithfulness in their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

#### **The Epiphany -- January 2, 2011**

For an increased understanding among our young people that they are uniquely chosen by God to be holy through their specific vocation to their state in life in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

#### **The Baptism of the Lord -- January 9, 2011 (National Vocations Awareness Week)**

That during National Vocation Awareness Week, every parishioner will increase their dedication to fostering vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life through prayer and words of invitation and encouragement, we pray to the Lord.

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 16, 2011**

That all baptized Catholics will recognize their responsibility to discover their vocation in Christ and follow Him, especially those chosen for the unique calling to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 23, 2011**

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and for a deeper gratitude for the priests and religious now serving our diocese by proclaiming the kingdom of heaven among us, we pray to the Lord.

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 30, 2011**

That all those discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will find encouragement through our prayers and sacrifices on their behalf, we pray to the Lord.

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 6, 2011 - World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life**

That God's love for us manifest in the gift of His only Son will inspire many men and women to give themselves to God as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 13, 2011**

That the Holy Spirit who scrutinizes everything, will assist all those discerning a vocation to the priesthood and consecrated life in discovering the truth of God's call, we pray to the Lord.

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 20, 2011**

For all those called to be perfected through the vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, that their lives of service in charity will bear lasting fruit, we pray to the Lord.

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 27, 2011**

That by their example of seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, priest, deacons, sisters and brothers will win many souls to Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- March 6, 2011**

For confident trust in the Lord who He leads and guides all those discerning a call to serve Him and His people as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**First Sunday of Lent -- March 13, 2011**

That prayer, penance and almsgiving will dispose more men and women to follow the Holy Spirit as He leads them to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**Second Sunday of Lent -- March 20, 2011**

For all our priests, who bring us to the mountain of Christ at every Mass and feed us with His transforming love in the sacraments, we pray to the Lord.

**Third Sunday of Lent -- March 27, 2011**

For all those thirsting to know their vocations in Christ, that they will be open to the waters of prayer and drink fully of the Holy Spirit who leads them, we pray to the Lord.

**Fourth Sunday of Lent -- April 3, 2011**

That like the man born blind, we will allow Jesus to open our eyes and hearts to His will and bring more men and women to respond to His call to serve Him and His Church as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Fifth Sunday of Lent -- April 10, 2011**

For all those being called to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, that they may deepen their faith in Christ who calls them to glorify God in a profoundly personal way through their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion -- April 17, 2011**

For the faithful response of all men and women called to follow Christ and His passion more closely through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Easter Sunday -- April 24, 2011**

That more men and women will joyfully answer the call of the Lord to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Second Sunday of Easter -- May 1, 2011**

For all our priests, deacons, sisters and brothers whom God has sent in the name of Jesus to serve the people of Baltimore, that they will be blessed with continued faithfulness to Him and inspire many more to consider a vocation to consecrated life and ordained ministry, we pray to the Lord.

**Third Sunday of Easter -- May 8, 2011 -- Mother's Day**

That all Catholic mothers will draw close to Mary and nurture openness to the Holy Spirit in the Lord's call to their children, especially should He honor them with vocations to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Fourth Sunday of Easter -- May 15, 2011 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst, we pray to the Lord.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter -- May 22, 2011**

For a deeper faith, hope and love among all Christians in Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life and especially among those He is calling to do the works that He does as a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.

**Sixth Sunday of Easter -- May 29, 2011**

For a growing conviction among our young people that they are loved by our Heavenly Father and that Jesus will manifest Himself to them through their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter -- June 5, 2011 - Ascension of the Lord**

That seated at the right hand of His Father in heaven, the Lord will generously share His spirit of wisdom with all those now discerning their vocation and open the eyes of the hearts in faithfulness, we pray to the Lord.

**Pentecost Sunday -- June 12, 2011**

For an increased devotion to the Holy Spirit among our young people, as He leads them in their prayerful discernment to discover their vocation in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**The Most Holy Trinity -- June 19, 2011 – Father's Day**

That Catholic fathers will foster vocation awareness among their children, knowing that they will be helping to reveal the Heavenly Father's love by their prayer, guidance and example, we pray to the Lord.

