

LITANY OF DIVINE PRAISES:

- Blessed be God.
- Blessed be His Holy Name.
- Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.
- Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
- Blessed be His most Sacred Heart.
- Blessed be His most Precious Blood.
- Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
- Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.
- Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.
- Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.
- Blessed be her glorious Assumption.
- Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
- Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste Spouse.
- Blessed be God in His angels and in His saints.

May the Heart of Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection at every moment in all the tabernacles of the world, now and until the end of time. Amen

REPOSITION

As the celebrant is leaving the following or another suitable hymn may be sung.

Holy God, we praise thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee;
All on earth they scepter claim;
All in heaven above adore thee.
Infinite they vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign!

Hark, the loud celestial hymn;
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and Seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

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HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF DALLAS

“The harvest is abundant but laborers are few; so ask the Master of the Harvest to send out Laborers for the Harvest.” Lk. 10:2

This booklet may be used for individual use or in conjunction with a parish prayer service such as Exposition, First Fridays, or special times of prayer for Vocations before the Blessed Sacrament

OPENING HYMN

All kneel as the celebrant incenses the Blessed Sacrament

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS (BY POPE JOHN PAUL II):

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, bless all our parishes with numerous priests, deacons, men and women in religious life, consecrated laity and missionaries, according to the needs of the entire world,

which you love and wish to save. Assist our pastors and all who live a consecrated life. Guide the steps of those who have responded generously to your call and are preparing to receive Holy Orders or to profess vows. Look with love on young people and call them to follow you. Help them to understand that in you alone can they attain complete fulfillment. To this end we call on the powerful intercession of Mary, mother and model of all vocations. We beseech you to sustain our faith that the Father will grant what you command us to ask. Amen.

READINGS & REFLECTION

SILENT REFLECTION & PRAYER

This holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations is a time for us to come together in front of Jesus truly present in the Eucharist to ask him to bless His Church with many holy vocations. We join together in prayer at this time with our diocesan patron, St. Cecilia, asking her to intercede for us. We pray in a special way for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and that those the Lord is calling will have the courage to respond especially among our families and friends.

ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS:

*If you wish to pray the rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we recommend using the **Luminous Mysteries** and to reflect on them as "**Mysteries of Vocation**," imploring the Immaculate Heart of Mary for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated religious life within the Church.*

(1) As St. John the Baptist ***Baptizes the Lord***, the presence of the Father who is well pleased, and the power of the Holy Spirit who compels Jesus into His mission, all hold veins of truth for meditating on vocation. This mystery reinforces the essential significance of the mission of every Christian as his most personal of all gifts. Hearts closed to the call of the Lord will not know their mission, nor will they reach their fulfillment as persons made in God's image. Vocation, mission and personhood are inseparably linked in the image of Christ sent by the Father.

BENEDICTION HYMN:

Tantum ergo Sacramentum	Genitori, Genitoque
Veneremur cernui:	Laus et jubilatio,
Et antiquum documentum	Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Novo cedat ritui:	Sit et benedictio:
Praestet fides supplementum	Procedenti ab utroque
Sensuum defectui.	Compar sit laudatio.
	Amen.

INVITATION:

Leader: You have given them Bread from heaven.

All: Having all sweetness within it.

Leader: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of Your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of Your body and blood help us to experience the salvation You won for us and the peace of the kingdom where You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

That young people might seek to live the truth of Christ, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That young people might seek God's will for them in their lives, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That young people might hear the call to give their lives for the mission of the Church, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That all priests and religious might be renewed in the spirit of the new evangelization, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That Bishops might be strengthened to be courageous shepherds, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That we may always zealously pray for and promote vocations, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

That those who are being called to be priests and religious might respond generously, *O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world *spare us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world *graciously hear us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world *have mercy on us.*

The harvest is great but the laborers are few. *We beg the harvest Master to send out laborers for His harvest.*

Let us pray:

O God, Who chose the Apostles to make disciples of all nations and Who by Baptism and Confirmation has called us to build up Your Holy Church, we implore You to choose among us, Your children, many priests and religious who will love You with their whole heart and will gladly spend their entire lives making You known and loved by all. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(2) The **Mystery of the Wedding Feast at Cana** draws our attention to the need for obedience to the voice of God. Once His call is heard action is required. Our Blessed Mother clearly says to "Do whatever He tells you."

