

TO ALL OUR WIDOWS

My dear Sisters in Christ, my sincerest condolences on the loss of your spouses – whether it was recent or in the years past. Did you realize how desperately we, the church, needs you? Allow me to introduce you to the Widows of Prayer. We are a Catholic Apostolate, who are recognized by the Catholic Church and by the Official Catholic Directory (O.C.D.). We are a Private Association of the Faithful and are under the guidance of the Bishop of the Diocese of Green Bay. The Widows of Prayer just recently celebrated their 25th Anniversary on September 29th and has been a meaningful and fulfilling vocation for more than 115 women since its inception and establishment under Bishop Robert Banks in 1994.

Our ministry is one of dedicated prayer. The opportunities to us include daily mass and Eucharist, Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, to be devoted to the Blessed Sacrament and to promote Adoration of Christ in the Eucharist.

Our mission is to pray for our Priests, church leaders, Deacons, Seminarians and for an increase in Vocations. Our Blessed Mother has asked all of humanity throughout the ages to pray for her Son's Priests. Without our Priests, the Catholic Church would cease to exist.

Our Apostolate, Widows of Prayer is a wonderful means to a religious vocation for widows to live a life of holiness and prayer. Even though our lives are focused on God, we are still mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers and play an active role in those lives. Most Widows of Prayer live in their own homes and those who have made 3rd (final) Promise are allowed to make a Private Vow of Consecration if they choose. Pope Francis has now recognized Consecrated Widows as a wonderful vocation to the Church!

We have heard God's call and have answered YES by dedicating the remainder of our lives to Jesus by serving His Holy Catholic Church.

If you would like more information on the Widows of Prayer, our email is widowsofprayer@yahoo.com or call 920-540-5790. Visit our website at: www.widowsofprayer.org