

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

(Format when priest is present)

Opening Song	
O Salutaris Hostia Quae caeli pandis ostium Bella premunt hostilia; Da robur, fer auxilium.	O Saving Victim opening wide The gate of heaven to all below. Our foes press on from every side; Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.
Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempiterna gloria: Qui vitam sine termino, Nobis donet in patria. Am	To Thy great name be endless praise Immortal Godhead, One in Three; Oh, grant us endless length of days, In our true native land with Thee. Amen.
Brief Introduction and I	nvitation to Prayer (priest or deacon)
Priest or Deacon:	In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
All:	Amen.
Priest or Deacon:	Lord we ask you to open our minds and hearts to your Spirit. Help all of us to be open and ever discerning of Your will for our lives. We pray that all of us may respond generously and lovingly to unique calling to a state of life that you have designed us to live and have planned for us. We pray to have hearts as Mary, always freely and joyfully saying "yes" to you in all your plans; that we may say with Mary "Be it done unto me according to your will, Lord!" We ask this through Christ our Lord,
All:	Amen.
Reading of Scripture (o	ne or two selections of readings can be chosen for this time)
Suggested readings:	Harvest is abundant (Lk 10:1–9) You didn't choose me, but I chose you (JN 15:16–17) Come and see (JN 1:35–39) Calling of Samuel (I Sm 3:1–10) Parable of the Five Talents (Mt 25:14–30) Joseph be not afraid to take Mary as your wife (Mt 1:18–25) Give your as a living sacrifice (Rm 12:1–2) Calling of Jeremiah (Jer 29:11–16/Jer 1:4–9) (any other fitting Scripture)

Silent Prayer and Possible Music (the Rosary may also be said here)

Benediction Hymn	
Tantum ergo Sacramentun Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Praestet fides supplementu Sensuum defectui.	Lo! the sacred Host we hail, Lo! oe'r ancient forms departing Newer rites of grace prevail;
Genitori, Genitoque Laus et iubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen.	Forth from each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing,
Priest or Deacon:	You have given the Bread from Heaven.
All:	Having all sweetness within it.
Priest or Deacon:	Let us pray.
	Lord Jesus Christ, You gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of Your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of Your body and blood help us to experience the salvation You won for us and the peace of the kingdom where You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
All:	Amen.
Divine Praises	
Priest or Deacon:	Blessed be God. Blessed be His Holy Name. Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man. Blessed be the Name of Jesus. Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart. Blessed be His Most Precious Blood. Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete. Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy. Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception. Blessed be her glorious Assumption. Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother. Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse. Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints. Amen.

Closing Song

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Other songs that may be sung: Be not Afraid; Here I am, Lord; Lord Whose Love in Humble Service; Servant Song; Ubi Caritas; Where Charity and Love Prevail, (or other fitting songs).

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