

MOMS' GROUP PRAYS FOR VOCATIONS TO COME FROM AMONG THEIR FAMILIES



A recently formed group of Catholic mothers in Rochester, New York has committed to praying regularly for the flourishing of vocations from within their own families.

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“We have to pray for our kids, for their vocations, to hear God’s call, what He’s asking of them,” said Janene Loughran, one of the organizers of the new Mothers of Lu prayer group in the Diocese of Rochester.

The idea began in June, at a picnic with families and seminarians in the diocese. Fr. Peter Van Lieshout, one of the co-directors of vocations for the diocese, told them about the Mothers of Lu in Italy, a group of moms in the late 1800s who would gather regularly in their small village and pray for priestly vocations to come from their own families. In the 65 years that followed, more than 300 priests and religious vocations came from among their children.

Several of the moms reflected on the priest’s words and felt strongly called to following the footsteps of the Mothers of Lu. “We all have a responsibility,” Loughran said. “There’s a shortage of priests everywhere. Our diocese is no exception, so what more can we do? It’s not what more can the vocations director do, what more can the diocese do, what more can the bishops do? The vocations will come out of families.”

This initial reflection led to a desire to create their own local group of mothers, praying for the vocations of their children.

As the Vocations Director, I encourage and invite parishioners of the Diocese of Prince George to do the same, gather a few moms and dads to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. One way could be to pray the rosary before or after Mass for this intention.

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