

Vocation Bulletin Blurbs

First Sunday of Advent 2022 to Feast of Christ the King 2023

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Attn: Bulletin Editor and Parish Vocation Promoter

First Sunday of Advent – November 27, 2022

“They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks....” If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Second Sunday of Advent – December 4, 2022

Are you called to be “A herald’s voice in the desert” preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Third Sunday of Advent – December 11, 2022

“I send my messenger ahead of you to prepare your way before you.” Are you called to be sent by Jesus as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 18, 2022

“When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord directed him.” Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord – December 25, 2022

“He gave power to become children of God.” If you think you may be called to share the Father’s love as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God – January 1, 2023

“God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts.” If the Spirit of Jesus is prompting you to love and serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord – January 8, 2023

“And after they came into the house, they saw the Child with His mother Mary; and they fell down and worshiped Him.” God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy and worship Him through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 15, 2023

“To you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people.” Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to consider priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 22, 2023

“Repent! The kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 29, 2023 - World Day for Consecrated Life – February 2nd

“Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters...” We are all called to bear witness to Christ in our lives. Could you be called to do so as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 5, 2023

“Let your light shine before others” Shine your light on those closest to you, especially your spouse and family! Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 12, 2023 - World Marriage Day

Catholics believe marriage to be a sacrament. By this we mean that the faithful love of husband and wife is a sign of Christ’s lasting love for us. On this World Marriage Day, let us pray that those who are married seek to bring each other closer to heaven each day.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 19, 2023

“Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?” Cooperate with the Holy Spirit to discern God’s will. Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

First Sunday of Lent – February 26, 2023

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Second Sunday of Lent – March 5, 2023

“He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design...” If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Third Sunday of Lent – March 12, 2023

“But whoever drinks the water I shall give, will never thirst.” Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 19, 2023

“...if someone is God-fearing and does His will, He listens to him.” Are you being called to do the deeds of Christ as a priest or in the consecrated life, proclaiming the reign of the loving mercy of God our Father? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 26, 2023

“Did I not assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” Do you believe Christ may be calling you to see the glory of the Blessed Trinity through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion – April 2, 2023

“Truly, this was the Son of God!” Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think this may be so, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

The Resurrection of the Lord – April 9, 2023

“Christ indeed from death is risen...” Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. If you think God may be inviting you to such a vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Second Sunday of Easter – April 16, 2023 – Uplift your Priest week starts April 17th

“Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” Is God inviting you to live the gift and mystery of being sent as priest, sister or brother to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Third Sunday of Easter – April 23, 2023

Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? Perhaps you are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. If you are considering this possibility, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 30, 2023 – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 7, 2023

“If you know me, then you will also know my Father.” Are you being called to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you are considering this possibility, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 14, 2023

“And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Seventh Sunday of Easter – May 21, 2023 – Solemnity of the Ascension

“And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth.” If you think God may be offering you the grace of serving Him and His people as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of Pentecost – May 28, 2023

“Receive the Holy Spirit.” If you think God may be offering you the grace of cooperating with the Holy Spirit by serving Him and His people as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity – June 4, 2023

“God so loved the world, He gave His only Son.” How can you give yourself to God the Father in a response to that love? Could God be calling you to live His love as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – June 11, 2023 - Sacred Heart of Jesus/World Priest Day aka World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests - June 16th

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His body as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be among them? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 18, 2023

“And as you go, preach, saying the ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’” How has Jesus called you to help Him build his Church? If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 25, 2023

“Be not afraid.” Do not fear how Jesus is calling you to build his Church. Pray for clarity in your discernment. If you need help discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 2, 2023

“He that shall lose his life for me, shall find it.” Find your life by answering God’s call in your life. Seek him as you strive for holiness. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 9, 2023

“You are in the spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.” Is the Holy Spirit leading you or someone you know to serve Christ and His Church as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 16, 2023

“Whoever has ears ought to hear.” Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 23, 2023

“The Spirit too helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought.” Do you approach the Lord in prayer with the confident strength given by the Holy Spirit asking that He make known your unique vocation? If God may be inviting you to consider the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 30, 2023

“Whatever you ask I shall give you.” Ask in prayer to know your vocation! Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! If you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord – August 6, 2023

“This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” Are you being called to help the Lord feed His people with the truth of His gospel as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be calling you to serve Him more closely, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 13, 2023

“Take courage, it is I. Do not be afraid!” Uncertainty can sometimes bring fear along with God’s call to consecrated life or priesthood. If the Lord is truly calling you, what is needed is trust. If you are discerning your

vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 20, 2023

“Woman, you have great faith.” It takes faith to hear God’s call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 27, 2023

“Who has known the mind of the Lord?” Through prayer our minds become better aligned with the mind of Christ and His will for us. If the Spirit is prompting you to know Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 3, 2023

“What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?” Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 10, 2023

“Where two or three are gathered in My name ...” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 17, 2023

“...therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.” Are you called to bring faith in Christ and eternal life to others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 24, 2023 - *Priesthood Sunday*

“Seek the Lord while He may be found...” While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 1, 2023

“He humbled Himself and became obedient...” If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 8, 2023 – *Deacon Sunday*

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Do not be anxious about discerning your vocation. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 15, 2023

“Many are called, but few are chosen.” Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 22, 2023

“...for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.” You belong to Christ and Christ is God’s! How will you respond to so great a love? Is He asking

you to follow Him by serving in the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 29, 2023

“Love God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind.” Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 5, 2023 - National Vocations Awareness Week

Pray for those who are discerning a call to proclaim the hope of the Resurrection as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 12, 2023

“Then we who are alive, who remain, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.” Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life to lead others to the Lord. Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 19, 2023 - World Day of Cloistered Life - November 21

“Well done, good and faithful servant...” How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – November 26, 2023

“I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink.” Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org