

Oblation Survey

- There are 5 boxes with three verses in each. Please treat each of the five boxes separately, read each verse in the box once or twice slowly. After reading the verses it might be helpful to summarize it our right it out in the right hand column. After you have prayed about the three verses, then please rank the three based on what verses appeal most to you. Of the three verses which one our you most drawn to, which one most appeals to your spirituality. Mark the one that appeals to you the most with a “1” in the left column and the one that appeals the least with a “3” and the other with a “2”. All in the left column.

	1	Mt. 7:7-8	
	2	Mt. 25:35-40	
	3	Lk. 9:23	

	4	Gal. 6:10	
	5	1 Cor. 9:25-27	
	6	1 Thes 5:17-18	

	7	Jas 1:27	
	8	Eph. 6:18	
	9	1 Pt. 4:13	

	10	Rom 8:13	
	11	Acts 2:42	
	12	1 Pt. 1:22	

	13	2 Cor 4:10	
	14	1 Jn. 3:17-18	
	15	Lk. 21:34-36	

- In the tables below write in the number (1, 2 or 3) that you put for the corresponding number on the opposite page. Then total up your points.

1	6	8	11	15	Total

- You perform duties, endure the difficulties in life and raise your minds in humble trust to God and make, at least mentally, some pious invocations. Vatican Council II, Church in the Modern World, No. 43: One of the gravest errors of our time is the dichotomy between the faith which many profess and the practice of their daily lives...Let there, then, be no such pernicious opposition between professional and social activity on the one hand and religious life on the other...Let Christians follow the example of Christ who worked as a craftsman; let them be proud of the opportunity to carry out their earthly activity in such a way as to integrate human, domestic, professional, scientific and technical enterprises with religious values, under whose supreme direction all things are ordered to the glory of God.

2	4	7	12	14	Total

- You, prompted by a spirit of faith, devote yourself or your goods / possessions in compassionate service to your brothers and sisters in need. Vatican Council II, Apostolate of Lay People, No. 8: Wherever people are to be found who are in want of food and drink, of clothing, housing, medicine, work, education, the means necessary for leading a truly human life, wherever there are people racked by misfortune or illness, people suffering exile or imprisonment, Christian charity should go in search of them and find them out, comfort them with devoted care and give them the helps that will relieve their needs...If this exercise of charity is to be above all criticism, and seen to be so, one should see in one's neighbors the image of God to which they have been created, and Christ the Lord to whom is really offered all that is given to the needy.

3	5	9	10	13	Total

- You, in a spirit of penitence, voluntarily abstain from something which is licit (good) for and pleasing to you. Apostolic Constitution on Christian Penance: The Church nevertheless appeals to all the faithful together that they obey the Lord's command to repent not only through the hardships and setbacks bound up with the nature of daily life, but also by acts of bodily mortification...in richer nations stress is placed on the witness of self-denial so that Christians will not become worldly; another emphasis is the witness of charity toward other, even those in foreign lands, who are suffering poverty and hunger.