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OFFICE OF PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

MEMORANDUM

To: Pastor, Director/Coordinator of Religious Education, Knights of Columbus, Parish Vocation Committee, Parish Secretary, Youth & Young Adult Ministers

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Date: September 30, 2022

Subject: National Vocation Awareness Week Information

National Vocation Awareness Week is from November 6-12, 2022. We are preparing for National Vocation Awareness Week in November, please consider including an ad in your bulletin to help create awareness for vocations.

The following is the suggested bulletin ad:

"National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 6-12, 2022. Please ask
Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be
inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of
vocation." (www.usccb.org)

The following are other tips and ideas for you:

- 1) Holy Hour for Vocations during National Vocation Awareness Week: We encourage Parish Vocation Committees to organize a Holy Hour for vocations for the youth at your parish with the support of your pastor. If there is not a Parish Vocation Committee ministry at your parish, we invite the religious education program, youth ministry and/or altar server ministry to consider organizing this event.
- 2) Rosary for Vocations: We encourage Parish Vocation Committees or religious education programs and youth ministry to organize these.
- **3) Priests,** this is an opportunity for you to share your vocation story. Young people love hearing why you are a priest!
- **4)** Include a copy of the Vianney Vocations Insert provided to the pastors regarding National Vocations Awareness Week in the parish bulletin.

You may find more resources at the <u>USCCB - National Vocations Awareness Week 2022</u>, <u>NRVC - National</u> <u>Religious Vocations Conference</u>, <u>Vision Vocation Network</u>, <u>Vocations and Prayer</u>, <u>Vocations Ministry</u> and <u>Vianney Vocations</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact our website.