



A MOMENT TO REFLECT.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, St. Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God forever and ever.

Amen.

Go Make a Difference

Christian Family Life Focus Project

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In the light of all the issues surrounding the church (abuse, indigenous issues, etc.) and recognizing that our priests, religious and deaconate must deal with personal stress related to same, I would like the focus for Christian Family Life Standing Committee to be directed towards **"Vocations"**

Action Plan:

1. Offer a Mass for the intentions of your pastor.
2. Offer a Mass for the intention for young persons to discern a vocation to the priesthood or persons in religious life.
3. Offer a Mass for the intentions of any/all persons in religious life.
3. Invite priests and religious to speak at your meetings on vocations.
4. Send a "thinking of you card" or a "thank you" to your pastor and/or persons in religious life.
5. Remember to congratulate them on their anniversaries. Some ideas include: send a card of congratulations, gift a bottle of wine, offer a Mass, have a "come and go", offer a spiritual bouquet.
6. Remember them on special occasions with a card/present: Christmas, Easter, etc.
7. Offer an invitation to your home for a meal or a visit.
8. Discuss vocations with your children, grandchildren and friends.
9. Donate to the Bishop F. Pappin Bursary Fund – Donations sent to provincial treasurer with the cheque made payable to the Ontario Provincial Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Note Bishop Bernard F. Pappin Bursary in the memo line.
10. Share information about the Bishop Pappin Bursary Fund with your parish council.
11. Share information about the Bishop Pappin Bursary Fund with any seminarians you may know.
12. Adopt a seminarian or novitiate. Send him/her a card or note of encouragement during their studies. Send a Christmas card, invite them for a meal. Invite them to come to a meeting and speak about their journey.
13. Pray often for a specific priest or religious or any/all priests and persons in the religious life.
14. Pray for vocations.

This plan's actions are aimed at religious life and the priesthood but please remember that a vocation is a call not only the priesthood or religious life. Single life and married life are also vocations. Your specific calling is unique to you. God has plans for all and He calls us to freely and generously respond to his call.