

OFFICE OF PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

MEMORANDUM

To: Pastor

From: Fr. Mémo Hernández Director of Vocations

Date: April 18, 2022

Re: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites you to celebrate the 59th Anniversary of the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations on May 8, 2022.*

The following is the message from Pope Francis in 2021 regarding World Day of Prayer for Vocations. If possible, please share this information on the website of your parish, with ministries and others in the community:

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/vocations/documents/papa-francesco_20210319_58-messaggio-giornata-mondiale-vocazioni.html

In addition, you can find resources on our website at <u>www.scd.org/vocations</u>. You can also visit the following websites for more ideas, such as USCCB (<u>www.usccb.org</u>), NRVC - National Religious Vocation Conference (<u>https://nrvc.net/</u>), Vocation Network (<u>http://www.vocationnetwork.org/</u>), Vocation Ministry (<u>https://vocationministry.com/</u>) and Vianney V<u>ocations (www.VianneyVoca</u>tions.com).

Please find the suggested bulletin ad from the USCCB for your bulletin:

World Day of Prayer will be observed on *Sunday, May 8, 2022* 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 laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.

Thank you!

cc: Parish Vocation Committees Religious Education Programs