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -- June 26, 2011**

That all Catholics will adore the great gift of the Holy Eucharist given to them by Jesus Christ at the hands of His priests and that those chosen to nourish His body as priests and in the consecrated life will inspire many more to follow Him, we pray to the Lord.

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 3, 2011**

That more men and women will learn from Jesus and discover that the yoke of their vocation is perfectly suited to them and respond with humble, gentle service as priests, deacons and consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 10, 2011**

That the call to serve Christ and His Church in the priesthood and consecrated life will fall on the rich soil of hearts prepared by prayer, hard work, and generous service to others, we pray to the Lord.

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 17, 2011**

That with dedicated spirits, we will beg the Lord of the Harvest to provide an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese who will help gather the wheat of souls into His barn, we pray to the Lord.

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 24, 2011**

For a greater awareness of the richness of every vocation to love Christ and that more men and women will respond to His invitation to follow Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 31, 2011**

That those called to help Christ feed the multitude will not be held back by what they see as their limitations, but will rely on Jesus who will feed those to whom they are sent as priests, deacon, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 7, 2011**

For all those called to priesthood and consecrated life, that they will have no fear in responding to Jesus as He calls them to trust in Him and His choice of them, we pray to the Lord.

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 14, 2011**

That more men and women will have the faith to hear God's call in their lives and respond with hope in His promise and love for the Savior by following Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 21, 2011**

That trusting in Christ's words to Peter, all those called to follow the Lord as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will recognize the gift of their call and follow Him faithfully, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 28, 2011**

That none of us will be a hindrance to those men and women called to take up their cross and follow Jesus as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 4, 2011**

For a deeper participation among families in prayer for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life among their children, knowing that Christ is in their midst, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 11, 2011**

For all those chosen to take up their cross in union with Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life that others might have eternal life, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 18, 2011**

That there will be an abundance of laborers chosen by the Lord to serve as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life in this vineyard of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 25, 2011**

For the graces of clarity and active response in the discernment of our Heavenly Father's will for all those considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 2, 2011**

That men and women will be open to the voice of the Lord, asking the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help them recognize and answer His call to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 9, 2011**

That from the many called to holiness in Christ, those chosen to follow Him more closely in the priesthood and consecrated life will respond with humble readiness, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 16, 2011**

For a growth in reverence for the gift and mystery of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and a readiness to give to God what is God's in response to His call, we pray to the Lord.

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 23, 2011**

That men and women will be encouraged to love God and their neighbor with the love of the Heart of Christ and follow Him generously when chosen to serve others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated religious life, we pray to the Lord.

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 30, 2011**

That men and women will be encouraged to love God and their neighbor with the love of the Heart of Christ and follow Him generously when chosen to serve others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated religious life, we pray to the Lord.

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 6, 2011**

That those called to serve the Lord and His people as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will be blessed with holy zeal in their prayers and apostolates, we pray to the Lord.

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 13, 2011**

That the Church will be continuously blessed with good and faithful servants following Christ as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**Solemnity of Christ the King -- November 20, 2011**

For a deepening understanding among those discerning their vocation that the One who calls them is Jesus Christ the King, we pray to the Lord.



## **CYCLE B**

### **November 27, 2011 - First Sunday of Advent**

That the hearts and minds of those called to serve the Lord as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will not be lacking in any spiritual gift, but will continue to be enriched in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 4, 2011 - Second Sunday of Advent**

For all those especially chosen by Christ to "prepare the way of the Lord" in their hearts and the hearts of His people as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 11, 2011 - Third Sunday of Advent**

That men and women called by the Lord to be messengers of His Word as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will zealously proclaim the good news of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 18, 2011 - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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, deacon or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 25, 2011 - Christmas**

That Catholic families will pray for and nurture the gift of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from among their children, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 1, 2012 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

That in union with Mary, the Mother of God, we who have received Spirit of her Son into our hearts, will pray with zeal for holy vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 8, 2012 - The Epiphany**

That our young people will learn to open the treasure of their unique vocation through prayer and adore Christ the King by their faithfulness to His call, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 15, 2012 - The Baptism of the Lord**

That during National Vocation Awareness Week, every parishioner will devote themselves and their families to praying for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, especially from our own parish, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 22, 2012 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That like Samuel, all baptized Catholics will be faithful to their call to follow Christ, especially those chosen for the unique consecration of priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**January 29, 2012 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For a prompt and determined response on the part of all men and women called by Jesus to proclaim the Kingdom of Heaven as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**February 5, 2012 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For those called to serve Jesus as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life, that amazed at the authority with which He speaks His invitation, they will be faithful to His choice of them, we pray to the Lord.

