

The Vocation Connection
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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY

+ PRAY + INVITE + SUPPORT +

Upcoming Dates

March 2—6:30 PM
Men's Discernment Group

March 2—5
Single Women's Lenten
Retreat (Manitowoc)

March 9—11
Women's Come & See
Weekend (Green Bay)

March 11
Middle & High School Girls
See How the Sisters Live
Day

March 30—April 1
Teens Encounter Christ

April 6—6:30 PM
Men's Discernment Group

April 14
High School Dive-In

April 17—5:30 PM
Project Andrew Dinner

April 20-22
Visit Weekend at Mundelein
Seminary

Xavier House Opens

Bishop David Zubik blessed a new Catholic Men's Discernment House on February 8. Xavier House will be for men who are open to the possibility of priesthood. It will give them a chance to live with other young men who are also trying to discover God's call in their lives, as well as with Vocation Director Fr. Tom Long.



Xavier House is located in the rectory of St. Francis Xavier Parish in De Pere. It will be the site of the monthly discernment group and other events, as well as a place for seminarians to stay.

XAVIER † HOUSE
CATHOLIC MEN'S DISCERNMENT

We are grateful to SS. Peter & Paul Parish in Green Bay, where the discernment house began over a year ago, as well as to St. Francis Xavier Parish in De Pere for making this possible.

Project Andrew: Please INVITE, INVITE, INVITE!

Tuesday, April 17—5:30 PM
Thursday, August 23—5:30 PM
Wednesday, December 19—5:30 PM



Priests and Parish Directors are asked to invite young men, high school juniors or older, who are open to the possibility of priesthood. The Priests and Parish Directors are then encouraged to come with the young men they invite.

RSVP to Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org



June 13, 2007

For Middle School Students
A day of fun & faith
Meet sisters, brothers, priests

Registration brochures were part of e-newsletters to DREs, principals, and youth ministers, and were mailed to priests and parish directors.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: Sunday, April 29

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Bulletin Material & Intercessions to Promote Vocations

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

For March 4 bulletin:

So Just How DO the Sisters Live? Girls in grades 6—12 are invited to spend Sunday, March 11 touring our diocese to visit some of the religious communities of women who live and serve here. The group will begin (9 AM) and end (7 PM) at St. Thomas More in Appleton. For info, contact Carolyn at 920-738-8172 or carolyn@stmccath.org

Franciscan Men's Live-In Weekend Men age 18-39 who are discerning religious life are invited to meet bona fide Franciscans in prayer and fellowship the weekend of March 9—11 in Chicago. Contact Fr. Joachim Studwell, OFM, at vocationdirector@hotmail.com or call 877-636-3742.

Women's Come & See Weekend in Green Bay Single women, ages 15 and up, who are at least curious about religious life are invited to this March 9—11 weekend at Villa St. Clare at Annunciation Parish in Green Bay. The weekend is sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis. For a brochure or more information, contact Sister Debra Weina at vocation@ssj-tosf.org or 715-341-8457.

For bulletins in March and early April:

The Bishop invites young men to dinner! Bishop Zubik would like to provide dinner for young men, juniors in high school or older, who are open to the possibility of priesthood. Please contact (insert name of parish priest or parish director) if you might be interested, or Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org

For any bulletin:

Catholic Men's Discernment Group is a group of men who come together to pray and discuss the call of God in their lives, especially as it might relate to priesthood. The group meets on the First Friday evening of the month, at 6:30 PM at Xavier House, 220 S. Michigan Street in De Pere. Contact Vocation Director Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org for more information.

Xavier House is a residence for single adult men who are open to the possibility that God may be calling them to the priesthood. Located in De Pere, it is a community of young men who live and pray with one another as they listen to God's call. Men may have full-time employment, be college students, or do volunteer service during their time at Xavier House. For more information, contact Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL ~ Lent

That our Lenten journey may make us more open to responding to God's call in our lives, we pray to the Lord.

That those preparing to enter the Church in the Easter Sacraments may be strengthened by the generosity of life found in our parish, we pray to the Lord.

That college students on spring break might use their time of relaxation and service to hear God's call to the vocations of married life, single life, religious life, and the ordained life, we pray to the Lord.

For an increase of happy vocations to the married life, the single life, the consecrated life, and the ordained life, we pray to the Lord.

Live Deeply. Live Christ. Live Priesthood.

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