

# Prayers for Vocations

Prayer

Loving and Generous God,  
it is You who call us by name  
and ask us to follow You.  
Help us to grow in the Love  
and Service of our Church  
as we experience it today.

Give us the energy and courage  
of Your Spirit  
to shape its future

Grant us faith-filled leaders  
who will embrace Christ's Mission  
of love and justice.

Bless the Church of \_\_\_\_\_  
by raising up dedicated and generous leaders  
from our families and friends  
who will serve Your people as Sisters,  
Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better  
and open our hearts  
to hear Your call.

We ask this through our Lord.

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LORD, JESUS,  
we ask you  
to send more servants to your people.  
Choose from our parishes,  
from our homes,  
from our schools and colleges,  
an abundant harvest  
of apostles for your Kingdom: priests,  
sisters, brothers, deacons and lay ministers.  
We pray that those you call  
may never lose awareness of the  
dignity and need of their vocation.

O Virgin Mary,  
Mother of the Church,  
teach to all those the Master calls  
to say a joyful "yes"  
as you did at the Annunciation  
Amen.

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Creator God,  
Life is your gift to me,  
Through Baptism you invite me to share  
the gift of my life in service to others.  
Be with me as I choose each day to show  
Your presence in our world.  
Give me the courage and generosity to  
respond to Your love, to Your call.  
I pray especially for those who serve you as  
Priests, Brothers, Sisters, Deacons and Lay Ministers.  
Open the minds and hearts of many other  
men and women that they may accept  
Your challenge to build the Kingdom.  
Loving God, you have made me in Your image and  
likeness,  
and for this I shall praise You forever.  
Through baptism You invite me to serve as Your son  
Jesus served.  
I offer You this day all that I have and all that I am  
in union with His saving cross.

Father, in the power of the Spirit,  
You send us forth to build up Your kingdom.  
I pray especially for those whom You are calling  
to serve the church as priests, deacons, sisters and  
brothers.  
Help them to hear and answer Your call to discipleship.

The harvest is plenty, but laborers are few.  
Please provide for us men and women  
who will help to gather in a great harvest of souls.  
I make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER

*Almighty Father, grant holiness, fervor, courage,  
wisdom, and charity to the men you called to  
serve you as priests and to the seminarians who  
are preparing for the priesthood. Send to your  
Church many more men who love you and long  
to save souls.*