

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

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ISAAC PECHA - "We do not pray to change divine decree, but only to obtain what God has decided will be obtained through prayer." — St. Thomas Aquinas



DEACON TIMOTHY REITHER - "Prayer keeps us united to God and it is in prayer that we come to know who God is."



BRIAN WARD - "May the Holy Spirit bring all Christians and even all people together in the world to know God."



STEVEN WELLER - Jesus is the Answer to which every heart is the question.



JOHN ZWEBER - "One of the most encouraging aspects of being a seminarian is knowing that people are praying for you. Every time I hear someone say they are praying for me, it reminds me that I am not alone, it reminds me that people need priests, and it reminds me that my vocation is the fruit of prayer."



KYLE LANG - "When we respond daily and generously, as Mary did, to Our Lord's gentle whisper, then we will flourish in the path God has prepared for us."



MATTHEW SZYMANSKI - "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" Philippians 4:13



ALEX RADTKE - It is ever important to understand different cultures and to pray for those in need. It is just as important to do this for the day but also for the year.

Each year, we set a day aside to storm heaven with our prayers to ask our Heavenly Father to help young men and women discover what He is calling them to do. God's calling to each person often comes in the silence of their hearts and it is prayer that helps that call grow louder and more clear. Please pray for vocations daily, that the Church may continue to be enriched with many holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. — Fr. Nate Kuhn, Office for Vocations



MATTHEW BOWE - "You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name." (John 15:16, NRSVCE)



JARED CLEMENTS - "The authentic search for silence is the quest for a silent God and for the interior life. It is the quest for a God who reveals himself in the depths of our being" - The Power of Silence, p. 191



JOSEPH GLATCZAK - "But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?" -Romans 10:14. We must constantly ask ourselves, "To who have I proclaimed Jesus to today?"



DEACON ERIC MASHAK - Seven days without prayer makes one weak.



DAVID NOWICKI - "Prayer joined to sacrifice constitutes the most powerful force in human history." - Pope St. John Paul II