

Duluth Diocesan Vocation Prayer

Prayed following Prayers of the Faithful

Almighty Father,
we beg You for an increase in religious vocations
and holy marriages in our diocese.
Help us to be generous in our response
to Your call.
Choose from our homes those who are
needed for Your work and strengthen us
with the courage to say "yes" and to follow You.
Help us as a diocese, as a parish,
as families to encourage and foster
vocations to the priesthood,
permanent diaconate and
consecrated life.
We commend our prayers
to our patroness, Mary,
Queen of the Rosary,
and ask this through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

Prayers that you can pray during Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

At Your feet, O my Jesus,
I prostrate myself and I offer You repentance of my
contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness
and in Your holy presence.
I adore You in the Sacrament of Your love, the
ineffable Eucharist.
I desire to receive You into the poor dwelling that
my heart offers You.
While waiting for the happiness of Sacramental
Communion, I wish to possess You in Spirit.
Come to me Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming
to You!
May Your love embrace my whole being in life and
in death.
I believe in You, I hope in You, I love You. Amen.

Prayer for a New Bishop

Prayed just before Mass begins

God our Father,
In Jesus, your Son, You have given to your Church
the perfect model of priest, prophet and king,
and so You have blessed us through His sacrifice,
taught us through His Word,
and guided us through His rule.
We thank You for the previous bishops who have
cared for the people of the Diocese of Duluth.
We ask You, Father, to guide and enlighten those
who will be tasked with helping to choose
the next bishop of our diocese.
May the man they choose be a man
of deep and true prayer,
a man of compassionate heart and firm resolve,
and a man of joy and peace,
who desires above all to do Your will.
We entrust our prayers to our Patroness, Mary,
Queen of the Rosary,
and ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael

Prayed immediately after Mass

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares
of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do though,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.