



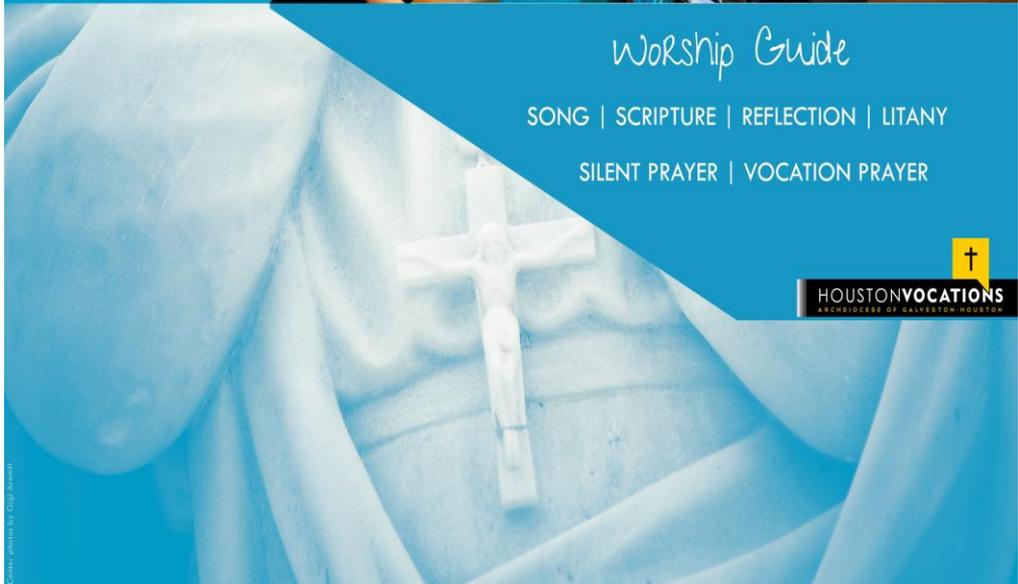
# World Day of Prayer for vocations



## Worship Guide

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**SILENT PRAYER – Is encouraged for the remainder of the Holy Hour of Adoration.**

**VOCATION PRAYER – To be recited at the end of the Holy Hour of Adoration.**

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Pope Francis Prayer for Vocations*  
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## Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise thy name;  
Lord of all, we bow before thee;  
All on earth thy scepter claim;  
All in heaven above adore thee.  
Infinite thy vast domain;  
Everlasting is thy reign.  
Infinite thy vast domain;  
Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn  
Angel choirs above are raising;  
Cherubim and Seraphim,  
In unceasing chorus praising.  
Fill the heaven with sweet accord:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord.  
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Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Holy Father, Holy Son,  
Holy Spirit; three we name thee,  
Though in essence only one;  
Undivided God we claim thee,  
And adoring bend the knee  
While we own the mystery.  
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**Scripture: John 2: 1-5**





**LEADER:** Lord Jesus, your great love for us moved you to remain with us under the appearances of the Eucharistic Bread. We kneel before you and offer you our faith and love as we place in your hands all that we are and all that we have.

In union with your most beloved Mother, we come to offer you our heartfelt prayer for the world, for all people, for your priests, and for all those who have consecrated their lives totally to you. Lord Jesus, Word of God, we especially implore you to inspire more servants to respond with generosity as your Mother Mary did, saying, "Let it be done to me according to your word."

**ALL:** **We need you, Lord.**

**LEADER:** We need you, Lord. The world and the Church need you. Humbly and earnestly, we ask you to send us priests, missionaries, and consecrated men and women who will be as light shining in the darkness.

**ALL:** **Lord, send us your light.**

**LEADER:** You took pity on the crowd that followed you when they were as sheep without a shepherd. Look upon us who strive to follow you today, and hear our prayer.

**ALL:** **Send us shepherds after your own heart.**

**LEADER:** The harvest is indeed great, and you bought it at the price of your Passion and Death. Do not let it go unharvested for want of laborers.

**ALL:** **Lord, send laborers into your fields.**

**LEADER:** Through our priests, our faith recognizes and honors you, our Lord, walking alongside us through time, especially in the sublime mystery of the Eucharist and the sacraments.

**ALL:** **Lord, send priests to your Church.**



**LEADER:** Men and women who live the consecrated life leave everything in order to follow you alone, the Supreme Good. Their consecrated life is a great gift to your Church.

**ALL:** **Lord, send your Church vocations to the consecrated life.**

**LEADER:** In the remotest corners of the world, your missionaries preach and witness your Gospel to those who have not heard of you.

**ALL:** **Lord, send men and women missionaries to your Church.**

**LEADER:** Lord, we trust in your promise to be with us until the end of time. Help those who you call to priesthood and religious life to be generous and respond promptly like the prophet Isaiah: "Here am I, Lord, send me."

