

The Vocation Connection
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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY

+ PRAY + INVITE + SUPPORT +

Upcoming Dates

March 7 - 6:30 PM
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group @ Xavier House

March 28-30
Teens Encounter Christ

March 30 - DCYC
High School Conference

April 4 - 6:30 PM
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group @ Xavier House

April 12
Catholic Youth Expeditions
Fundraiser @ The Place 2B

April 12-13
Eucharistic Adoration Vigil
for Vocations

April 13
World Day of Prayer for
Vocations

April 19
Serra Clubs'
Spring Leadership Day

April 24 - 5:30 PM
Project Andrew Dinner

May 2 - 6:30 PM
Catholic Men's Discernment
Group @ Xavier House

May 4
Sisters' Jubilee Celebration

May 15
Commissioning of Parish
Leaders

May 17 - 10:00 AM
Deacon Ordination

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

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is April 13

Encourage Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations



Vocations come out of our relationship with Christ. Vocation directors are noticing that young adults who are discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life often speak of the importance of prayer in their life, especially in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. The five perpetual adoration chapels in our diocese (Holy Family, Marinette, Good Shepherd, Chilton, St. Margaret Mary, Neenah, St. Pius, Appleton and SS Peter & Paul, Green Bay) are opportunities to assist young adults in their prayer and discernment.

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations is Sunday, April 13. This always falls on the fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday.

The Serra Club (Green Bay West Side) and St. Agnes Parish are hosting an all night **Vigil of Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations** to mark World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This Vigil will begin on Saturday, April 12 after the 4:15 PM Mass at St. Agnes Church in Green Bay, and continue in the church through the night until the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, April 13. St. Agnes Parish is located at 1484 Ninth Street.



Please see page 2 of this newsletter for a bulletin announcement regarding the Eucharistic Adoration Vigil for Vocations.

If you wish a bulletin insert for this Vigil, please contact the vocations office, or you may print it from the vocations website at www.gbvocations.org

Please plan to mark this day of prayer in your own parish. A sample intercession for Sunday masses are on page 2. You may wish to plan your own time of prayer, or to encourage parishioners to spend time in prayer with their family.

A **bulletin insert** for April 13 is included with this mailing. It contains some vocations prayers that families and others may wish to use.

Please mark

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

in your parish

Sunday, April 13

Bulletin Material to Promote Vocations

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

Catholic Men's Discernment Group is for men, age 18-39, who are interested in sharing Mass, a meal, discussion and prayer with other men who are open to the possibility that God might call them to the priesthood. Our next discernment group is Friday, April 4 (and each First Friday of the month) at 6:30 PM at Xavier House in De Pere. Contact Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org for more info and directions.

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) weekend is a 3 day experience in Christian living. Through prayer, talks, and Christian fellowship, we live the death and resurrection of Jesus. TEC is for juniors in high school and older. For an application form for the March 28—30 weekend in Green Bay, or more info, go to the Anchor of Hope TEC website at www.anchorofhopetec.org

Eucharistic Adoration Vigil for Vocations is being held to kick-off the World Day of Prayer for Vocations on April 13. The West Side Serra Club and St. Agnes Parish of Green Bay are hosting this night of prayer. Adoration will begin after the 4:15 PM Mass on Saturday, April 12, and continue through the night until the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, April 13. All are invited to come join in praying for vocations. For further information, or to sign up for a specific hour of adoration, please contact Kathy Baumann at 920-497-8060.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is Sunday, April 13. Each year, we pray with Christ the Good Shepherd on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. It is this Sunday that we ask the Good Shepherd to continue to call young men and women in serving the flock of Christ's Church. May our young people respond with generosity of heart, so that we may continue to have sisters, brothers and priests to serve our Church.

Steppin' Right with Jesus 2008 is for middle school girls and boys to enjoy a great day with Catholic young adults and Vocation Directors. Steppin' Right will be on Thursday, June 12 from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM at Holy Family Church in Brillion. Registration forms are available at www.gbvocations.org

Project Andrew Dinner: Young men, high school juniors and older, are invited to a dinner with Bishop Banks and other priests on Thursday, April 24 at 5:30 PM at Xavier House in De Pere. Contact your priest or parish director, or contact Fr. Tom Long, Vocation Director, at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org

Intercession for April 13 Masses (World Day of Prayer for Vocations):

For young women and men who are being called by Christ the Good Shepherd to service in the Church as a sister, brother or priest, we pray to the Lord.



Next Project Andrew Dinner: Thursday, April 24

+ for young men, high school juniors or older, who are open to the possibility of the priesthood

+ begins at 5:30 PM at Xavier House in De Pere. Invite! Invite! Invite! — and come with the men!



Please invite high school juniors & seniors and college students to:

**Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)
March 28 - 30, 2008**
in Green Bay

For info & registration form,
www.anchorofhopetec.org

Live Deeply. Live Christ. Live Priesthood.

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