



VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Our primary vocation comes from our baptism: to be a disciple (follower) of the Lord Jesus. From that first call, God invites us to live that out through the specific vocations to the married life, the single life, the consecrated religious life, and the ordained life.

In a particular way, we as Church look for the following gifts in young men and women as signs of a possible call from God to the religious life or priesthood. If you know someone in your parish or family who has some of these gifts, please **PRAY** for them and **INVITE** them to consider God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life.

God may be calling someone who:

- has a strong personal faith;
- loves people;
- has good physical and emotional health;
- has an enthusiasm for learning and studying;
- can sustain positive relationships with men and women and can live a celibate lifestyle;
- is active in the parish;
- has the gifts to serve the Church in leadership.

A Family Vocations Activity

Tell the story of the Baptism of Jesus (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 or from another gospel). Discuss:

- How did the baptism of Jesus show that he was chosen by God?
- What do people remember about the baptism of family members?
- How do we know that we are loved by God?
- What are some of the ways that God calls us to serve him? How do we do that now? What are some of the ways in which we could do that as a parent, a teacher, a farmer, a religious sister, a priest?

For more information on priesthood and religious life, visit www.gbvocations.org or call Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or email vocations@gbdioc.org

Within the vocation to the married life and the single life, some people are called to serve in Church ministry. Some are called to lay ministry, others are called through the ordained life to the diaconate.

For more information on Lay Ministry Formation, contact Tony Pichler at 920-272-8268 or tpichler@gbdioc.org
For more information on the Diaconate, contact Deacon Paul Grimm at 920-272-8290 or pgrimm@gbdioc.org

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