

MONSTRANCE FOR VOCATIONS Dean FAQ Sheet

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this archdiocesan project to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life!

1. What is the Monstrance for Vocations?

At the Chrism Mass on Thursday, March 21, 2013, The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle, blessed the Monstrance for Vocations. The Monstrance will spent the next six years traveling throughout the archdiocese visiting every parish and mission to facilitate prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. After a pause during the pandemic, the monstrance is ready to travel again!

2. How do I schedule the Monstrance in my Deanery?

As dean, we recommend that you introduce the Monstrance for Vocations project at your Deanery meeting. Work with the parishes/missions in your deanery to organize a schedule that will work for all of you. We recommend for each parish and/or mission to have the monstrance for 1 week. **After you have organized the schedule please email a copy to Kathleen Koeneman in the Vocations Office, kathleen.koeneman@seattlearch.org.**

3. What should each parish do when they have the Monstrance?

At minimum, while the monstrance is in a parish and/or mission, we recommend organizing at least one Holy Hour praying for vocations. Of course, parishes are encouraged to have as many parishioners attend as possible and perhaps those who might be discerning a vocation to priesthood or religious life. Every parish is welcome and encouraged to do more than this, especially if they already have regular adoration or would like to organize a procession/other events as well.

4. What resources are provided to each parish?

We provide the monstrance. Also included are resources intended for planning a parish and/or mission's time of prayer. Parishes can find printable files and other resources at:

<https://archseattle.org/living-catholic/god-is-calling-you-vocations/vocations-resources/>

5. How is the Monstrance transported between parishes?

We encourage you to coordinate with staff members between parishes.

Other questions? Please feel free to contact

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