

## **Prayer for the Year of Consecrated Life**

O God, throughout the ages you have called women and men to pursue lives of perfect charity through the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

During this Year of Consecrated Life, we give you thanks for these courageous witnesses of Faith and models of inspiration. Their pursuit of holy lives teaches us to make a more perfect offering of ourselves to you.

Continue to enrich your Church by calling forth sons and daughters who, having found the pearl of great price, treasure the Kingdom of Heaven above all things.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

## **Prayer for the Year of Consecrated Life (recommended for use in parishes by Archbishop Eamon Martin)**

O God we thank you for the witness of those among us who have chosen a vocation to the consecrated life.

Continue to inspire some of our sons and daughters to serve you as religious sisters, brothers or priests.

Show us your plans for the renewal of faith in Ireland and give us all the grace we need to help wake up the world to your love.

Amen.

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<http://www.catholicbishops.ie/2014/12/09/year-consecrated-life/>