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RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

To: Pastor

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Director of Vocations

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Date: April 21, 2025

Re: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites you to celebrate **World Day of Prayer for Vocations on May 11, 2025**. Please find this digital insert from Vianney Vocations. Please feel free to download and make it available to your parish community.

In addition, you can find resources on our website at www.scd.org/vocations. You can also visit the following websites for more ideas, such as:

- Homily Points that can be used (See attached digital insert from Vianney Vocations)
- USCCB (www.usccb.org)
- NRVC - National Religious Vocation Conference
(<https://nrvc.net/292/publication/11357/article/15674-world-day-of-prayer-for-vocations#:~:text=Prayer%20is%20essential%20in%20all%E2%80%A6>)
- Vocation Network (<http://www.vocationnetwork.org/>)
- Vocation Ministry (<https://www.vocationministry.com/vocation-day/vocation-days/world-day-of-prayer-for-vocations/>)
- Vianney Vocations (<https://worlddayofprayerforvocations.com/>)
- Serra USA Council (<https://serraus.org/vocations-resources/>)

Please find the following suggested bulletin ads for your bulletin:

World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 11, 2025 known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.

Fourth Sunday of Easter -- May 11, 2025- World Day of Prayer for Vocations "Sing joyfully to the LORD ...; serve the LORD with gladness." Are you discerning a vocation as priest, deacon, sister or brothers? Contact Fr. Mauricio Hurtado, Director of Vocations Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations at (916) 733-0258 or by email at considerpriesthood@scd.org. (Serra USA Council website)

Thank you!

cc: Knights of Columbus, Parish Vocation Committees, Religious Education Programs