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VOCATION FAQ'S:

We want our child to be successful.

If you measure success by money, children, or other goals toward a secular life, then in your eyes your child will not be successful. If you measure success through eternal truth and spiritual realities, then priority number should be that we follow God's will. Priests and religious hold an indispensable role in the Church. Their commitment of celibacy for the kingdom is a sign to all of us that the first union we are "all" called to is union with God. The successes of a good priest or consecrated religious echo through all of eternity, long after riches, possessions, and opinions have passed.

Monthly tip for building the Church at home...

Have a crucifix in a prominent place in the home, and in every bedroom, as a reminder that self-sacrifice is the true example of love.



Prayer for Vocations: Heavenly Father, bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Through the intercession of our Lady of Perpetual Help, grant to those you have called the willingness and generosity of spirit to give themselves in devoting their lives and their talents to the service of our Lord and to his Church. Increase the faith of all within our diocese, and particularly the faith of those you have called and will continue to call to serve your people. Help each of us be good stewards of the gift or our vocation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**ABCs Of Fostering Vocations
(continued)**

- B:** Bring your family to the next ordination mass or prayer vigil for religious.
- C:** Cultivate an attitude of service by responding as a family to the needs of others. Seek out those in need and find ways to care for them.
- D:** Discuss your own vocation to family life, explaining that God calls some people to priesthood or religious life, some to marriage, and some to life as single laypeople. You can talk about vocations firsthand!

October Vocations Scripture: Matthew 9:35-38 – "...Ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

