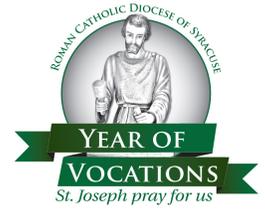




Vocation Bulletin Blurbs

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First Sunday of Advent - November 29, 2020

“You, Lord, are our Father.” Is the Lord inviting you to be a spiritual father or mother through religious life or the priesthood? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Second Sunday of Advent - December 6, 2020

“Prepare the way of the Lord” by listening to His invitation to serve Him and discern priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Third Sunday of Advent - December 13, 2020

“My soul rejoices in my God.” Does your heart find joy in the Lord? Perhaps this is an invitation to grow closer to Him as a priest, deacon, or religious sister or brother. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 20, 2020

“Do not be afraid” if the Lord is calling you to discern the priesthood or religious life. Follow Mary’s example and respond with humble trust. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas - Feast of the Holy Family - December 27, 2020

“Over all these put on love.” Discerning a vocation to priesthood, diaconate, and religious life are ways to love the Lord and his people. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Epiphany of the Lord – January 3rd 2021

“They prostrated themselves and did him homage (Mt. 2:10-11).” In addition to bringing their gifts, the magi humbly laid *themselves* down before the Lord in worship. Are you being called to lay down your life in loving service to the Lord? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

The Baptism of the Lord – January 10th 2021

In the moment of our Baptism, we were claimed by God as his own and set aside for a very unique purpose. Ever since then, God has been giving you graces to help you figure out what that purpose is! Has the Lord been preparing you to live out your calling as a priest or consecrated religious? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 17th 2021

Here I am, Lord. Speak, for your servant is listening (cf. 1 Samuel 3). As with Samuel and many others before and after him, God often calls those we would least expect to carry out his magnificent plan of salvation. Don’t doubt that he might be calling you! Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 24th 2021

Jesus said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Then they abandoned their nets and followed him (cf. Mk 1:14-20). Drop your nets and see how the Lord will transform your life. Are *you* ready to follow? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 31st 2021

Psalm 95: “If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” Keep listening to the Lord in the silence of your heart...the more you are open to hear him, the more he speaks. Is your vocation to holiness to be lived out as a priest or in the consecrated life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

February 7th – Fifth Sunday In OT

The Psalms tell us the Lord calls each of by name. Is the Lord calling you to a vocation? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

February 14th – Sixth Sunday In OT

“Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.” Religious vocations are a generous way to imitate Christ and bring the light of the Gospel to our world. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

February 21st – First Sunday In Lent

In Lent, we seek to deepen our relationship with the Lord through prayer and fasting. Is the Lord calling you to grow closer to him through discerning a vocation? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

February 28th – Second Sunday In Lent

“This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Jesus speaks to us in many ways. In what way is he speaking to you? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Third Sunday of Lent - March 7, 2021

“Zeal for your house will consume me.” Do you feel a call from the Lord to the priesthood or religious life? Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 14, 2021

“Whoever lives the truth comes to the light.” Can you be a beacon of Christ's Light to others as a priest, religious sister or brother, or deacon? Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 21, 2021

“I will draw everyone to myself.” Do you think that God is asking you to lead people to Him? Perhaps the priesthood or consecrated life is part of His plan for you. Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - March 28, 2021

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” Is being a priest, deacon, or religious sister or brother the vocation God wants for you? Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Easter Sunday – April 4, 2021 “God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power.” Are you being called to proclaim the life of the resurrected Christ to the world? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

Second Sunday of Easter -- April 11, 2021 - Divine Mercy Sunday “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you.” If you are considering to be a Priest, Sister or Deacon who proclaims the truth and peace of Jesus Christ? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

Third Sunday of Easter -- April 18, 2021 “Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments.” Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 25, 2021 – Good Shepherd Sunday. Pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese. If you are considering such a vocation, Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

Fifth Sunday of Easter -- May 2, 2021 “Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.” Are you being called to love the Lord and His people as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life? Love demands truth and action. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 2, 2021 – John 15: 1 - 8

“Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.” Just like the vine and the branches need each other in order to produce much fruit, our relationship with Christ nourishes us and brings us life. Is your spiritual relationship with Christ fruitful?

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 9, 2021 – John 15: 9 - 17

“It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you . . . this I command you: love one another.” Where is God calling you right now in your life? Have you answered it with love?

Ascension Sunday – May 16, 2021 – Mark 16:15-20

“But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them.” Christ called his disciples to go out and preach the gospel to “every creature”. As His disciples, how are you being called to go and spread the gospel to all the world?

Pentecost Sunday – May 23, 2021

“Lord send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the Earth.” The Holy Spirit came down upon the Apostles and gave them the strength to go out and fulfill Christ’s call in their lives. Do you feel the Holy Spirit is directing your towards a certain path?

