

Pastoral Plan Implementation
Goals by Core Direction
Vocations

Year	Core Direction	Objectives and Narrative
1	Vocations	<p>Monthly Mass for Vocations</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in association with parishes and other Archdiocesan Offices (such as the Office of Formation for Discipleship, the Office of Public Relations and Communications, the Office of Catholic Youth, and the Office of Spiritual Affairs), will develop a plan for “Prayer for Vocations” which will include:</p> <p>a. The celebration of Mass with a special dedication to Prayer for Vocations on one Sunday each month (e.g. third Sunday of every month), in all parishes within the Archdiocese.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Promotion of Eucharistic devotion</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in association with parishes and other Archdiocesan Offices (such as the Office of Formation for Discipleship, the Office of Public Relations and Communications, the Office of Catholic Youth, and the Office of Spiritual Affairs), will develop a plan for “Prayer for Vocations” which will include:</p> <p>b. The celebration of Eucharistic Adoration with a special dedication to Prayer for Vocations.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Collaboration and cooperation of resources</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in association with the Vocations Council will coordinate resources and programs in all Archdiocesan Offices (Office of Catholic Youth, Office of Formation for Discipleship, Office of Public Relations and Communications, etc.) to promote vocations.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>May as Vocations Awareness Month</p> <p>1. The month of May is to be designated as Vocations Awareness Month in the Archdiocese. This period would promote vocations through:</p> <p>a. Parish homilies, prayers of the faithful, etc.</p> <p>b. Talks and events featuring bishops, priests, deacons, religious and seminarians.</p> <p>c. Distribution of resources with specific and concrete information on vocation discernment.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Promotion of Lay Ministry</p> <p>1. Theological Faculties, Archdiocesan Offices (such as the Office of Catholic Youth, Office of Formation for Discipleship etc.) and Religious Communities with youth charisms, are to seek concrete ways to support vocations to lay pastoral ministry.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Programs for Youth Ministry</p> <p>1. The Office of Catholic Youth is to promote and develop programs of formation for youth ministry and evangelization.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Fraternal Support of Priests</p> <p>1. The Office of Clergy Personnel and Chaplaincy encourages the fraternal support of priests for their spiritual, physical and emotional health through regularly scheduled meetings.</p>

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1	Vocations	<p>Fraternal Support of Permanent Deacons</p> <p>1. The Episcopal Vicar for Deacons encourages the fraternal support of permanent deacons and their families, for their spiritual, physical and emotional health through regularly scheduled meetings.</p>
1	Vocations	<p>Involvement of Regional Bishops in Priestly Support</p> <p>1. Regional Bishops are to ensure that opportunities are taken for regular review and dialogue with pastors, concerning issues affecting parish life, accomplishments and future plans.</p>
2	Vocations	<p>Sharing Vocation Stories</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in collaboration with St. Augustine's Seminary is to create opportunities for newly ordained priests and deacons to share their vocation story.</p>
2	Vocations	<p>Sample Prayers for Vocations</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in association with parishes and other Archdiocesan Offices (such as the Office of Formation for Discipleship, the Office of Public Relations and Communications, the Office of Catholic Youth, and the Office of Spiritual Affairs), will develop a plan for "Prayer for Vocations" which will include:</p> <p>c. The development and distribution of sample Prayers for Vocations to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. before parish meetings ii. at gatherings in youth ministry iii. by the sick and the housebound iv. in the context of the Rosary and the Liturgy of the hours v. in schools.
2	Vocations	<p>Establishment of Perpetual Adoration Chapels</p> <p>1. An Archdiocesan policy is to be developed so that several Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapels will be established dedicated to Prayer for Vocations (at least one per Region).</p>
2	Vocations	<p>Fostering Vocation Awareness in Schools</p> <p>1. The promotion of vocation awareness is to be fostered in Catholic schools through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The establishment of an Archdiocesan/School Board Liaison Committee composed of representatives of the Archdiocese and representatives of the English and French language Catholic School Boards. b. The regular presence of priests and religious in schools. c. Informal gatherings that foster dialogue about vocations between young people, seminarians and younger priests.

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3	Vocations	<p>Promotion of Vocations Awareness Programs</p> <p>1. The Office of Vocations in association with parishes and other Archdiocesan Offices (such as the Office of Formation for Discipleship, the Office of Public Relations and Communications, the Office of Catholic Youth, and the Office of Spiritual Affairs), will develop a plan for “Prayer for Vocations” which will include:</p> <p>d. The promotion of vocation awareness programs such as:</p> <p>i. the “travelling chalice”</p> <p>ii. the St. Therese Vocation Society.</p>
3	Vocations	<p>Parish Committee for Vocations</p> <p>1. Each parish in the Archdiocese is to have a Vocations Committee that is a subcommittee of the Pastoral Council.</p>
3	Vocations	<p>Evaluation of the Needs of Lay Formation</p> <p>1. An Archdiocesan study will be conducted to:</p> <p>a. evaluate the current state of lay formation in youth ministry and lay pastoral ministry</p> <p>b. determine what new models of training are needed.</p> <p>2. St. Augustine’s Seminary and other Theological Faculties will develop training based on the results of the Archdiocesan study.</p> <p>3. With the support of Archdiocesan Offices such as the Office of Human Resources, Office of Formation for Discipleship etc., parishes will evaluate (individually or in groups) what resources, training and talent are needed to fulfill their lay pastoral ministry requirements.</p>