

## Vocation Intercessions

One way to keep vocations foremost in the minds of the faithful is to pray for vocations every week, but it is important to use a variety of prayer, so you aren't simply repeating the same intercession week after week. Below are a number of intercessions using three common formats. We hope these will help you rotate the intercessions, as well as inspiring you to write some new ones of your own.

### FOR...

1. For vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially from among the young people of our parish (community), we pray to the Lord
2. For vocations to the Missionaries of the Precious Blood and the Sisters of the Precious Blood, we pray to the Lord.
3. For those in our parish whom the Lord has called to profess vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, we pray to the Lord.
4. For the young people of our parish (community) who are considering the priesthood or religious life, we pray to the Lord.
5. For the young people of our community who are actively discerning their vocation, we pray to the Lord.
6. For those who are yet to discover God's plan for their life, we pray to the Lord.
7. For an increase in all vocations in the Church, we pray to the Lord.
8. For an increase in all vocations in the Church and in a particular way for priestly vocations, we pray to the Lord.
9. For an increase in all vocations in the Church and in a particular way vocations to religious life, we pray to the Lord.
10. For an increase in all vocations in the Church and in a particular way for good and holy marriages, we pray to the Lord.
11. For a better nurturing of priestly and religious vocations in our families and parish, we pray to the Lord.
12. For our parents and teachers, who nurture vocations in our young people, we pray to the Lord.
13. For all parents who by their prayer and example nourish the call of God in their children, we pray to the Lord.
14. For all those preparing for the priesthood or the religious life, we pray to the Lord.  
For a surge of vocations to the priesthood and religious life from our parish, we pray to the Lord.

## THAT...

1. That God will supply holy shepherds for the Church, we pray to the Lord.
2. That the example of religious sisters and brothers will show forth the Church as the sacrament of salvation for the world, we pray to the Lord.
3. That God will call men from our parish to serve the Church as Missionaries of the Precious Blood, we pray to the Lord.
4. That more young men and women will have the courage to follow God's call to serve the church, we pray to the Lord.
5. That God will call men and women from our parish community to serve as priests or religious, we pray to the Lord.
6. That more men and women will respond with generosity to God's call to service in the Church, we pray to the Lord.
7. That those who are actively discerning a religious vocation may seek joy and selfless love as they continue to listen to the voice of the Lord, we pray to the Lord.
8. That the people of God may continually pray that the Lord will send workers to his harvest, we pray to the Lord.
9. That the children of our parish may discover and become the men and women God made them to be, we pray to the Lord.
10. That teachers and youth ministers will encourage children and young people to consider life as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
11. That parent will encourage their children to consider the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.
12. That those who feel a call to the priesthood or religious life may find the courage to respond to God's call with generosity, we pray to the Lord.
13. That young men and women will listen to the Holy Spirit in their hearts and respond to wherever the Lord is calling them, we pray to the Lord.
14. That our homes and parish will be places where vocations are nurtured and encouraged, we pray to the Lord.
15. That through the power of the Holy Spirit, God will fill those He has called with the courage and faith to say yes to a life of service, we pray to the Lord.
16. That the Lord of the Harvest may open the hearts of our young people to the possibility of life as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
17. That parents, by their lives and example, may encourage church vocations among their children, we pray to the Lord.
18. That all the baptized would recognize, accept and follow their Baptismal call to holiness, we pray to the Lord.

19. That all the baptized will be faithful and fruitful witnesses to the Good News of Jesus Christ in the world, we pray to the Lord.
20. That monks and nuns, whose lives are governed by the spirit and practice of contemplation, will be sustained in their lives of prayer by the support of God's grace and our faith, we pray to the Lord.
21. That those who are preparing for the priesthood or religious life may persevere in their preparation, and that their families be blessed, we pray to the Lord.
22. That our young people may know the personal love of the Lord for them, and respond with open and generous hearts, we pray to the Lord.
23. That parents will be courageous and pray "the difficult prayer," that one or more of their sons or daughters will hear and follow God's call to life as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
24. That members of our parish might have the courage to become the voice of God, encouraging a neighbor to a life of service as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
25. That members of our parish might continue to actively invite men and women in our midst to consider life as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
26. That many young men will be open to Jesus' call to religious life as a priest or brother, we pray to the Lord.
27. That many young women will be open to Jesus' call to consecrated religious life, we pray to the Lord.
28. That the Lord of the Harvest will direct us to encourage those He is calling to the priesthood or religious life, we pray to the Lord.
29. That the young people of our parish will have servant's hearts, we pray to the Lord.
30. That an abundant harvest of vocations will rise up from among our young people, we pray to the Lord.

