

Vocation Bulletin Blurbs

First Sunday of Advent 2019 to Feast of Christ the King 2020

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First Sunday of Advent – December 1, 2019

“They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks....” If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Second Sunday of Advent -- December 8, 2019

Are you called to be “A herald’s voice in the desert” preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Third Sunday of Advent -- December 15, 2019

“I send my messenger ahead of you to prepare your way before you.” Are you called to be sent by Jesus as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fourth Sunday of Advent -- December 22, 2019

“When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord directed him.” Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Christmas -- December 25, 2019

“He gave power to become children of God.” If you think you may be called to share the Father’s love as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Feast of the Holy Family -- December 29, 2019

By Baptism, Catholic families are holy families and are the seed beds for the vocations of their children. Pray generously as a family for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from among your children. Should God be calling one among you, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God -- January 1, 2020

“God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts.” If the Spirit of Jesus is prompting you to love and serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

The Epiphany -- January 5, 2020

“God chose us before the world began to be holy.” God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

The Baptism of the Lord -- January 12, 2020

Celebrate our common vocation of Baptism. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their baptismal commitment as religious brothers, sisters, priests or as deacons. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 19, 2020

“To you who have been consecrated in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people.” Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to consider priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- January 26, 2020

“Reform your lives! The kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Presentation of the Lord -- February 2, 2020 - World Day for Consecrated Life

“She gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all...” We are all called to bear witness to Christ in our lives. Could you be called to do so as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 9, 2020 World Marriage Day

“Let your light shine before others” Shine your light on those closest to you, especially your spouse and family!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 16, 2020

“It is loyalty to do His will.” Are you considering following the will of God in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- February 23, 2020

Thus, should one regard us, as servants of Christ.” Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at ((727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

First Sunday of Lent -- March 1, 2020

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Second Sunday of Lent -- March 8, 2020

“God has called us with a holy calling...according to His own purpose and grace.” If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Third Sunday of Lent -- March 15, 2020

“But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty.” Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fourth Sunday of Lent -- March 22, 2020

“The Lord looks on the heart.” Are you being called to do the deeds of Christ as a priest or in the consecrated life, proclaiming the reign of the loving mercy of God our Father? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fifth Sunday of Lent -- March 29, 2020

“Did I not assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” Do you believe Christ may be calling you to see the glory of the Blessed Trinity through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion -- April 5, 2020

“Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord!” Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think this may be so, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Easter Sunday -- April 12, 2020

“The Lord is risen, it is true!” Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. If you think God may be inviting you to such a vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Second Sunday of Easter – April 19, 2020

“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” Is God inviting you to live the gift and mystery of being sent as priest, sister or brother to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Third Sunday of Easter -- April 26, 2020

Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? Perhaps you are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. If you are considering this possibility, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fourth Sunday of Easter -- May 3, 2020 – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fifth Sunday of Easter -- May 10, 2020

“Who has faith in Me will do the works I do, and far greater than these.” Are you being called to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you are considering this possibility, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Sixth Sunday of Easter -- May 17, 2020

“Those who love Me will keep my word.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Seventh Sunday of Easter -- May 24, 2020 - Ascension of the Lord

“They received the Holy Spirit.” The Blessed Virgin Mary intercedes for your faithfulness to the vocation to which the Spirit is leading you. If you think God may be offering you the grace of serving Him and His people

as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Pentecost Sunday – May 31, 2020

“There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.” Is the Lord inviting you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

The Most Holy Trinity -- June 7, 2020

“God so loved the world, He gave His only Son.” How can you give yourself to God the Father in a response to that love? Could God be calling you to live His love as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -- June 14, 2020 (June 19th - Sacred Heart of Jesus/World Day of Priests

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His body as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be among them? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time– June 21, 2020

“Be not afraid.” Do not fear how Jesus is calling you to build his Church. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- June 28, 2020

“He that shall lose his life for me, shall find it.” Find your life by answering God’s call in your life. Seek him as you strive for holiness. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 5, 2020

“You are in the spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.” Is the Holy Spirit leading you or someone you know to serve Christ and His Church as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 12, 2020

“Let everyone heed what they hear.” Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 19, 2020

“The Spirit too helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought.” Do you approach the Lord in prayer with the confident strength given by the Holy Spirit asking that He make known your unique vocation? If God may be inviting you to consider the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 26, 2020

"Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and it will be opened to you." Ask in prayer to know your vocation! Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! If you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 2, 2020

“All those present ate their fill.” Are you called to help the Lord feed His people with the truth of His gospel as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be calling you to serve Him more closely, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 9, 2020

“Get hold of yourselves! It is I. Do not be afraid!” Uncertainty can sometimes bring fear along with God’s call to consecrated life or priesthood. If the Lord is truly calling you, what is needed is trust. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 16, 2020

“Woman, you have great faith.” It takes faith to hear God’s call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 23, 2020

“Who has known the mind of the Lord?” Through prayer our minds become better aligned with the mind of Christ and His will for us. If the Spirit is prompting you to know Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 30, 2020

“What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process.” Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 6, 2020

“Where two or three are gathered in My name ...” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 13, 2020

“Whoever believes in the Son of Man will have eternal life.” Are you called to bring faith in Christ and eternal life to others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 20, 2020

“Seek the Lord while He may be found...” While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 27, 2020 Priesthood Sunday

“He humbled Himself and became obedient...” If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 4, 2020

“This is the Lord’s doing and it is amazing in our eyes.” Being chosen to serve as a priest or in the consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 11, 2020

“Many are called, but few are chosen.” Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 18, 2020

“Give to God what is God’s.” You belong to Christ and Christ is God’s! How will you respond to so great a love? Is He asking you to follow Him by serving in the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 25, 2020

“Love God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind.” Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

All Saints’ Day -- November 1, 2020 National Vocations Awareness Week begins

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. Pray for those who are discerning a call to proclaim the hope of the Resurrection as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 8, 2020

“For we are God’s co-workers....” How are you being called to build the kingdom of God as His co-worker? Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 15, 2020 (World Day of Cloistered Life- November 21)

“Well done, good and faithful servant....” How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.

Solemnity of Christ the King -- November 22, 2020

“I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink.” Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at (727) 345-3452 or email spvocation@dosp.org.