

Vocation Views - Year C

"Give me water that I may never get thirsty"

Reflections for your weekly parish bulletin following Cycle C of the Liturgical Year

First Sunday of Advent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Make your decision to follow Jesus during THIS Advent Season. Delaying until "one" of these days is "none" of these days. Follow now.

Second Sunday of Advent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Who, today, is willing to make ready the way of the Lord, to clear Him a straight path? Good, I prayed you would.

Third Sunday of Advent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Have you ever asked: "What ought I do?" Simply, tell the good news to people. Nothing else matters.

Fourth Sunday of Advent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Can you honestly pray: "I have come to do your will, O God"? Blessed are you who trusts that the Lord's words to you will be fulfilled.

Christmas - A, B, C

A VOCATION VIEW: Christmas comes but once a year. But you can be Christ to others the remaining 364 days. In fact, He is counting on you.

Feast of the Holy Family - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Unless your family loves you, nothing else makes sense. In your family your vocation can grow in wisdom, age and grace.

Mary, Mother of God. Octave Day of Christmas - C

A VOCATION VIEW: A new year... the Lord bless you and keep you. A new vocation . . . tell others that the Lord blesses and keeps them!

Epiphany of our Lord - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Many adults never grow up. They continue to traipse across the earth looking for a shining star. Tell them who lights up your life, O Christian.

Baptism of our Lord - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Come on, continue your Baptism by baptising others in the Holy Spirit and fire. "You are my beloved child," says the Lord!

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: There was a wedding between God and us: "to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse." God is faithful and true. Let us do the same.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: The word of God becomes the flesh of God when YOU live it in your life. Believe what you read; live what you believe. Be another Christ.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: The Lord says: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I dedicated you." Always listen to an Old Friend.

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: God does not ask you to be successful: God does ask you to be faithful. Put your vocation ahead of your career.

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Try not to pray for an easy life; rather, pray to be a strong person. Strong in trust, hope, care, love. Follow the Master.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: If you love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you and pray for those who maltreat you, realise that God has already called YOU.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Since each person speaks from his heart's abundance, let Jesus form your heart and your life. Follow Him willingly.

First Sunday of Lent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: The world tempts us to grab all we can. Even food becomes more when it is given than when it is taken. Follow Jesus: be a giver.

Second Sunday of Lent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: After the transfiguration, Peter, John and James wanted to stay up the mountain. But Jesus said, "Move," with the knowledge that ships are safe in harbours, but not meant to stay in harbours.

Third Sunday of Lent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.

Fourth Sunday of Lent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus came to forgive. Since people continue to sin, we need people who will continue to forgive in Jesus' way. How about YOU?

Fifth Sunday of Lent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Lent is six weeks of being serious about forgiveness and knowing we are loved. Who will step forward to tell of God's great love for us?

Palm Sunday - C

A VOCATION VIEW: When Jesus comes into your life, grab something and wave it. Show your joy, your happiness; your dream is fulfilled. Tell others: Jesus is here!

Easter Sunday - C

A VOCATION VIEW: We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead. He promises to take us to heaven too. Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - C

A VOCATION VIEW: You've got an incredible message to make credible. It is not like selling used cars! It is proclaiming eternal life, forgiveness and Great Love!

Third Sunday of Easter - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Let people know that Jesus has the solution. Cast your net on the other side of life. Listen to God's Son. And tell the world what you hear!

Fourth Sunday of Easter (World Day of Prayer for Vocations) - C

A VOCATION VIEW: On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, pray for yourself. Pray to know if God is calling YOU to be a Priest, Sister or Brother. Pray!

Fifth Sunday of Easter - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Can you imagine a country running on Jesus' one law of "love one another"? No wars. No hunger. No thirst. No jealousy. Only loving followers of Jesus.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - C

A VOCATION VIEW: It is not that talents add up to a vocation; but that a Vocation brings talents. The Spirit of God lives within you!

Ascension of the Lord - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Our Spiritual Life is a Journey - following the Call of the Master to "Go and teach all people my Gospel." Say "Yes" over and over again.

Pentecost Sunday - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Like sun through a stained glass window, the Spirit of God can shine in your life to rouse the best in another. Come, follow Him.

