

Saturday

- A.) Opening Blessing: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
- B.) Opening Prayer

Family Vocation Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank you for giving your life for us. Please help more young people to follow your example by giving their lives in service as Priests and Religious. If you are calling someone in our family to the Priesthood or the Religious Life, please help them to say, "yes". Amen.

- C.) Read the following passage

Matthew 19:16-30 The Rich Young Man
(See Appendix III for Reading)

- D.) Reflection: Take a few minutes for quiet reflection and discussion of the scriptural passage.

- E.) Intercessory Prayer

Leader: That our Priests and Religious Men and Women may find refuge in Mary, the Mother of God, as she intercedes for them before the Father, who in turn through the power of His Spirit forms them into the image of His only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those in seminaries and religious formation programs, that they may know the support and love of our community as they continue to discern God's call, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those priests from whom we or our parents have received the Sacrament of Matrimony (pause and remember them by name), we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

- F.) Closing Prayer

Prayer for One's Own Vocation Heavenly Father, I believe in your wisdom and love. I believe you created me for heaven, marked out for me the way to reach it, and await me there to give me the reward of the faithful servant. Give me light and show me this way. Grant me the strength to follow it generously. I beg this of you, through Jesus Christ, your Son, and through Mary, my Queen and Mother. At the moment of death, may I be able to say with St. Paul: "I have finished the course. I have fought the good fight. Now there is laid up for me the crown of the just." Amen.

- Blessed James Alberione, S.S.P. (1884-1971)

Close with three recitations of The Hail Mary.