



CALLED BY NAME

HELP US CULTIVATE THE NEXT GENERATION OF PRIESTS

FAQs

What is it?

An Archdiocesan-wide campaign for priestly vocations! Everyone is invited to help identify faithful young men (ages 15–35) who exhibit a love of God and neighbor, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood.

When is it?

It officially begins on Good Shepherd Sunday 2026 (April 25/26) and continues until June 5.

What can I do now?

Pray! Start prayerfully considering the men you think may have a priestly vocation. Pray all men who hear God's call are open to answering. Pray for more priests!

How do I nominate a man I think would be a good priest?

First, come to Mass on Good Shepherd Sunday (April 25/26) to hear our priests share about their vocations, their love of the priesthood, and the need for more priests. Then, using the in-pew card or online submission form, submit the man's name. There's no need to rush. Pray about it. You can submit names through June 5.

What happens to the names I submit?

The names will be collected by the Office of Priestly Vocations of the Archdiocese of Newark. Nominees will then receive a letter of encouragement from Cardinal Tobin, resources from the Vocations Office, and invitations to discernment events to more deeply explore the possibility of a call to the priesthood.

Why is it only for priests? What about sisters, brothers, etc.?

While vocations to religious and consecrated life are extremely important, *Called By Name* aligns with the *We Are His Witnesses* initiative currently underway in our Archdiocese. Thus, Cardinal Tobin is asking us to consider men for the priesthood to ensure the faithful of the Archdiocese continue to be served by good and holy priests.

How do I get updates about the results of Called By Name?

Keep up with the progress of the campaign by following @NewarkPriest on Facebook and Instagram, and subscribe to the Office of Priestly Vocations email newsletter at www.tinyurl.com/N-P-newsletter.

Thank you for your support and prayers for priestly vocations!

Lord, send us priests!

Lord, send us many priests!

Lord, send us many holy priests!

Amen.

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