Conclusion

Leader: Jesus, Lord of the harvest,

(All): Send holy laborers into your Church.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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Parish Vocation Chalice Box Diocese of Salt Lake City

Thank you for hosting the Vocation Chalice Box in your home this week.

As you pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life, we pray that God may bless you and your family abundantly and you may experience God's love.

(If praying together as a family or in a group):

Choose a different member of your family to lead the prayers and the litany each day, and another member of your family to read the scripture passage.

(If praying alone):

Lead this prayer yourself, knowing the Church accompanies you in your prayer for vocations.

Prayer for Vocations

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Daily Prayer

(Prayer of St. Pope John Paul II for Vocations)

Lord Jesus, as once you called the first disciples and made them fishers of men, continue to let resound today Your sweet invitation: "Come and follow me."

Grant to men and women in our day the grace and trust to respond to Your voice.

Sustain our bishops, priests and consecrated souls in their apostolic work.

Give perseverance to our seminarians and to all those living a life of total consecration to Your service.

Enkindle in our communities a missionary zeal.

Send, Lord, workers into Your fields to feed and guide Your flock as Good Shepherds in imitation of You.

Mary, Mother of the Church, Model of Vocations, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord who calls each one of us to play our part in His plan of salvation.

Amen.

That we may zealously pray for and promote vocations,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

That those who are being called to be priests and religious might respond generously,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

The harvest is great but the laborers are few.

We beg you, Lord: send out laborers for Your harvest.

Daily Closing Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

(All): Jesus, Lord of the harvest, look with love on this portion of your vineyard.

Bless the Diocese of Salt Lake City with more priests, deacons, and religious to serve your people.

Through the intercession of Our Lady, the Virgin Mary, inspire many men and women to open their hearts to respond generously to your call.

Amen.

Through the prayers and sacrifices of your people, send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through the power of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through the intercession of all the saints and angels,

send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through the sanctification of the family,

send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through parents being generously open to life, send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through the example of holy priests and religious, send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through a renewed fidelity to our Catholic Faith, send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

That young people might seek the truth of Christ,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

That young people might always seek God's will,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

That young people might hear the call to give their lives for the mission of the Church,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

That all priests and religious might be renewed in the spirit of the new evangelization,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

That bishops have the grace to be courageous shepherds,

O Lord of the harvest, graciously hear us.

Scripture Reading

Day 1

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew:

"Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness. At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."" (Matthew 9: 35-38)

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** (*All*):

Our Father

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

<u>Day 2</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John:

"The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God.' The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.'

So, they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, 'You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter)." (John 1: 35-42)

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

Holy Virgin of Virgins, pray for us.

Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St. Michael, leader of the heavenly host,

pray for us.

St. Gabriel, messenger of the divine plan,

pray for us.

St. Raphael, companion for the journey,

pray for us.

All you holy angels and archangels,

pray for us.

St. Joseph, protector of the Holy Church,

pray for us.

St. Mary Magdalene, patroness of the Diocese of Salt Lake City,

pray for us.

St. John Vianney, patron of priests,

pray for us.

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, patron of youth,

pray for us.

St. Alphonsus Liguori, patron of vocations,

pray for us.

St. Charles Borromeo, patron of seminarians,

pray for us.

St. John Berchmans, patron of altar servers,

pray for us.

St. Maria Goretti, patron of teenagers,

pray for us.

St. Carlo Acutis, patron of the Internet,

pray for us.

All you holy men and women of God,

pray for us.

Through your mercy,

send workers into Your harvest, O Lord.

Through your kindness, send workers into Your

harvest, O Lord.

And the angel said to her in reply, 'The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God.' Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her." (Luke 1: 26-38)

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

Daily Litany for Vocations

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the

world,

have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,

have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God,

have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,

pray for us.

Holy Mother of God,

pray for us.

Day 3

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew:

"As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him. He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him." (Matthew 4: 18-22)

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

Day 4

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah:

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." 'Ah, Lord God!' I said, 'I do not know how to speak. I am too young!' But the Lord answered me, 'Do not say, "I am too young." To whomever I send you, you shall go; whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you—oracle of the Lord." (Jeremiah 1: 5-8)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

<u>Day 5</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark:

"As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, 'Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus answered him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother."

He replied and said to him, "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, 'You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions."" (Mark 10: 17-22)

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

<u>Day 6</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew:

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay everyone according to his conduct. Amen, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom." (Matthew 16: 24-28)

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory Be....

<u>Day 7</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

"In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, 'Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you.' But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' But Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?'