

Sacraments of Vocation



The Community, its Life and Ministry

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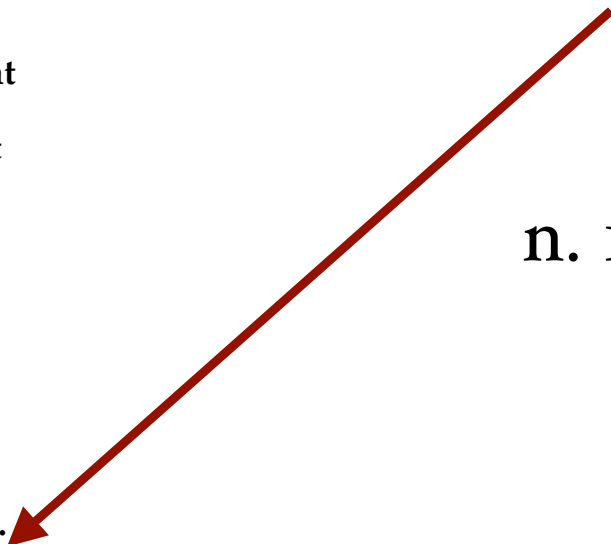
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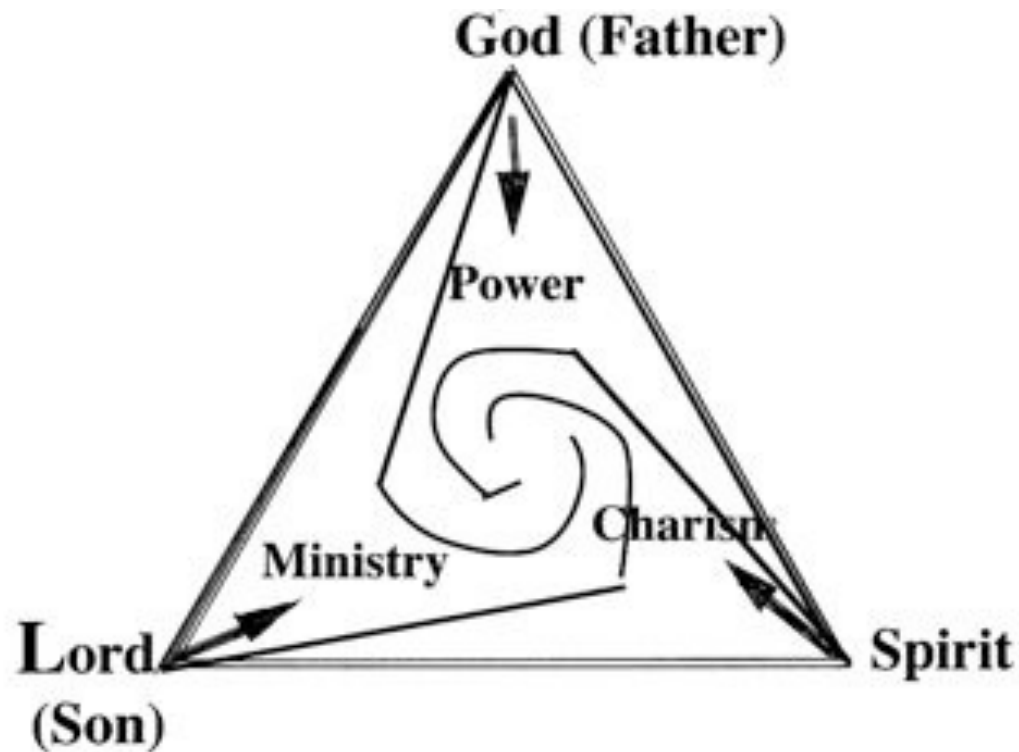
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VOCATION (vocare – to call)

1. God calls each person to ‘live and to live to the full’(John 10:10).
2. God offers each person all the grace needed to do this, but God respects our freedom to accept or to reject grace.
3. Each person’s vocation is unique, and is related to gifts, opportunities, environment, education, and experiences.
4. The call is never withdrawn, and we can only start out afresh from where we now are.

There are varieties of gifts, but the same **Spirit**; and there are varieties of ministries, but the same **Lord**; and there are varieties of ways of energising, but it is the same **God** who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good'(1Cor 12:4-7).



CAREER or VOCATION ?

Something we ‘do’ – a job. It can be changed without really affecting our identity. It is temporary – however long term – and will end, leaving us as the same person.

Something that influences our whole life. It affects the way we look at the world and the things we do. It alters our attitude to love and affects our relationship with others, with Christ and with the Church.

COMMUNITY

A group of people in **communion**,
sharing a **common** interest.

Size doesn't matter. You can have a
community of two or a community of
millions – it's the common interest that
counts!

Community in the Early Church

Acts 2:44-47

‘All who shared the faith owned everything in common, they sold their goods and possessions and distributed them among themselves and distributed the proceeds according to what each one needed.

Each day, with one heart, they regularly went to the Temple but met in their houses for the breaking of bread they praised God and were looked up to by everyone.’

Community in Today's Church - The Parish









The Church without Community – Beauty without Life!





Ministry

When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments again Jesus went back to the table. “Do you understand what I have done to you?” he said. “You call me Master and Lord, and rightly; so I am. If I, then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you must wash each other’s feet. I have given you an example so that you may copy what I have done to you.” [\(John 13 12-15\)](#)

Giving service!