**FOR ...; THAT...**

1. For those discerning priesthood or the religious life, and for all those in formation; that the Lord may give them the grace to love the whole Church community, we pray to the Lord
2. For all those who seek to know God's will for them; that they will listen deeply and respond with trust and confidence, we pray to the Lord.
3. For those discerning priesthood or the religious life, and for all those in formation; that they might persevere in their vocation, we pray to the Lord

4. For all Catholics struggling to discern their vocation, that the Holy Spirit give them wisdom and peace, we pray to the Lord.
5. For a strengthening of all vocations; that we may all strive to follow God's call to holiness, we pray to the Lord.
6. For those who struggle in their vowed commitment; that the mystery of God's deep love will strengthen them in their time of difficulty, we pray to the Lord.
7. For parents and teachers; that they may have the courage and faith to nurture vocations among our young people, we pray to the Lord.
8. For men and women in formation; that they may know the support and love of our community as they continue to discern God's will for their lives, we pray to the Lord.
9. For all priests, brothers, and sisters; that their example may encourage our young people to consider a church vocation, we pray to the Lord.
10. For those who will be (were) ordained to the priesthood this year; that God's grace and blessings be generously poured out upon them, we pray to the Lord.
11. For those who will profess (have professed) lifetime vows as a religious brother or sister this year; that God's grace and blessings be generously poured out upon them, we pray to the Lord.
12. For those who will profess (have professed) lifetime vows in a religious community this year; that God's grace and blessings be generously poured out upon them, we pray to the Lord
13. For those who will be (were) married this year; that God's grace and blessings be generously poured into their lives, we pray to the Lord.
14. For all those in formation as a priest, brother or sister; that they might persevere in their formation and become a blessing to their families and the Church, we pray to the Lord.
15. For the children of our parish; that they may discover and become the man or woman that God made them to be, we pray to the Lord.
16. For young people; that they may know the personal love of the Lord for them, and respond with open and generous hearts, we pray to the Lord.
17. For young men and women; that God may give them the gift of understanding to discern their vocation, and for the gift of courage to follow His call, we pray to the Lord.
18. For our parishioners; that we might have the courage to become the voice of God encouraging a neighbor to a life of service as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.

19. For our parish; that we might continue to actively invite men and women in our midst to consider life as a priest, brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.
20. For the young men of our parish, that the Lord will stir in their hearts an openness to service as a priest, or religious brother, we pray to the Lord.
21. For the young women of our parish, that the Lord will stir in their hearts an openness to life as a religious sister, we pray to the Lord.

## **OTHER**

1. In thanksgiving for the priests, brothers and sisters who inspire and strengthen us by the witness of their commitment, we pray to the Lord.
2. In thanksgiving for the priests and religious who have served us through the years, we pray to the Lord.
3. In thanksgiving for all those who work to promote vocations, we pray to the Lord
4. In thanksgiving for our newly ordained priests, may the Lord bless their service to the Church with joy, we pray to the Lord.
5. In thanksgiving for our newly ordained priests and newly consecrated religious, may the Lord bless their service to the Church with joy, we pray to the Lord.
6. In gratitude for Mary, that young people will look to her as a model of saying “yes” to God’s plan for their lives, we pray to the Lord.
7. For. Fr. {Name} who was ordained to the priesthood this weekend, we pray to the Lord.
8. For. Br. {Name} who professed (temporary/final) vows as a {name of community} this weekend, we pray to the Lord.
9. For. Sr. {Name} who professed (temporary/final) vows as a {name of community} this weekend, we pray to the Lord.
10. For {Name} who leaves this week to begin formation with {name of the community}, we pray to the Lord.