

### **Parents' Prayer for Vocations**

O God, grant that from among our children, whom You have given us,  
You would raise up a priest, a brother, or a sister dedicated wholly to You,  
for the contemplation of Your glory,  
the service of Your holy Church,  
and the benefit of the world. Amen.

### **A Mother's Prayer**

O God, grant that at least one of our sons may become a priest or religious brother,  
and one of our daughters a religious sister.  
We ourselves want to live as good Christians  
and to guide our children always to do what is right,  
so that we may receive Thy grace, O God,  
to be allowed to give Thee a holy priest, brother, or sister. Amen.

*(The above is based on a prayer recited by the mothers of **La Monferrato**, Italy. This tiny town produced 323 priests and religious in the space of about 50 years.)*

### **Prayer for Vocations**

O God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless the Church  
with many priests, brothers, and sisters,  
who will love Thee with their whole hearts,  
be faithful to their vocations,  
and gladly spend their entire lives  
to teach Thy truths,  
serve Thy Church,  
and make Thee known and loved.  
Choose from our own homes those who are needed for Thy work.  
O Mary, Queen of priestly and religious vocations,  
pray for us, pray for our priests, seminarians, and religious,  
and obtain for us the grace of many more. Amen.

### **Prayer for Discerning a Vocation**

*by St. Alphonsus Liguori*

My Lord Jesus Christ, who has died for my salvation,  
I implore Thee, through the merits of Thy Passion,  
to give me the light and strength to choose that state of life  
which is best for my salvation.  
And do thou, O my mother, Mary,  
obtain this grace for me by thy powerful intercession. Amen.