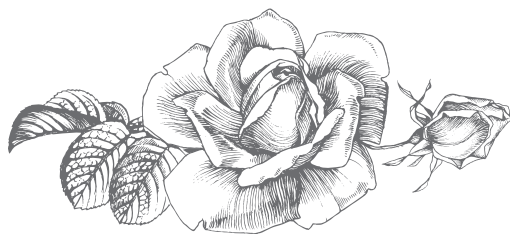


St. Therese Vocation Society
Diocese of Austin

Daily Prayer For Vocations

Heavenly Father, your divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his vineyard. We earnestly beg you to bless our diocese and our world with many priests and religious men and women who will love you fervently, and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We pray that their lives may be always centered on our Eucharistic Lord; that they be always faithful to the Holy Father; and that they may be devoted sons and daughters of Mary, our Mother, in making you known and loved; and that all may attain Heaven. Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes those whom you desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



A Morning Offering By St. Therese

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 its infinite merits; and I wish to make reparation for my sins by casting them into the furnace of its 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.

Daily Prayer For Priests & Religious

God our Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I ask You to bless and strengthen the spiritual renewal and vitality of all priests and religious so that your Church may shine more resplendently and bear witness to Your presence in our world today. I recommend to You the priests and religious dearest to me especially... O Jesus, keep them all close to Your Sacred Heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Attn.: Fr. Brian McMaster

Dear Friend in Christ,

St. Therese of Lisieux has captured hearts the world over because of her “little way” of confident love. Although she was a cloistered nun that only lived to the age of 24, her love was so far-reaching that she has been distinguished as a patron of all vocations and also a patron of missionaries. She lived a “vocation to love” that interceded for others through both her prayer and daily sacrifices.

Love is at the heart of the Church and love is at the heart of every vocation. Would you consider becoming such an intercessor of love like St. Therese? Like her, you can lift up the Church in the course of your daily life through your prayer and sacrifices.

Please join the St. Therese Vocation Society to pray for an increase of vocations and to intercede for the seminarians, priests, and religious of our diocese.

The interdependence of all Christian vocations is manifest in the St. Therese Vocation Society as married and single lay persons pray with and for priests, religious and seminarians for an increase of vocations.

Members keep particular focus on prayers for the perseverance of those in formation at our seminaries and religious communities and for the holiness of those already professed and ordained. With St. Therese we can share great confidence in the boundless mercy of God that he will provide richly for his vineyard.

By signing the detachable portion of this card and returning it to us, you are officially enrolled as a member of the St. Therese Vocation Society. There are no dues or meetings, only the promise of your prayers. A Seminarian Prayer Calendar is available online at austinvocations.com.

Keep the remaining portion of this card in your prayer book or other convenient place as a reminder of your prayer commitments. With your prayerful support we look forward to an increase in numbers and devotion of those who are willing to dedicate their lives completely to the service of the Lord and his Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Father Brian McMaster
Director of Vocations
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The St. Therese Vocation Society

As a member of the St. Therese Vocation Society, I pledge to:

1. Pray daily for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life.
(A sample prayer is provided on this card.)
2. Pray daily for an outpouring of grace upon the priests and religious serving our Diocese.
(Sample prayers are provided on this card.)
3. Pray for our seminarians by offering a monthly Rosary or Holy Hour.
4. Offer my personal Mass intention once a month for these same intentions. If I am unable to attend Mass due to age or illness, I may pray for these intentions through a spiritual communion.
5. Offer a share in any sufferings I may experience for an increase in vocations in our Diocese and an increase in zeal, fervor and grace for our priests, deacons and the religious men and women serving our diocese.

Tear off and mail or register online at www.austinvocations.com

Dear Fr. McMaster,

I wish to become a member of the St. Therese Vocation Society. As a member of the Society, I commit myself to offering the following for an increase in vocations in our Diocese, for the perseverance of the seminarians now studying for the priesthood, and for an outpouring of grace upon the priests, deacons and religious serving our Diocese:

1. a daily prayer for vocations
2. a daily prayer for priests, brothers and sisters.
3. a regular prayer for seminarians
4. a monthly Mass
5. a share in any sufferings I might endure.

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