(3) Faithful obedience to the Lord's call establishes the Christian firmly in union with Jesus in the **Proclamation of the Kingdom**. This mystery can be prayed with the desire for the knowledge of the charism through which the person is to fall in love with Christ and for the apostolate in which one is to serve.

(4) The **Mystery of the Transfiguration** increases our confidence in the reality of Christ Who is calling many to a vocation of priesthood or the consecrated religious life. He is divine, He is glorified, He is triumphant and trust runs deeply through the soul of anyone who may hesitate in fear at the knowledge of their vocation. Jesus comes and touches Peter, James and John after the glorious vision and says, "Do not be afraid". It is Jesus Who calls. He strengthens that call. He challenges us in the call. He sustains us with love through the call.

(5) Jesus promises to be with us always and remains divinely present in the soul of every baptized person. He calls us as persons, body and soul, to be given as gift to another. That is love, to be totally given to another. In the **Mystery of the Eucharist**, Jesus is both Giver and Gift. He is for us a boundless well from which to drink in the truth of His Presence in the Blessed Sacrament. He gives the example of humble service and selfless gift. Through the Eucharist He quickens and perfects our own attraction to love others as He loves us.



INTERCESSORY PRAYERS:

Lord Jesus Christ, model of all perfection, You not only unceasingly urge souls to strive toward this lofty goal, but also move them by the power of Your grace to follow You in this exalted path. Grant that many may hear and willingly obey Your loving inspiration and embrace their vocation to priesthood or consecrated religious life.

- ❖ Grant that there may never be lacking devoted men to take Your place at the altar proclaiming Your Gospel and offering Your Body and Blood for the salvation of the world. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**
- ❖ Grant that there may never be lacking devoted servants of Your own charity to take Your place day and night at the side of the orphan, at the bed of the sick, near the old and infirmed. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**
- ❖ Grant that in classrooms and universities the voice of those who teach may be the echo of Your own, pointing out the way to heaven and the duties incumbent on each and all. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**
- ❖ Grant that no land, however distant or inhospitable, may be deprived of the Gospel message that invites all people to enter Your kingdom. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**
- ❖ Grant that in every part of the world those called to a life of contemplation and penance may offer reparation for the sins of humanity and draw down Your infinite mercy and forgiveness. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**
- ❖ Grant that the constant offering of these hearts, in the spotless purity of their lives and the heroism of their virtue, may make ever present on earth that perfect model of life which You came to reveal to us. We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

O Lord, enlighten many generous hearts with the ardent rays of Your Holy Spirit and by the powerful intercession of Your most loving mother, Mary, enkindle and sustain the fervor of Your love in these hearts so they may offer themselves in service to You as a priest, deacon or consecrated religious. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

LITANY FOR VOCATIONS

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Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*
 Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*
 Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*
 Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously hear us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *have mercy on us.*
 God the Holy Spirit, *have mercy on us.*
 Holy Trinity, One God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*
 Holy Mother of God *pray for us.*
 Holy Virgin of Virgins *pray for us.*
 St. Michael, leader of the heavenly host, *pray for us.*
 St. Gabriel, messenger of God's divine plan *pray for us.*
 St. Raphael, companion of the journey *pray for us.*
 All you holy Angels and Archangels *pray for us.*
 St. Joseph, protector of the Holy Church *pray for us.*
 St. John Vianney, patron of parish priests *pray for us.*
 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, patron of youth *pray for us.*
 St. Alphonsus Liguori, patron of vocations *pray for us.*
 St. Charles Borromeo, patron of seminarians *pray for us.*
 St. John Berchmans, patron of altar servers *pray for us.*
 St. Maria Goretti, patron of teenagers *pray for us.*
 All you holy men and women *pray for us.*

Be merciful, *spare us, O Lord.*
 Be merciful, *graciously hear us, O Lord.*

Through your mercy, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through Your kindness, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through the fervent prayers and sacrifices of Your people, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through the power of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through the intercession of all the Saints and Angels *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through the sanctification of the family, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through parents being generously open to life, *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through the example of priests and religious striving for holiness *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*
 Through a renewed sense of fidelity to our Catholic Faith *send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.*