



DIOCESE of  SAVANNAH

CALLED BY NAME

ENCOURAGING FUTURE CATHOLIC LEADERS

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR OCTOBER 14-15

Please read aloud at all Masses

Next weekend throughout the diocese is Called By Name Sunday: an initiative of the diocese to identify faithful young Catholic leaders.

Bishop Parkes has written a letter to us about this campaign, which we encourage you to read in our bulletin or social media pages. Next weekend, at every parish in the diocese, our priests will share their vocation stories: how they listened and responded to God's call. As part of this special weekend, the bishop is asking our participate in two ways:

First – Be open to God's call.

For those who are able – open your heart to serving in the Church, including the possibility of priesthood or religious life. Every vocation is a beautiful gift both to the Church and to those who are called. So be open and courageous if you hear the call.

Second – Think about young Catholic leaders.

Spend time this week thinking about young people in our parish who love God and the Church, who would make good leaders, possibly even good priests or sisters.

Next week at all of the Masses, we will have envelopes in the pews for you to submit names. Bishop Parkes will then send these young people a letter of encouragement and support, and our Vocation Director, Fr. Brett Brannen, will invite them to various events.

God is the one who calls, but He often uses our voice of encouragement to do so. With your help, we can make this Called By Name Sunday a great success that will bear fruit in our diocese for