**ALL:** **Grant generosity, faith and courage to those whom you have called.**

**LEADER:** Instill in our families an awareness of their crucial role in fostering their children's vocations.

**ALL:** **Grant us the faith and grace to support God's will for our children.**

**LEADER:** Renew all your priests and those you have called to the consecrated life in their love for you and your Church. May their lives radiate the virtues of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

**ALL:** **Grant us priests and consecrated men and women after your own heart.**

**LEADER:** Lord, inspire and help all those who serve you in seminaries and houses of formation. May their labors provide your Church with a new generation of witnesses on fire with zeal for the new evangelization.

**ALL:** **Lord, send us holy priests and consecrated men and women.**



LITANY: INVOCATION FOR  
PRIESTHOOD AND  
RELIGIOUS LIFE



LEADER: We pray to you, Lord, for all those who dedicate their lives to promote vocations. Give them persevering love, and bless their efforts and prayer so that the Church will always have the vocations she needs to fulfill her mission.

ALL: **Lord, bless your Church with a new generations of priests and consecrated persons.**

LEADER: The harvest is great. The laborers are few.

ALL: **Lord, send laborers to your harvest.**

LEADER: For young people who feel your call,

ALL: **Grant them the love to be generous.**

LEADER: For all those consecrated to you,

ALL: **Increase their charity.**

LEADER: For young people you call who are doubting,

ALL: **Grant them the certainty that only faith and love can give.**

LEADER: For those who feel your call at an early age,

ALL: **Grant them supernatural wisdom.**

LEADER: For seminarians and those in formation for the consecrated life,

ALL: **Grant them perseverance.**

LEADER: For missionary priests and consecrated women and men,

ALL: **Fill them with your zeal.**

LEADER: For young priests and consecrated women and men,

ALL: **Move them strongly to seek your glory.**

LEADER: For elderly priests and consecrated women and men,

ALL: **Sustain them in your service.**





- LEADER: For all deceased priests and consecrated women and men,  
ALL: **Grant them a share in your glory.**
- LEADER: The harvest is great. The laborers are few.  
ALL: **Lord, send laborers into your harvest.**
- LEADER: For our Holy Father, Pope Francis,  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: For the Shepherds of the Church,  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: For our bishop, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, and all bishops.  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: For those who most need your grace,  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: For those who are far from you,  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: For the particular needs of our local Church,  
ALL: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- LEADER: Lord Jesus, eternal priest, never cease to send your Church new priests and consecrated men and women, shepherds after your own heart. We need your ministers. They are the instruments of your grace and love. Help us listen to your Mother, our Mother, as she says, “Do whatever He tells you.” Help us support those among us who are called to priesthood and religious life, that they might respond with courage and generosity, saying, “Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.” We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
ALL: **Amen.**

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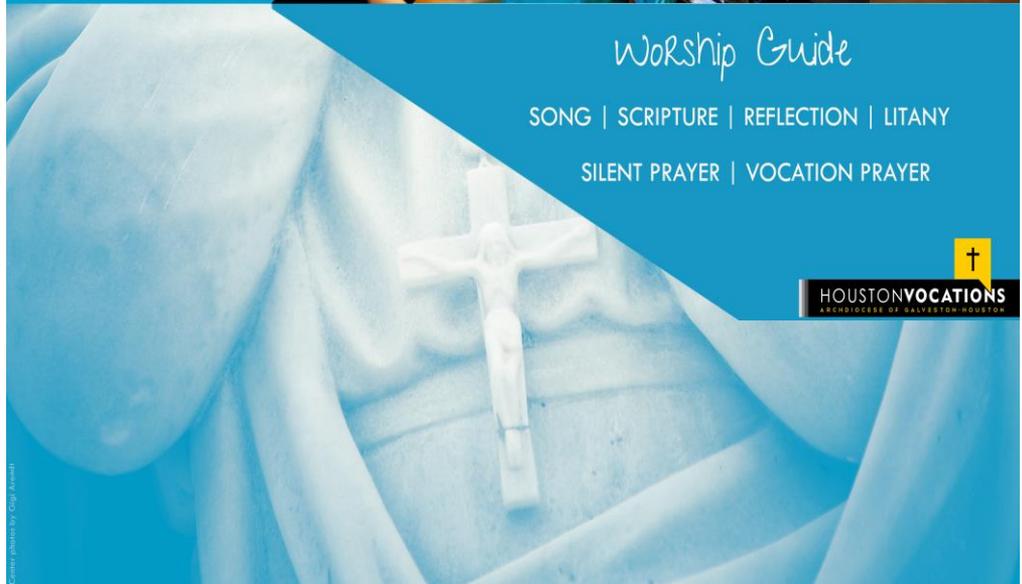
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