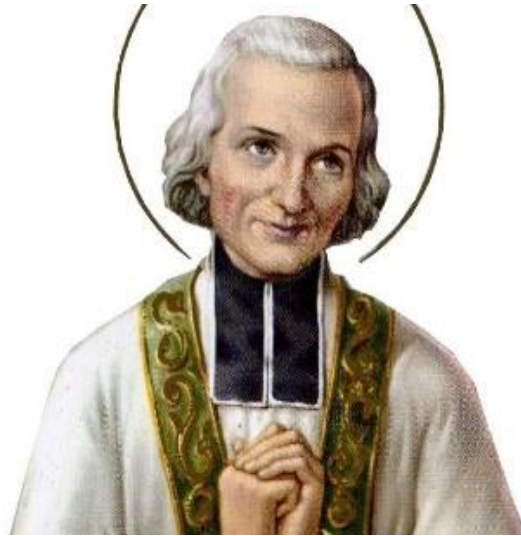


Novena to St. John Vianney for Priestly Vocations



**Please join your fellow parishioners in praying this novena
Sunday, July 27th -August 4th for a substantial increase of
Vocations in the Diocese of Tucson.**

Priestly Vocations Novena Day 1

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, you were blessed with a loving and devout family who supported your desire to increase your faith and devote yourself fully towards imitating the life of our Lord Jesus Christ. In your quest to pursue your holy vocation, you were not deterred by the many obstacles that came your way. Your strong faith carried you through all of life's trials to your place in God's kingdom.

Obtain for me the same courage and faith that allowed you to give all to God without counting the cost. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide me to the right decisions that will best serve God and my neighbor.

Believing in the power of your kind intercession, I humbly ask you to pray for all priests and an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

St. John Vianney, Priest of Ars, pray for our priests, and pray for us. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Priestly Vocations Novena Day 2

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, you dedicated your life towards saving souls for the greater glory of God. You were even blessed with an almost supernatural ability to obtain funds to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ. You freely gave of yourself in imitation of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Teach me also to see God in each person regardless of their station in life, and despite any wrongs they may have done to me.

Help me to see service to my fellow men as a responsibility that I need to fulfill, to gain a chance to live with you, with our Lord, and all the saints for all eternity.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 3

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Saint John Vianney, your successful journey to the priesthood is a testament to your determination to serve our Lord Jesus Christ. Your life as a priest is a shining example of what we should expect from the chosen leaders of God's flock. Your perseverance in the face of many hardships has saved numerous souls.

By contemplating your life, may I be imbued with the same determination to be the best that I can be in the many roles I play in life. Let everything I think, say or do benefit my neighbor and lead me ever closer to our Heavenly Father.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 4

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Saint John Vianney, when you saw social ills and sin in your parish, you sparked moral and spiritual renewal through your homilies and work in the confessional. Your unrelenting efforts to win back souls to God's grace has caused many to repent. By your soft words you were able to convert many sinners like me.

Pray for me that God may bless me with the same outrage for sin and for me to have the compassion for sinners as you did. Let me choose my words carefully, lest I cause injury to my brothers. Inspire me to regularly seek reconciliation with our Heavenly Father through the worthy reception of the sacraments,

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 5

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Saint John Vianney, God's grace saw you through all the trying moments of your life.

Inspired by the example of our Lord Jesus Christ, you sacrificed your entire life in order to serve him fully. Your complete trust and surrender to His will allowed you to enter priesthood in spite of the many trials you had to endure

Obtain for me the same complete trust in the will of God, that will allow me to see hardships and trials as sacrifices I need to joyfully accept in His name. Let my anxieties and uncertainties be replaced by great faith in our Heavenly Father who is the source of all that is good.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 6

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Saint John Vianney, you rejoiced at every opportunity to spend time in prayers and contemplation. Your dedication was such that, had it not been for practical considerations, your bishop would have granted your wish to be a monk.

Teach me the power of prayer, that I may slowly understand God's will for me. Obtain for me the conviction that through fervent prayer, nothing is impossible.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 7

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Saint John Vianney, in life you have shown your veneration of the Blessed Sacrament. To this end you spent long hours in the confessional to help the faithful become worthy to receive the holy sacraments.

Obtain for me the fervent desire to always remain worthy to receive the holy sacraments that I may also one day be rewarded with God's favor and spend life in His kingdom with all the saints for all eternity.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 8

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

St. John Vianney, you lived a simple and austere life, preferring to store riches in heaven. You never turned your back to any of the poor people needing your assistance.

Pray that the Holy Spirit enlighten me and remain with me always so that I too may learn to forego material possessions to earn God's grace. May I always value my spiritual health over all the wealth in the world.

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Priestly Vocations Novena Day 9

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

St. John Vianney, you never let an opportunity to enlighten people and save souls pass you by. Through your efforts, many people have experienced moral and spiritual renewal.

Pray that God grant me the same zeal to make His love known to all my neighbors, so that all of us may learn to despise all forms of sin. Let all my actions reveal an awakened love of God by through my interactions with my fellow men.

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