Trinity Sunday - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Human beings establish lasting loving bonds. But the Trinity shows us perfect love: you, God and neighbour. There's nothing more than love.

Corpus Christi - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Food usually becomes more when it is given than when it is taken - The more Jesus is given, the more we share Him, the more He increases.

Tenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Today we are reminded just how much Jesus loves and cares for us - do you replay Him for the life he has given you by offering that life to Him?

Eleventh Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: The more your sins are forgiven, the more love you must show - what greater love than to lay down your life for others in a vocation to the priesthood or religious life?

Twelfth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: God forgives our sins through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Only priests can offer the sacrament. Pray for them and that more may join them.

Birth of John the Baptist - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Have you done enough converting to be serious about following Jesus? Like John, "...go before the Lord to prepare his ways."

Thirteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Can you imagine Jesus, facing His fate in the Garden of Gethsemane, deciding, "No, I'll not go through with this?" No, vocation means perseverance.

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus says: "The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the harvest-master to send workers to the harvest." Pray for Vocations.

Fifteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Treating others with compassion is a mark of a follower of Jesus, whether known as The Good Samaritan, Mother, Priest, Sister, Deacon or Brother.

Sixteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: How enjoyable to sit and talk with a friend. How vocational to sit and talk with your friend Jesus. Take time just to BE WITH Jesus.

Seventeenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: God knows what we want before we ask. God knows who we are before we discern. God invites us to pray: to ask and to discern.

Eighteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Another sign of Vocation is that your heart is more intent on things of heaven rather than on things of earth. God is everything: the only thing.

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Where is your treasure? There is your heart! Have you considered that God's will is your treasure for you? Come, follow Him!

Assumption - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Some days we'd like to be assumed into heaven with Mary. However, our vocation is still on this earth, saying, as she said often: "Be it done unto me according to thy will."

Twentieth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus wants his followers to light a fire on the earth. His followers, as His fire, are bright, blazing, consuming, enlightening and warm.

Twenty-first Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Whom the Lord loves, He disciplines. The best way to lead others through the narrow gate is to be formed and disciplined as a leader. Then you can go through the narrow gate, yourself.

Twenty-second Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus keeps saying, "Let go. Come, follow me." If your pride is holding you back, or if you're looking for exaltation, let go. Come, follow His way.

Twenty-third Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus says clearly; "Anyone who does not take up the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple." You and Jesus can carry your cross together. Then, you can follow!

Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: We are like the lost sheep when we have not found our place in life. Are you part of the herd, lost from the herd, or a leader of the herd?

Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Do you think it is the Lord who is motivating you to make lots of money, to use people, to grab for power, to attend to the needs of others?

Twenty-sixth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Courage! Courage when you follow the Lord. Remember, people may not be convinced, even if one should rise from the dead - Live, in order to testify to resurrection and life.

Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Oh, that today you would hear His voice! Listening brings faith; faith brings hope. Hope brings trust; trust brings courage to follow the Lord.

Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: If faith can move mountains, it can remove hardness of heart. Faith does move mountains, so faith does remove hardness of heart.

Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Even as a child you knew the importance of asking often for something you really wanted. Now again, in an adult way, ask God to show you His will. But, be ready to do it!

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: If you exalt yourself, what do you leave for God to give you? Rather, listen to God's voice. Doing His will is all you need to do.

Feast of All Saints - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Sainthood: a vocation fulfilled. Whatever journey you take, whichever path you follow, be sure your "career" leads you to sainthood, the greatest and ultimate Vocation.

Thirty-first Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Do whatever is necessary to see Jesus: climb a tree, make a retreat, confess your sins, read His life, help an enemy, say a prayer. He will stay with you today.

Thirty-second Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: As the Church-year comes to a close, may the Lord Jesus strengthen your heart for every good work and word. May you live your vocation.

Thirty-third Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: You know that at the end of earth-time, everything will be stubble. Be sure there is a monument to your earth-love in heaven. Listen to Jesus.

Feast of Christ the King - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Who will work for Jesus, the King of Peace, Hope and Honour, the King of Love, Truth and Justice? Who is dedicated and enthusiastic enough to proclaim his Good News? It must be YOU!