

A MORNING OFFERING BY ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

O my God! I offer You all my actions of this day for the intentions and for the glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I desire to sanctify every beat of my heart, my every thought, my simplest works, by uniting them to His infinite merits; and I wish to make reparation for my sins by casting them into the furnace of His Merciful Love.

O my God! I ask of You for myself and for those whom I hold dear, the grace to fulfill perfectly Your Holy Will, to accept for love of You the joys and sorrows of this passing life, so that we may one day be united together in Heaven for all Eternity. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our Diocese to answer the call to priesthood and religious life. You have encouraged us to pray to You, the Lord of the Harvest, to send laborers into Your harvest.

May all those whom You are calling to serve the Church as dedicated priests and religious embrace Your invitation. Give them courage, a spirit of charity and a deep love for the Holy Eucharist so that they may respond faithfully and joyfully to You.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Mary, Mother and Model of all vocations, pray for us.

St. Thérèse, patroness of vocations, pray for us.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Gentle and loving God, we praise and thank You for the priests and religious who serve our Diocese.

Bless them with dedication and perseverance as they pour out their lives in loving service. May the gift of the Holy Eucharist always be for them the foundation of their prayer, their hope, their joy, and their consolation.

By their example and goodness, inspire many others to answer Your loving call to priesthood and religious life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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PRAYER OF THOSE OFFERING THEIR SUFFERINGS AND SACRIFICES FOR VOCATIONS

Loving and Merciful God, strengthen me as I share in the cross of Your Son. In times of illness and weakness, help me to be one with You in prayer.

I offer my sufferings and sacrifices in union with Christ for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life.

Give a spirit of generosity to those whom You are calling to serve the Church as priests and religious. Grant them courage to answer Your call to holiness with total dedication. Bless the seminarians who are preparing to offer their lives as gentle and compassionate servants of the Gospel and in imitation of Christ as shepherds of Your people.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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