

The Parish Vocation Crucifix (Chalice) Program

overview

Each parish in the Archdiocese of Boston is encouraged to participate in the Vocation Crucifix or Vocation Chalice program. Why? Because the Vocation Crucifix (chalice) program responds to Jesus' command, "Pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for the harvest" (Mt: 9: 38). In addition, the Vocation Cross (chalice) program helps raise awareness of the need for vocations among the Catholic faithful. How does the Vocation Cross (Chalice) program work? Each Sunday a family, couple or individual comes forward at the end of mass to receive the vocation cross (chalice) and prayers. In taking the cross (chalice) they commit themselves to pray during the week for vocations for priests, religious sisters and brothers, deacons and lay ecclesial ministers. At the end of the week they return the cross (chalice) and prayers before the start of mass the following week so that other parishioners can participate. This occurs week after week. Each parish participating in the program will receive one Vocation Cross and prayer materials. Prayer materials can also be found at www.VocationsBoston.org