



VOCATIONS  
MINISTRY

May 7, 2024

# Opening Prayer

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Heavenly Father,  
we ask you to bless our diocese with  
selfless hearts that are willing to serve you,  
by serving Your Church

Lord Jesus raise up from our homes  
those called by the Father:  
courageous and humble men to the Priesthood  
generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate  
faithful people to Consecrated Life and holy  
men and women to the sacrament of Marriage.

Holy Sprit, help us to live our universal vocation  
to holiness by listening to the Father's voice  
and responding with a sacrificial love.

Holy Mary, Model of Vocations,  
teach us to hear and follow your Son.

Holy Mary, Queen of Priests,  
sanctify our priests and obtain for us many more.

Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, pray  
for our families and intercede for our children.

AMEN

# A Few Words from Pope Francis

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**For the  
formation of  
men and women  
religious, and  
seminarians**

May 2024



# Overview

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Ministry Review/Update

Projects

DVET Update

Business Plan

# Ministry Review



## Vision

- To grow in holiness by fostering opportunities to encounter Jesus Christ so that all can freely respond to His invitation to vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, religious, and married life

## Mission

- Create awareness of vocations in the Catholic Church so that we can live out our Baptismal promises and to help discerners discover, embrace, and live out God's call for their lives.

# Ministry Review

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Prayer

Awareness

Education

Affirmation

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Women's Club

New Catholics—25 April 2024

1 May Religious Brothers Day

World Priest Day 7 June 2024

9 Sep International Buy a Priest a Beer Day

We'll use 7 Sep—a Saturday

22 Sep Priesthood Sunday

Pope Francis Video posted on our website

# Project Update

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Recognize and support Spencer Grant and Casey Muse

Success of 7 Sisters Apostolate

Challenge Coins

Two sets given to Fr. Anthony

Pastoral Legacy—“A Legacy of Great Pastors”

Requested funds from Women’s Club

Sample pictures and wall

Wall dedication at installation of Fr. Anthony

# Challenge Coins

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# Pastoral Legacy

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# DVET Update

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Visit to Seminary in Louisiana  
Handbook has been released  
Website is active  
Altar Service Honors next up



# Business Plan

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Do we need one?

Are quarterly meetings enough to set/reset the direction of the Ministry?

# Business Plan

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- 1) Document all of our goals (short, intermediate and longer term).
- 2) Outline, in detail, our recruitment strategy.
- 3) Define our target markets (prospects) including ages, education, marital status, etc.
- 4) Outline all resources needed, including financial budget, technology, etc. to support our recruitment strategy.
- 5) Assign vocational team members to specific points of responsibility in the recruitment strategy.
- 6) Assign responsibility to all priests, deacons and nuns to communicate with prospects and the Vocational Ministry.
- 7) Tracking - set up a software system to track all communication with our target market vocational prospects. It would be great if we could get our hands on some "tracking software" (maybe something like [Salesforce.com](https://www.salesforce.com)), to monitor all conversations, interactions everyone has with prospects and each other.
- 8) Ongoing communication via [CONSTANTCONTACT.COM](https://www.constantcontact.com). The software is a great way to build relationships with prospects. Without [Constant Contact](https://www.constantcontact.com), I am worried some prospects will "fall between the cracks". The software makes managing and tracking emails, to prospect, over time, look easy. It is my understanding that Saint Tim's currently uses Constant Contact.

# Business Plan

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- Priest Coin: they can hand to students
- Database of Potential students to become Priests
- Family Dinners with Priests. In Families homes or at the parish.
- Short Video: Day in the life of Fr. Anthony
- Recruit More Altar Servers
- Discernment Retreat With High School Teens
- Priests to play more with kids. Seen Fr. Anthony do this with teens playing volleyball and Fr. Drew doing kickball. These moments are gold.
- 40 Hr Adoration/Devotion or more time in front of Blessed Sacrament in general. Encounter Nights.

# Closing Prayer

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# Save the Date!

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SEPT 25, 2024

Join us for coffee and donuts after every mass

