

The Vocation Connection
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Diocese of
Green Bay

THE VOCATION CONNECTION

+ PRAY + INVITE + SUPPORT +

Upcoming Dates

April 3
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group

April 16
Parish Vocation Contact
Persons Meeting

April 18
Diocesan Catholic Youth
Conference (DCYC)
and
Catholic Youth Expeditions
Benefit Dinner & Concert

May 1
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group

May 3
World Day of Prayer
for Vocations

May 14
Commissioning of Parish
Leaders

May 16
Deacon Ordination

May 22-24
CYE Ordination Expedition

May 29-31
Catholic Women's Retreat in
Manitowoc

June 6
Priesthood Ordination

June 12
Steppin' Right with Jesus
Vocations Day for Middle
School Girls & Boys

June 16-18
Camp Franciscan for Girls

August 8-30
Seminarian Collection

August 22
Altar Servers Day of Girls

August 23
Altar Servers Day for Boys

Do You Believe in the Power of Prayer?

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is Sunday, May 3

Pray!

The urgent call of the Lord stresses that prayer for vocations
should be continuous and trusting.

The Christian community can only really have
ever greater faith and hope in God's providence
if it is enlivened by prayer.

- Pope Benedict XVI

Message of the Holy Father for the 46th World Day of Prayer for Vocations



In our Diocese:

Adoration for Vocations:

People are always praying for vocations at one of our five perpetual adoration chapels. Each week, one of the five chapels, on a rotating basis, asks adorers to pray for this intention. Go to www.gbvocations.org and click on "Adoration for Vocations" to find the current schedule.

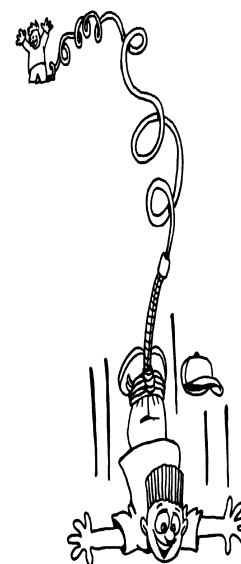
All Night Eucharistic Adoration Vigil for Vocations

begins Saturday evening, May 2 after the 4:15 PM Mass
and continue through the night until the 8:00 A.M. Mass on Sunday, May 3
at St. Agnes Parish, 1484 Ninth St. in Green Bay
Sponsored by St. Agnes Parish the West-side Green Bay Serra Club

A shortage of Priests & Sisters?

Myths and Misunderstandings in Discerning Vocation

Presented by Dr. Kristina M. DeNeve



Thursday, April 16, 2009 - 7 PM

Diocese of Green Bay—Bosco Hall

1825 Riverside Drive, Green Bay

Please invite:

Director of Religious Education, Catholic School Principal,
Catechists & Teachers, Parents & Grandparents, Youth
Ministers, Young Adults, those responsible for vocations
promotion in your parish,
and come yourself!

A bulletin announcement is on the reverse side, and a flyer
is included in this mailing for distribution.

Bulletin Material to Promote Vocations

Please put some of the following articles in your parish bulletin when room allows.

A Shortage of Priests & Sisters? Myths and Misunderstandings in Discerning a Vocation. This presentation by Dr. Kristina M. DeNeve is open to parents & grandparents, catechists and teachers, young adults, and all interested in vocations. Please come Thursday, April 16 at 7:00 PM at the Diocese of Green Bay, Bosco Hall, 1825 Riverside Drive. So that enough materials are available, please RSVP to vocations@gbdioc.org or call Debbie Rusch at 920-272-8316, or 1-877-500-3580, ext. 8316.

Middle School Vocations Day: Steppin' Right with Jesus, the annual vocations day for middle school girls and boys, will be held at Stella Maris Parish and St. Joseph Formation Center in Door County. Mark your calendar for Friday, June 12. Bishop Ricken will preside at the closing Mass. Registration materials are at www.gbvocations.org

Catholic Youth Expeditions Benefit Concert with Catholic Christian recording artist Janelle Reinhart is Saturday, April 18 at 7:30 PM at St. Pius Church, Appleton. Ticket information is at www.cyexpeditions.org

All night Eucharistic Adoration Vigil for Vocations in Green Bay begins Saturday evening, May 2 after the 4:15 PM Mass at St. Agnes Church and concludes with the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 3. To sign up for a prayer time, contact Kathy Baumann at 920-497-8060. Sponsored by Serra Club and St. Agnes Parish, 1484 Ninth Street in Green Bay.

**Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference
& Catholic Youth Expeditions Benefit**

Saturday, April 18 @ St Pius Appleton

PLEASE INVITE NOW!

Steppin' Right with Jesus 2009 Vocations Day for Middle School Girls & Boys

**Friday, June 12
St. Joseph Formation Center
& Stella Maris Parish, Door County**

**Busses from Oshkosh, Appleton, Kaukauna, Green Bay
Registration brochure at
www.gbvocations.org
Priests & Sisters needed to help with the day. Call Fr Tom Long.**

Serra Club 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,
Saint Joseph, Blessed 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.

The Serra Club works to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. There are five local clubs in the Diocese: Green Bay East & West, Fox Valley, Manitowoc, and Oshkosh.



Live Deeply. Live Christ. Live Priesthood. Live Religious Life.

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