**February 12, 2012 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time or World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life**

That all Catholics will recognize that they are entrusted with the commission to pray for vocations and so beg the Holy Spirit to guide the deep searching of all who are discerning their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**February 19, 2012 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For a truer understanding that faithfulness to one's vocation in Christ is necessary in order to do all for the glory of God, we pray to the Lord.

**February 26, 2012 - First Sunday of Lent**

That the generous lives of those who preach that the kingdom of God is at hand will invite our young people to consider a vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**March 4, 2012 - Second Sunday of Lent**

For all our priests, who bring us to the mountain of Christ at every Mass and feed us with His transforming love in the sacraments, and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**March 11, 2012 - Third Sunday of Lent**

That all those seeking to discover their vocations in Christ will take heart in the faith that He is the Lord our God and calls them to the glorious perfection of love, we pray to the Lord.

**March 18, 2012 - Fourth Sunday of Lent**

That God, who is rich in mercy, will bless those called by Jesus to serve Him and His Church as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life with faithfulness to their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

**March 25, 2012 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

That God's name will be glorified by the faithful love of those men and women being called by Christ to serve and follow Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.



**April 1, 2012 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

That in imitation of Christ who emptied Himself for our salvation, more men and women will share in His passion for souls through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**April 8, 2012 - Easter Sunday**

That more men and women will joyfully answer the call of the Lord to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**April 15, 2012 - Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday**

For the holiness of all those sent in Jesus' name as priests, deacons and consecrated religious to proclaim the victory over the world through faith in Him, we pray to the Lord.

**April 22, 2012 - Third Sunday of Easter**

For an increased awareness among our young people of the closeness of the Lord in their vocation discernment and their responsibility to recognize and follow Him, we pray to the Lord.

**April 29, 2012 - Fourth Sunday of Easter**

For all those called to lay down their lives as priests, deacons, and in the consecrated life, that they will be faithful witnesses to the Good Shepherd in our midst, we pray to the Lord.

**May 6, 2012 - Fifth Sunday of Easter**

That Catholic mothers will abide in the Lord as branches on His vine, cultivating in their children the desire to love Him in truth and action, especially should He honor them with vocations to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**May 13, 2012 - Sixth Sunday of Easter**

For all those chosen by the Lord to go and bear fruit as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, that they will respond to His love with conviction in their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

**May 20, 2012 - Seventh Sunday of Easter**

For all men and women now discerning their vocation in Christ, that they will have confidence in Him, who calls them each as members of His body, we pray to the Lord.

**May 27, 2012 - Pentecost Sunday**

That through union with the Blessed Virgin Mary, in whose company the Apostles received the Holy Spirit, men and women will receive the grace to respond to Christ's call to follow Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**June 3, 2012 - The Most Holy Trinity**

That the mystery of the love of the Blessed Trinity, manifest in the gift of Jesus Christ, will strengthen many men and women to respond to that love as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**June 10, 2012 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

For a growing trust in the presence of the Lord in His call among men and women being chosen to serve Him and His Church as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**June 17, 2012 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary**

That Catholic fathers will teach their children to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist with reverence and encourage them to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord

**June 24, 2012 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 1, 2012 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the faith to accept the healing power of Jesus, who wants to remove every obstacle to the response of men and women chosen to follow Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**July 8, 2012 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That all men and women will answer the Lord with humble obedience when they are called to serve Him and His people as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**July 15, 2012 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That all those called to serve Christ and His Church in the priesthood and consecrated life will receive the graces and authority of their mission to the praise of God's glory, we pray to the Lord.

**July 22, 2012 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all the priests and religious men and women who serve our diocese, that, grateful for their calling, they will heed the Lord's invitation to pray in restful solitude with Him, we pray to the Lord.

