**Angelus for Vocations**

**Leader:** Let us pray the Angelus as a prayer for a greater awareness of our own vocation, asking for guidance to understand and respond to God’s call. As a people, we pra for an increase of vocations, to the priesthood and consecrated life throughout the world. Hopefully, more men and women, will have the courage to follow the call to serve the Christian community.

**Leader:** The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

**All:** ***And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.***

**All**: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, Now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**Leader:** We pray for an increase in vocations throughout the Diocese of Derry. We pray also for our Bishop Donal, our priests and all those called to serve in the Church. May they continue to grow in charity, responding to their calling, by joyfully serving God in all that they say and do. We pray especially for those from our diocese who have begun their journey of formation towards priesthood and the religious life.

**Leader**: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

All: ***Be it done unto me according to thy word.***

**All**: Hail Mary …

**Leader**: We pray for the men and women of our parish, whom God is inviting to answer his call, to marriage, the single life, the priesthood or the religious life. May they be granted the strength and courage to hear God’s call and, through the support of their parish, their family and friends, answer that call with generosity.

**Leader:** And the Word was made flesh.

**All:** ***And dwelt among us.***

**All:** Hail Mary …

**Leader:** Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

**All:** ***That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.***

**Leader:** Let us pray.

**All:** ***Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.***