



*Office of Vocations*

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Archdiocese of Portland

**From:** Fr. Jeff Eirvin, Director, Office of Vocations

**Date:** September 16, 2020

**Re:** Office of Vocations: 2020-2021 Calendar

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As we prepare for another year of ministry fostering a culture of vocations in our archdiocese, I wanted to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of you who continue to build relationships and support for the Office of Vocations and our seminarians. Please be sure to stay up to date through the Archdiocesan newsletter and the Office of Vocations website: [www.archdpxvocations.org](http://www.archdpxvocations.org).

### **Seminarian Appeal Mass for Vocations and Shepherd's Legacy Event - September 20, 2020**

Join Archbishop Sample via live-stream to celebrate this annual event from St. Mary's Cathedral, Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 11am. <https://vimeo.com/event/49424>

Please consider supporting our Archdiocese seminarian's education by using the resources provided at <https://osd.archdpx.org/sem>.

### **Priesthood Sunday – September 27, 2020**

Celebrate our priests! Parishes are invited to use special prayers of the faithful and bulletin announcements provided on our website:

<https://www.archdpxvocations.org/>.

Invite your parishioners and students to send a card, e-mail, or just say thanks to any priest who has been influential in their life. To find out how your parish can celebrate Priesthood Sunday

checkout [www.vocationministry.com](http://www.vocationministry.com) or [www.vianneyvocations.com](http://www.vianneyvocations.com).

### **Diaconate Ordination - October 1, 2020**

Please pray for Mr. Dustin Busse as he is ordained a deacon in Rome. The Mass will be broadcast on EWTN. A link to the recording will be posted on our website as soon as possible.

### **Mass of Candidacy at Mount Angel Seminary – October 21, 2020**

Please pray for the seminarians who have been called to candidacy for the priesthood.

### **St. Benedict Cup – Postponed to Spring, Date to be announced**

This friendly soccer match between seminarians and priests is held annually at Mount Angel Abbey and Seminary. Come and cheer them on!

### **National Vocation Awareness Week – November 1-7, 2020**

Let's celebrate vocations! Parishes are invited to use special prayers of the faithful and bulletin announcements provided on our website:

<https://www.archdpdxvocations.org/>.

Consider inviting priests, seminarians, or sisters to come in and share their vocation story, or lead a lesson on Vocations during Faith Formation? More ways to highlight vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life as well as the universal call to holiness in your parish can be found

at: [www.vocationministry.com](http://www.vocationministry.com) or [www.vianneyvocations.com](http://www.vianneyvocations.com).

### **Installation for Lector and Acolyte at St. Patrick Seminary – November 4, 2020**

Please pray for the seminarians who are being installed in the Ministry of Lector, which calls men to be a servant of the Living Word of God, and Ministry of Acolyte, which calls men to be a servant of the altar.

### **Winter Seminarian Dinner with Archbishop and Shepherd's Legacy Members – December 27, 2020**

Shepherd's Legacy Members are invited to a private event with Archbishop Sample and Archdiocese Seminarians.

### **Archbishop's Discernment Retreat – January 8-10, 2021**

If you are thinking that God may be calling you to the priesthood here in the Archdiocese of Portland, then this is the retreat for you! Seminarians will often say that it was here, at the Archbishop's Discernment Retreat, that they made the decision to enter seminary. This is a powerful weekend of prayer, fraternity and conversation with Archbishop Sample on various topics on the priestly vocation. If you would like to join us this year on retreat please contact your pastor or Fr. Jeff Eirvin in the Office of Vocations at [vocations@archdpdx.org](mailto:vocations@archdpdx.org).

### **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children – January 22, 2021**

Join our seminarians as they participate in local pro-life activities and pray for life.

USCCB Resources: <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/pray-life>

### **World Day for Consecrated Life – February 2, 2021**

Celebrated in parishes February 6-7, in honor of all those called to consecrated life! Pray for all the men and women religious serving in the Archdiocese of Portland. To find out how your parish can celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life, checkout [www.vocationministry.com](http://www.vocationministry.com) or [www.vianneyvocations.com](http://www.vianneyvocations.com).

Men and women religious are invited to a Mass for Consecrated Life with Archbishop Sample on February 7, 2021.

### **Vocation Rally – March 10 & 11, 2020**

All 6<sup>th</sup> grade youth are invited to attend the annual Vocation Rallies at St. Joseph School in Salem and St. Anthony School in Tigard. For more information contact the Office of Vocations at [vocations@archdpdx.org](mailto:vocations@archdpdx.org).

**Installation of Lector and Acolyte: Mount Angel Seminary – March, Date to be announced; North American College, Rome – March 7, 2020**

Please pray for the seminarians who are being installed in the Ministry of Lector, which calls men to be a servant of the Living Word of God, and Ministry of Acolyte, which calls men to be a servant of the altar.

**Spring Seminarian Dinner with Archbishop – April, 11, 2020**

Please pray for Archbishop Sample and our seminarians as they take an opportunity to share and discern the progress of the formation process.

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations – April 25, 2021**

Let's celebrate vocations! For ways to highlight vocations and the universal call to holiness in your parish go

to: [www.vocationministry.com](http://www.vocationministry.com) or [www.vianneyvocations.com](http://www.vianneyvocations.com).

**Seminary Graduations - St. Patrick's Seminary May 6, 2021; Mount Angel Seminary – Date to be announced**

Please pray for seminarians and their families as they celebrate their formation achievements.

**Priestly Ordinations – June 2021: Date to be announced**

All are welcome to attend the ordinations to the priesthood 11am at St. Mary's Cathedral in Portland.

**Quo Vadis Days – June 21-24, 2021**

"Quo Vadis" is the Latin phrase for "Where are you going?" Quo Vadis Days is a 4-day camp for young Catholic men to learn more about the priesthood, to deepen their faith, and to better discern God's call in their lives. Contact the Office of Vocations for more information at [vocations@archdpdx.org](mailto:vocations@archdpdx.org).

**Seminarian Retreat – July 20-23, 2021**

Please pray for Archbishop Sample and our seminarians as they take an opportunity to share and discern the progress of the formation process.

**Nun Run – August: Date to be announced**

Young women ages 15-22 who are actively discerning religious life are invited on this road-trip to visit with area religious communities and have fun celebrating our call to holiness as daughters of God. Contact the Office of Vocations for more information at [vocations@archdpdx.org](mailto:vocations@archdpdx.org).