‘Lay’ Ministries

- At Mass
 - Acolyte
 - Server
 - Reader
 - Special Minister
 - Choir/Musicians
 - Children’s Liturgy
 - Liturgy Committee
 - Collector
 - Greeter
 - Bookseller
 - Altar Society
 - Flowers
 - Weekly Bulletin
(Compact!)
- In the Community
 - Parish Pastoral Council
 - Parish Coordinator
 - Parish Secretary
 - Neighbourhood Contact
 - St Vincent de Paul
 - Refugee Resettlement
 - Caring Connections
 - Family Groups/Teams/CWL
 - Over 45’s/ Youth Group
 - RCIA/Catholics Returning Home
 - Librarian
 - Church/Grounds Maintenance
 - Finance Committee
 - Money Counting

‘Parish extends beyond the walls of the Church’



Life Ministries

- Married Life
- Single Life
- Religious Life
 - Sisters
 - Brothers
- Married Diaconate
- Priesthood

Institutes of clerical religious

- African Mission Fathers (SMA)
- Antonine Monks (Maronite) (OAM)
- Augustinians OSA)
- Benedictine Monks (OSB)
- Blessed Sacrament Fathers (SSS)
- Camillians (OSCarm)
- Capuchin Franciscan Friars (OFMCap)
- Carmelite Friars (OCD + OCarm)
- Cistercian Monks (OCSO)
- Claretians (CMF)
- Divine Word Missionaries (SVD)
- Dominicans (OP)
- Franciscan Friars (OFM)
- Jesuits (SJ)
- Lebanese Maronites OLM + CLMM)
- Legionaries of Christ (LC)
- Marian Fathers (MIC)
- Marist Fathers (SM)
- Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)
- Norbertine Canons (OPraem)
- Oblates (OMI)
- Order of Friars Minor Conventual (OFMConv)
- Pallotines (SAC)
- Passionists (CP)
- Pauline Fathers (OSPPE)
- Paulists (MSSP)
- Redemptorists (CSsR)
- Resurrection Fathers (CR)
- Salesians (SDB)
- Salvatorian Fathers (SDS)
- Scalabrinian Fathers (CS)
- Servite Friars (OSM)
- Society of Christ (SChr)
- Society of St Paul (SSP)
- Spiritans (CSSp)

Institutes of Religious Brothers

- Christian Brothers (CFC)
- De La Salle Brothers (FSC)
- Marist Brothers FMS)
- Patrician Brothers (FSP)
- St John of God Brothers (OH)

Institutes of Religious Women

FCJ

- Adoration Sisters (RPA)
- Antonine Sisters
- Augustinian Sisters (3) (AR & OSA)
- Basilian Nuns (OSBM)
- Benedictine Nuns (2) (OSB)
- Blessed Sacrament Sisters (SSS)
- Brigidines (CSB)
- Canossian Sisters FdCC)
- Carmelite Nuns
- Cenacle Sisters
- Charity, Sisters of (RSC)
- Cluny Sisters (SJC)
- Compassion, Sisters of
- Daughters of Divine Zeal (FDZ)
- Daughters of St Paul (FSP)
- Dominican Sisters (4) (OP)
- Family Care Sisters
- Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ)

- Franciscan (4) FMM, FMDM, FSSA
- Good Samaritan Sisters (SGS)
- Good Shepherd Sisters (RGS)
- Handmaids of Our Lord (AD)
- Holy Angles, Sisters of (CHA)
- Holy Faith Sisters (CHF)
- Holy Family, Sisters of (OHF)
- Holy Spirit Sisters (SSpS)
- Little Company of Mary (LCM)
- Little Sisters of Jesus (LSJ)
- Little Sisters of the Poor (LSP)
- Loreto Sisters (IBVM)
- Marist Missionary Sisters (SMSM)
- Marist Sisters (SM)
- Maronite Sisters MSHF)
- Mercy Sisters (RSM)
- Missionaries of Charity (MC)
- Missionary Sisters of Service (MSS)
- Missionary Sisters of BVM (CMR)

Institutes of Religious Women continued

- Mission Sisters of Peter Claver (SSPC)
- Missionary Sisters of SH - Cabrini
- MSC Sisters (MSC)
- Nazareth, Sisters of (CSN)
- OLSH Sisters (FDNSC)
- Our Lady Help of Christians (OLHC)
- Our Lady's Nurses of the Poor (OLN)
- Passionist Sisters (CP)
- Pastorelle Sisters SJGS)
- Poor Clares (3) (PCC & OSC)
- Presentation Sisters (PBVM)
- Redemptoristines (OSsR)
- Religious of the Sacred Heart (RSCJ)
- Resurrection Sisters (CR)
- Salesian Sisters (FMA)
- Servite Sisters (OSM)
- Sion Sisters (NDS)
- Sister Disciples of the Divine Master (PDDM)
- Sister Adorers of Blood of Christ (ASC)
- Sisters of Charity of St Anne
- Sisters of O L of Missions (RNDM)
- Sisters of St John of God (SJG)
- Sisters of St Joseph (4) (RSJ)
- Sisters of St Paul of Chartres (SPC)
- Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate (SSMI)
- Tyburn Nuns (OSB)
- Ursuline Sisters (2) (OSU & OMSC)

1992 - 16,000 Religious

2006 - 8,000

Secular Institutes

- Missionary of the kingship of Christ
- Society of Christian Doctrine
- Schönstatt Fathers
- Schönstatt Institute for Diocesan Priests
- Schönstatt Sisters of Mary
- Servitum Christi

Societies of Apostolic Life

- Columban Fathers
- Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul
- Leaven of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- Mill Hill Missionaries
- Oblate Apostles of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary
- Priestly Fraternity of St Peter
- Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity
- Vincentians

Joseph's Lullaby

Michael Crawford

Mary,
are you sleeping?
Mary, I'm afraid
Mary, can I live up to
the choice that
God has made?
Jesus, can You tell me
here upon my knee
What kind of father
will I be?

