

OFFICE OF PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

> To: Pastor

Secretary

From: Fr. Mauricio Hurtador MH **Director of Vocations**

Date: July 3, 2025

Subject: Quo Vadis Retreat for Boys Ages 13 to 17 – Summer 2025

Greetings from the Office of Vocations! We are reaching out to request your help to invite and make families aware of the upcoming Quo Vadis Retreat for boys ages 13 to 17 on August 1-2, 2025 at St. Joseph Parish, Elk Grove, CA.

We would appreciate it if you could share this information in various ways, such as placing an ad in your Sunday bulletin, on your MyParish App, on your website. If you have a Vocations Ministry at your parish, maybe invite them to make a pulpit announcement and have a table for any inquiries parents may have after Mass or send a message to your youth minister or Religious Education Program Director/Coordinator to make parents aware of this opportunity for their son(s).

The retreat is a helpful way for boys in this age group to begin pondering where God may be calling them, whether it be marriage, the diaconate, religious life or priesthood.

The following is a suggested bulletin ad:

Quo Vadis Retreat ("Where Are You Going?"): The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites all young men ages 13 to 17 to the Quo Vadis Retreat. Dates: August 1-2, 2025 at St. Joseph Parish, 9961 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624. Cost: \$95. Schedule for the weekend: Friday, from 4pm to 9pm & Saturday, from 8am to 8pm. Young men will learn about the different vocations (Marriage, Diaconate, Religious Life or Priesthood). They will gain tools to begin pondering what vocation they are being called to. To register your son, please visit www.scd.org/quovadis or if you have further questions, contact us at (916) 733-0258.

The following is the suggested Spanish bulletin ad:

Retiro de Quo Vadis ("¿A dónde vas?"): La Oficina de Vocaciones Sacerdotales y Religiosas invita a todos los jóvenes varones de edades de 13 a 17 años al Retiro de Quo Vadis. Fechas: 1-2 de agosto del 2025 en la Parroquia de St. Joseph, 9961 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624. Costo: \$95. Horario para fin de semana: viernes de 4pm a 9pm y sábado de 8am a 8pm. Los participantes escucharán sobre las diferentes vocaciones (Matrimonio, Diaconado, Vida Religiosa y el Sacerdocio). Recibirán herramientas para comenzar a reflexionar sobre el llamado de Dios para ellos. Para inscribir a su hijo, favor de visitar a www.scd.org/quovadis o si tiene preguntas puede llamar al (916) 733-0258.

Registration is now open: Parents can register their son at the following registration link: www.scd.org/quovadis

Thank you for supporting the promotion of vocations!

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

BOYS (13-17) DISCERNMENT RETREAT



Join Us

Boys ages 13–17 will learn about the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Married Life. There will be time for fellowship, games, Mass, adoration, and more!

QUO VADIS Where are you going

Where/When

- Friday, August 1 4pm to 9pm
- Saturday, August 2 8am to 8pm

St. Joseph Parish 9961 Elk Grove-Florin Rd. Elk Grove, CA 95624

(Two Day Retreat)



Registration Fee: \$95 (Includes: dinner on Friday/lunch and dinner on Saturday).

This is NOT an overnight retreat. Fee increases to \$100 after July 18th. No registrations will be accepted after July 25th.

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