

VOCATION PRAYER SHEET

PRAYER TO KNOW ONE'S VOCATION

O my God, Thou Who art the God of Wisdom and Counsel, Who has put in my heart the sincere wish to please none but Thee and to conform to Thy holy will in the choice of my state of life; grant me, through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin, my Mother, and of my holy Patrons, especially Saint Joseph and Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, the grace to know my vocation and to embrace it, so that I may therein labor for Thy glory, work out my salvation, and merit the heavenly reward that Thou hast promised to them who do Thy divine will. Amen. - *Pope St. Pius X*

PRAYER OF ARCHBISHOP LEO BINZ FOR VOCATIONS

Leader: Let us ask God to give worthy Priests, Brothers and Sisters to His Holy Church.

All: O God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless this diocese with many Priests, Brothers and Sisters, who will love Thee with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church and to make Thee known and loved.

Leader: Bless our families. Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work.

Leader: O Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our Priests and Religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

PRAYER OF BISHOP PROVOST FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, the heart of Your Son was moved to pity at the sight of the crowd who appeared like sheep without a shepherd. As a further sign of that divine pity, Your Son taught that we must ask You to send workers for the harvest, because the yield is abundant but the workers are few. With confidence, we make our request.

Please send, we beseech You, brave and holy Priests who meet the challenges of a world that is often hostile to the message of Your Kingdom. Quickly raise up in our midst prayerful and dedicated Priests who can witness to goodness, truth, and beauty through their consistent virtue, authentic teaching, and reverent worship. Kindly fill with Your grace the hearts and minds of many who would courageously answer “yes.” Gently inspire them to accept Your call so that the lonely, the ignorant and the poor may know that Your Love for them exists, that Your Son died for their sins, and that there is hope.

May Mary, the Mother of Your Son, and St. John Vianney, the Patron of Priests, be the holy advocates of our petition. All this we ask through Our Eternal High Priest, Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.