

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations is observed each year on the Fourth Sunday of Easter also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday". The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (cf. Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.



## **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations**

Presided by Most Rev. Richard J. Gagnon at Saint Anthony of Padua Church 250 Burrin Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba

> "Good Shepherd Sunday" April 30, 2023 7:00 p.m.