

Bulletin Blurbs

Short paragraphs to include in your November 5th Bulletin

2017 National Vocations Awareness Week

Did you know that in our country, compared to 50 years ago, there are 20,000 fewer priests and 130,000 fewer religious sisters? At the same time, the Catholic population has continued to grow steadily. Many factors have contributed to the decline: growing secularism, a lengthed period of adolescence, attitudes about celibacy, etc. During Vocation Awareness week, please pray that young people in today's society will hear and respond to God's call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priesthood and religious life.

One Vocation Leads to Another:

“Let us not forget that Christian marriage is a vocation to holiness in the full sense of the word, and that the example of holy parents is the first condition favorable for the flowering of priestly and religious vocations.”

Pope Benedict XVI

Generous Single Lives in Christ:

The Church recognizes that some people, for various reasons, are not called or cannot live in vocations such as marriage or consecrated life. Nonetheless, the Catechism says “they can contribute greatly to the good of the human family” (#2231). “Some live their situation in the spirit of the Beatitudes, serving God and neighbor in exemplary fashion.” (CCC1658).