Trinity Sunday -May 30, 2021 – Matthew 28: 16 – 20

“And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” Christ will never forget this promise; through the good and the bad times, through the joyful and fearful times, when we feel lost and don’t know where to go, Christ will always be with us. Where are you going? Search for Christ, and you will know where you need to be.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – June 6, 2021

The Lord has given us his Body and Blood as “food for the journey” of life here on earth. Christ has called many men to become priests to feed the flock with this divine gift. Is Christ calling you? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 13, 2021

Christ has sown seeds into each of our lives. As they begin to “sprout and grow”, many seek out the counsel of priests for guidance. Could the Lord be calling you to this divine vocation? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 20, 2021

“Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?”. Christ the Lord is constantly calling men to serve him and the church by becoming priests. If Christ is calling you, have faith and do not be terrified! Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 27, 2021

Many faithful men are being called to serve the Church through the priesthood, but few answer the call. As our Lord says, “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” If you think you might be called and want to talk about it, call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: [\](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 4th, 2021

“For when I am weak, then I am strong.” The Lord will ask us to bear many trials for His sake but will never abandon us. What is He asking you to do in service of His Kingdom? Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 11th, 2021

“The Lord said to me ... go, prophesy to my people...” In every age, the Lord chooses men to speak to His people. We are told today of His “plan to sum up all things in Christ.” What is your part in the plan? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 18th, 2021

“For they were like sheep without a shepherd.” Our peace comes only from the Lord, who promised to send shepherds to guard His people, maybe you are being called to bring everyone to that peace. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 25th, 2021

The Lord continues to nourish a starving people just as He did in today’s Gospel. In the Lord, we find all our satisfaction, but He needs disciples to bring His food to the hungry. Are you being called to serve at the altar? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1, 2021

The disciples ask Jesus in the Gospel, “What can we do to accomplish the works of God?” When is the last time you asked yourself this question? Could God be calling you to become a worker in His vineyard by being a priest, sister, or brother? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8, 2021

Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, says: “live in love, as Christ loved us.” How are you planning to live out the love that God calls us to? Could it be in a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

Mary’s eventual Assumption into Heaven started with her “yes” to become the Mother of Jesus. Pope Francis reminds us that for us, “Every ‘yes’ to God is a step toward Heaven.” If God is calling you to become a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother, then will you say yes? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

In the Gospel, we hear: “It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.” It is only when we seek the things above that we will have everlasting joy. Have you considered what God wants of you lately as opposed to what the world expects of you? Reflect this week on whether it might be a vocation to the priesthood. Don’t be afraid to reach out to Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021

In the second reading, James says, “Be doers of the word and not hearers only.” Is God calling you to proclaim His Word as a priest, deacon, or religious? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary time-September 5th, 2021: “Say to those who are of a fearful heart, ‘Be strong, fear not!’” Do not be afraid if you feel called to the priesthood, God has an amazing plan in store for you. Follow the call. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time-September 12th, 2021: “What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him?” What comes from faith, is prayer and discernment. Think about the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time-September 19th, 2021: “If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” Could you be called to serve others through the priesthood or religious life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time-September 26th, 2021: Christ says when we serve the needy we bear His name. Have you considered bearing His name and serving the poor through religious life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time-October 3rd, 2021: “For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified have all one origin.” Priests help to sanctify us in cooperation with Christ. Is God calling you to help sanctify his people? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Eighth Sunday in ordinary time-October 10th, 2021: “For the word of God is alive.” The word of God helps us discern our calling. Are you called to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary time-October 17th: “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” To be a priest, deacon, or religious means to serve others. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary time-October 24th: “Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices.” There is always a burning desire to become closer to God. Discerning the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life is one way to become closer to God. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary time-October 31st: “Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests.” Christ calls us to a vocation we are. Is He calling you to priesthood, or religious life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

All Saints -- November 1st, 2021

Let us unite ourselves with the Saints, who followed God's will in their life. Let us ask these great intercessors to pray that we too may have the courage to say 'yes' to God's will in our own lives! Is God calling you to say 'yes' to the priesthood or consecrated religious life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468 or write vocations@syrdio.org

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time -- November 8, 2021

"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God" Are you thirsting for something more? Could God be calling you into service in his vineyard as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother? Help quench the thirst and Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468 or write vocations@syrdio.org

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time -- November 14, 2021

Well done, good and faithful servant..." God is calling us all to use the talents and gifts He has given us for His greater good! How are you using your gifts for that greater good? Is God calling you to use these gifts as a priest, deacon, or in consecrated life? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468 or write vocations@syrdio.org

Solemnity of Christ the King -- November 22, 2021

"I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink" Are you hungry or thirsting for something more in life? Is God calling you to be a sister, brother, priest, or deacon? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468 or write vocations@syrdio.org