

Vivat Iesus!

My brother Knights, my name is JJ Huber. I am a seminarian for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. I am in my second year of Philosophy studies at St. Meinrad seminary in Southern Indiana. I have been asked to explore additional ways in which we can further involve the Knights of Columbus in a real and intentional manner in encouraging vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life in the Archdiocese.

In 2006 on the 43<sup>rd</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Benedict XVI remarked, "where people pray fervently, vocations flourish." Ask any seminarian and they will tell you their vocation was born from lives of prayer, and usually not their own prayer! These prayers often come from a seminarian's family and community more than himself. I implore you (and thank you if you already are!) as a brother Knight to please, please, please, make praying for vocations an intentional part of your ministry at your local Councils and individual prayer lives!

Praying for vocations in your own individual prayers can be very straightforward. It is as simple as, "Lord, please grant our sons the strength to say 'yes' to your call in their lives."

Praying for vocations as a Council of Knights can be even more powerful. I ask that you seek ways to make this apart of your local Council's life. One of the most powerful ways men can pray together is in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

I have put together, borrowing from the USCCB and Vianney Vocations, a Holy Hour for Vocations tailored for use by Councils of the Knights of Columbus. It is attached to this letter. Also attached are steps on how to implement this at your local Councils and parishes. A quarterly Holy Hour, such as this, also fulfills one of the requirements for local KofC Councils outlined in the Supreme Council's "Faith in Action."

On behalf of the seminarians from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, I thank you so much for your support in all that you are already doing. The Knights are the strong right arm of the Church and I am proud to count myself among their number.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Vocations Office.

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In Christ,  
JJ Huber