

The Vocation Connection  
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# THE VOCATION CONNECTION

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY

+ PRAY + INVITE + SUPPORT +

## Upcoming Dates

October 5—6:30 PM  
Catholic Men's Discernment  
Group @ Xavier House

October 5—7  
Exploring Priesthood Week-  
end at Mundelein Seminary

October 19—21  
Serra Club Convention

October 26—28  
Young Adult Single  
Women's Retreat

October 28  
Priesthood Sunday

October 28  
Middle School Youth Jam

November 2—5:30 PM  
Catholic Men's Discernment  
Group @ Xavier House

November 9—11  
NCYC

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Youth 2000

November 15—17  
Vianney Visit to College  
Seminary

December 7  
Catholic Men's Discernment  
Group @ Xavier House

December 19—5:30 PM  
Project Andrew Dinner

January 18-20  
Catholic Men's Retreat



## Vianney Visit: Road Trip to Minnesota!

Invite High School Junior & Senior Guys to Visit College Seminary

A visit to St. John Vianney College Seminary is a great way to give older high school guys a sense of seminary life. Fr. Tom Long will bring a group for "Vianney Visit" on November 15—17.

St. John Vianney Seminary is on the campus of the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. We currently have four men studying there: Drew Mulloy, Ryan Starks, Ed Looney, and Vincent Wagner.



Fr. Tom and guys from last fall's Vianney Visit



Please publish the bulletin announcement (on other side), and, more importantly, invite young men you think might be interested.

## Xavier House Becomes Center of Vocations Activity

Five men in their 20s and 30s have joined Fr. Tom Long at the Xavier House for Catholic Men's Discernment in De Pere. One is a seminarian who is studying ESL at St. Norbert College; the others are men who are discerning their call. Two are college students (St. Norbert and UWGB), and two are employed.

Xavier House is also the site of the monthly men's discernment group, a "home away from home" for seminarians, and was the site of the September 18 Project Andrew Dinner with Bishop Banks.



Bishop Banks is joined by Fr. Matt Settle and some of the young men who came for the Sept. 18 Project Andrew Dinner at Xavier House.

**XAVIER † HOUSE**  
CATHOLIC MEN'S DISCERNMENT

## Bulletin Material to Promote Vocations

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

For October bulletins:

**Visit the College Seminary:** Young men who are high school juniors or older are invited to “Vianney Visit” at St. John Vianney College Seminary, on the campus of the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN on November 15—17. A group will go together from the Green Bay diocese. If interested, contact Fr. Tom Long at 920-272-8293 or vocations@gbdioc.org

**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, November 2 (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.

**Young Adult Single Women** are invited to join other young women of faith for a weekend of prayer, faith, support, community and more with the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, Holy Family Convent, 2409 S. Alverno Road, Manitowoc. The next weekend is October 26—28. Contact Sr. Mary Ann Spanjers at <http://www.fscs-calledtobe.org>

### Project Andrew Dinner: Wednesday, December 19

\* 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!

### Vocations Resources Available:



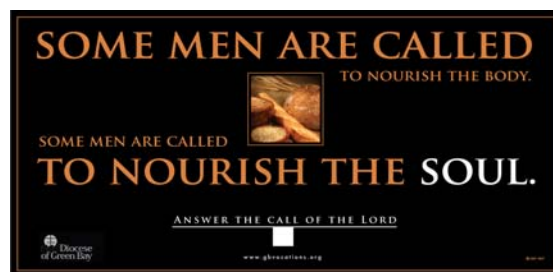
**2007-08 Seminarian Prayer Cards**—great to distribute to students, the homebound, parents, prayer-chain members, and people at Mass.

**2007-08 Seminarian Booklet**—with a page for each seminarian with a photo and info to help people get to know them.

**Posters for vocations** for your church entrances and classroom spaces.

Posters advertising:

**Catholic Men’s Discernment Group**  
**Project Andrew Dinners**  
**Xavier House** for Catholic Men’s Discernment  
**Vianney Visit** to college seminary



**Brochures** with vocations contact information for many of the religious orders serving our diocese.

**Intercessions** for Vocations

**Teacher Folders** for promoting vocations in the classroom

**Fishers of Men** DVD on priesthood

Call or email us at [vocations@gbdioc.org](mailto:vocations@gbdioc.org) with the quantities you would like. Don’t be afraid to ask for plenty.

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