**July 29, 2012 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That the knowledge of our unity, one body and one spirit in Christ, will heighten each person's faithfulness to their vocation and encourage those He is calling to strengthen His bond of peace as priests, deacons and consecrated religious, we pray to the Lord.

**August 5, 2012 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 12, 2012 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That the grace of God the Father will drawn more men and women to follow Jesus as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life who will feed His people with His word and the bread of eternal life, we pray to the Lord.

**August 19, 2012 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all those now discerning their vocations in Christ, that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit and nourished by the living bread of His holy will for them, we pray to the Lord.

**August 26, 2012 - Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That trusting Christ, the Word of eternal life, all men and women called to follow the Lord as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers will be faithful to His invitation, we pray to the Lord.

**September 2, 2012 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the willingness among our young people, by the grace from the Father of lights, of making a generous gift of their lives as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**September 9, 2012 - Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For a deeper dedication among Catholic families to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life among their children, believing that Christ opens ears to hear His call and hearts to answer Him, we pray to the Lord.

**September 16, 2012 - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That those called to give their lives for the sake of the Gospel as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, will glory in the cross of Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**September 23, 2012 - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all those who welcome the call of the Lord to serve Him as priests deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will be strengthened in their vocations as servants of all with the simplicity of children of God, we pray to the Lord.

**September 30, 2012 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the grace of prayerful determination on the part of all those discerning our Heavenly Father's will, especially those considering a vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**October 7, 2012 - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That men and women will receive their unique vocations in Christ at the hands of our Heavenly Father, confident of His wisdom and providence in their response as His children, we pray to the Lord.

**October 14, 2012 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That those chosen to leave all and follow Jesus more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life will respond with the wisdom and understanding given by the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

**October 21, 2012 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For reverent boldness on the part of the faithful as they approach the throne of grace in prayer, asking the Lord of the Harvest for holy vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**October 28, 2012 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all men and women now considering their vocation, that they will take heart in Jesus' call to serve Him as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life by our words of encouragement and prayers of support, we pray to the Lord.

**November 4, 2012 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**November 11, 2012 - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That those called to proclaim the Kingdom of God as priests, deacons and consecrated religious, will be generous in serving Christ by deepening their trust in God's providence, we pray to the Lord.

**November 18, 2012 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That the Church will be continuously blessed with wise and holy priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, chosen by Christ to lead souls to the glory of Heaven, we pray to the Lord.

**November 25, 2012 - Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**

That Christ the King will draw all men and women to the truth of their vocations by listening to His voice in prayer and then actively following His call to the praise of His glory, we pray to the Lord.



## CYCLE C

### **December 2, 2012 - First Sunday of Advent**

That all those now discerning their vocations will be alert and responsive to the invitation of Christ, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 9, 2012 - Second Sunday of Advent**

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

### **December 16, 2012 - Third Sunday of Advent**

For men and women called by the Lord to be messengers of salvation as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, that Christ's peace will guard their hearts and minds as they proclaim the good news of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 23, 2012 - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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, deacon, sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 25, 2012 - Christmas**

That like Mary who pondered the mystery of Jesus' birth, Catholic families will pray for and treasure vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life among their children, we pray to the Lord.

### **December 30, 2012 - Holy Family**

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, religious sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 1, 2013 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

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

### **January 6, 2013 - The Epiphany**

That all those called to share the promise of the Gospel of Christ Jesus through their vocations as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, will do so with humble confidence in the commission of God's grace which has been given to them, we pray to the Lord.

### **January 13, 2013 - Baptism of the Lord (National Vocations Awareness Week)**

That during National Vocations Awareness Week, all Catholics will deepen their responsibility to foster vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life among our young people through prayer and by inviting them to consider that call, we pray to the Lord.

**January 20, 2013 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That all those especially chosen by Christ for the unique paths of holiness as priests, deacons 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.

**January 27, 2013 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**February 3, 2013 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For those called to the more excellent way of celibacy for the sake of the kingdom as priests, sisters and brothers, that they will be encouraged to follow the Lord, faithful to His choice of them, we pray to the Lord.

**February 10, 2013 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time or World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life**

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 and mission, we pray to the Lord.

**February 17, 2013 - First Sunday of Lent**

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

**February 24, 2013 Second Sunday of Lent**

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

**March 3, 2013 - Third Sunday of Lent**

That like Moses, our 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.

