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Prayer of the Faithful For Vocation to the Priesthood First Sunday of the Month December 2009 – November 2010

DECEMBER 6TH - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6 *The Preaching of John the Baptist*

Lord, sanctify our priests and raise up many holy vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago, to help us make straight our paths, to hear and live the Gospel. We pray to the Lord.

JANUARY 3RD - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12 *Epiphany of the Lord*

Lord, sanctify our priests and manifest your great generosity by giving the Archdiocese of Chicago an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We pray to the Lord.

FEBRUARY 7TH - FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11 *Jesus Calls the First Disciples*

Lord, sanctify our priests and call more men forth to serve as priests in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Help them to hear the call of Jesus to the priesthood and the courage to answer. We pray to the Lord.

MARCH 7TH - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 *Repent or Perish*

Lord, sanctify our priests and raise up many vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago, to help us repent, deepen our faith and bear good fruit. We pray to the Lord.

APRIL 4TH - EASTER SUNDAY

Gospel: John 20:1-9 *Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ*

Lord, sanctify our priests and raise up many holy vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We pray to the Lord.

MAY 2ND - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35 *The New Commandment*

Lord, sanctify our priests and in your great love give the Archdiocese of Chicago an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We pray to the Lord.

JUNE 6TH - MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17 *Feeding the Five Thousand*

Lord, sanctify our priests and multiply the number of men answering the call to the priesthood in order to bring us the Bread of Life and outreach to those in great need. We pray to the Lord.

JULY 4TH - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 *The Mission of the Seventy-two*

Lord, send many laborers for your abundant harvest by blessing the Archdiocese of Chicago with an increase in holy vocations to the priesthood. We pray to the Lord.

AUGUST 1ST - EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21 *Parable of the Rich Fool*

Lord, help our priests to be rich in matters of God and raise up many holy vocations to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Universal Church. We pray to the Lord.

SEPTEMBER 5TH - TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33 *The Cost of Discipleship*

Lord, open our hearts to your call to discipleship and greatly increase our number of vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We pray to the Lord.

OCTOBER 3RD - TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 *Faith the Size of a Mustard Seed.*

Lord, instill deep faith in your priests in service of your kingdom and greatly increase our number of vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We pray to the Lord.

NOVEMBER 7TH - THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38 *The Question about Man's Resurrection*

Lord, in your great generosity grant the Archdiocese of Chicago an increase in holy vocations to the priesthood. We pray to the Lord.