

The Vocation Connection
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Diocese of
Green Bay

Upcoming Dates

February 6
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group (with Bishop Ricken)

February 8
World Day for Consecrated
Life

February 12-14
Vianney Visit to College
Seminary

February 20-22
Catholic Women's Retreat in
Manitowoc

March 6
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group

March 26
Project Andrew Dinner

March 27-29
Teens Encounter Christ
(TEC) weekend

April 3
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group

May 1
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group

May 3
World Day of Prayer
for Vocations

May 29-31
Catholic Women's Retreat in
Manitowoc

Please pray for
vocations to the priesthood
and to consecrated life.

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY

+ PRAY + INVITE + SUPPORT +

World Day for Consecrated Life is February 8

Great Day to Recognize Religious in your Parish

How are you planning to recognize the religious sisters, brothers and religious order priests who serve your parish or school?

Some ideas:

- + Send cards to present and past religious who have served your parish
- + Create a history of the connection between a religious community and your parish or school
- + Have a blessing for those currently serving
- + Pray for increase in vocations to religious life



Bishop Ricken to visit Discernment Group at Xavier House

On Friday, February 6, Bishop Ricken will visit the discernment house at St. Francis Xavier Parish in De Pere, and be part of the monthly Catholic Men's Discernment Group. Xavier House is for men, age 20—45, who seek a place to live in community while they pray about God's call in their life.

Days for Altar Servers of Diocese this Summer in Door County

All the altar servers of the diocese will be invited to a day of fun and faith this summer.



Saturday, August 22 — Girls

Sunday, August 23 — Boys



The day will include swimming and other outdoor activities, a talk on the Eucharist, and Mass with Bishop Ricken.

Please mark the dates, and watch for promotional material.



**Project Andrew Dinner
With Bishop Ricken:
Thursday, March 26 at 5:30 PM**

**Invite!!
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Bulletin Material to Promote Vocations

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

Bishop Ricken to Visit Discernment Group Single men who are open to the priesthood are invited to the February 6 Catholic Men's Discernment Group. Bishop Ricken will be with the group that evening for Mass, supper and discussion. The group meets at 6:30 PM at Xavier House in De Pere. Contact Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org if interested.

College Seminary Visit: High school juniors or seniors, and college freshmen and sophomores are invited to take a trip to St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, MN. A group will leave on Thursday, February 12 and return on Saturday, February 14. Contact Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org for more information.

Catholic Single Women's Retreat for those age 18 to 35 will be offered February 20-22 at Holy Family Convent in Manitowoc. Check out the website of the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity for more info at www.fscs-calledtobe.org

Project Andrew Dinner: Bishop David Ricken invites young men, juniors in high school or older, who are open to the possibility of the priesthood, to dinner on Thursday, March 26 at 5:30 PM. Bishop will celebrate Mass, and after supper we will talk about being a priest. Contact your parish priest or parish director, or Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) Weekend: Juniors and seniors in high school, and those older who are in college or working are invited to participate in the TEC weekend experience of Christian living March 27-29 in Green Bay. Check out the website for more information and a registration form at www.anchorofhopetec.org



Congratulations
Father Jason Blahnik

Ordained January 3, 2009
Diocese of Green Bay



**Mark your calendar
for 2009
Vocations Dates:**

February 8 / World Day for Consecrated Life
March 26 / Project Andrew Dinner
May 3 / World Day of Prayer for Vocations
May 14 / Commissioning of Parish Leaders
May 16 / Deacon Ordination
June 6 / Priesthood Ordination
June 12 / Steppin' Right with Jesus
Middle School Vocations Day
August 8-30 / Seminarian Collection
August 22-23 / Altar Servers Days

Live Deeply. Live Christ. Live Priesthood.

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