**March 10, 2013 - Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**March 17, 2013 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

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

**March 24, 2013 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

For all those being called to share in the passion of Christ as priests, deacons 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.

**March 31, 2013 - Easter Sunday**

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

**April 7, 2013 - Second Sunday of Easter**

That the gift of Christ's peace will remain with all priests, deacons and those in the consecrated life who, sent in His name, proclaim the victory over the world through faith in Him, we pray to the Lord.

**April 14, 2013 - Third Sunday of Easter**

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.

**April 21, 2013 - Fourth Sunday of Easter or World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

For grace of confidence in prayer for all those discerning their vocation as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will be faithful to the voice of the Good Shepherd, we pray to the Lord.

**April 28, 2013 - Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**May 5, 2013 - Sixth Sunday of Easter**

That Catholic mothers will make a home for the Lord in their hearts and in their families, welcoming His call to their children, especially should He honor them with vocations to the priesthood or the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**May 12, 2013 - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Ascension of the Lord**

That through the power of the Holy Spirit, all men and women will be led to their true vocations in Christ, proclaiming the kingdom of God by the witness of their lives, we pray to the Lord.

**May 19, 2013 - Pentecost Sunday**

That one with the Blessed Virgin Mary, in whose company the Apostles received the Holy Spirit, those now discerning their vocations will grow in their ability to recognize the Lord's call and respond with generous hearts, we pray to the Lord.

**May 26, 2013 - The Most Holy Trinity**

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

**June 2, 2013 - Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

That the power of the Body and Blood of Christ will encourage those being called to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life to respond with confidence and joy, we pray to the Lord.

**June 9, 2013 – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 16, 2013 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That all those discerning their vocation will find the direction they need and the peace of Christ through the sacramental ministry of priests, we pray to the Lord.

**June 23, 2013 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all fathers, who are especially called to manifest the love of the Blessed Trinity in their families and the world, will encourage vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life among their children, we pray to the Lord.

**June 30, 2013 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That men and women called to proclaim the kingdom of God by their lives of service as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will have the determination to overcome every obstacle to their response through prayer and the practice of virtue, we pray to the Lord.

**July 7, 2013 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For an increase in our dedication to keep the Lord of the Harvest's command to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate 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.

**July 14, 2013 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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.

**July 21, 2013 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That like Mary of Bethany, all the priests, deacons and men and women in the consecrated life will listen to the Lord in the silence of prayer, faithful to their choice of that better part, we pray to the Lord.

**July 28, 2013 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That with every "Our Father" we will be mindful of His generous goodness and ask that the Holy Spirit be given to all those discerning their vocation in Christ, we pray to the Lord.



**August 4, 2013 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For a deepening conviction that each of us hidden with Christ in God makes His merciful love manifest through every vocation faithfully lived in Christ, to the glory of God and the salvation of His people, we pray to the Lord.

**August 11, 2013 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**August 18, 2013 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 25, 2013 - Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That all those striving to enter heaven through the narrow gate of celibacy for the sake of Christ's kingdom will find strength and peace in their freely chosen discipline, we pray to the Lord.

**September 1, 2013 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For a deeper sense of gratitude for the profoundly beautiful mystery celebrated at every Mass and for all our priests, who humbly make Christ present by the power of the Holy Spirit through the grace of ordination, we pray to the Lord.

**September 8, 2013 - Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**September 15, 2013 - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the holiness of all those called to be examples to those who would come to believe in Christ for eternal life as priests, deacons and consecrated men and women, we pray to the Lord.

**September 22, 2013 - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all those especially dedicated to making supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving on behalf of God's people, that they will be strengthened in their vocations as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

**September 29, 2013 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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.

**October 6, 2013 - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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 into flame their love for Him, we pray to the Lord.

**October 13, 2013 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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.

**October 20, 2013 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**October 27, 2013 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**November 3, 2013 - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**November 10, 2013 - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That those who live in celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom of God as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, will be blessed on earth for their witness to the resurrection of the body in the life to come, we pray to the Lord.

**November 17, 2013 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**November 24, 2013 - Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**

That Christ the King, who has brought peace through the blood of His cross, will choose many men and women from our midst to preach redemption by the forgiveness of sins as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.