

Prayers of
the week -
Vocation



Monday 17th January

Lord,

You created us in love, and you put so much care into forming a plan for each of our hearts. Help us to have hearts full of love and amazement as your plan slowly unfolds in front of us, and in all things give us love, hope, faith, joy and courage.

Give us resilience and courage as we enter the third week of the Spring term.

St Joseph – Pray for us



Tuesday 18th January

Lord

Your Son asked for labourers to be sent to the vineyard, and in every generation so many men and women have responded generously to this call.

We pray for our priests, for our Bishop, and for everybody else who serves you in this way. Watch over them and keep them always in your love.

St Joseph – Pray for us



Wednesday 19th January

God our Father,

Help us to remember that when you were dividing up the important jobs, you didn't leave anybody out. Help us to remember that we were all chosen to make a difference and to rely on the fact that you are with us all the way.

St Joseph – Pray for us



Thursday 20th January

Let us pray in the words Christ gave us;

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come Thy will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses As we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Amen





The Friday thought – The Gospel of John



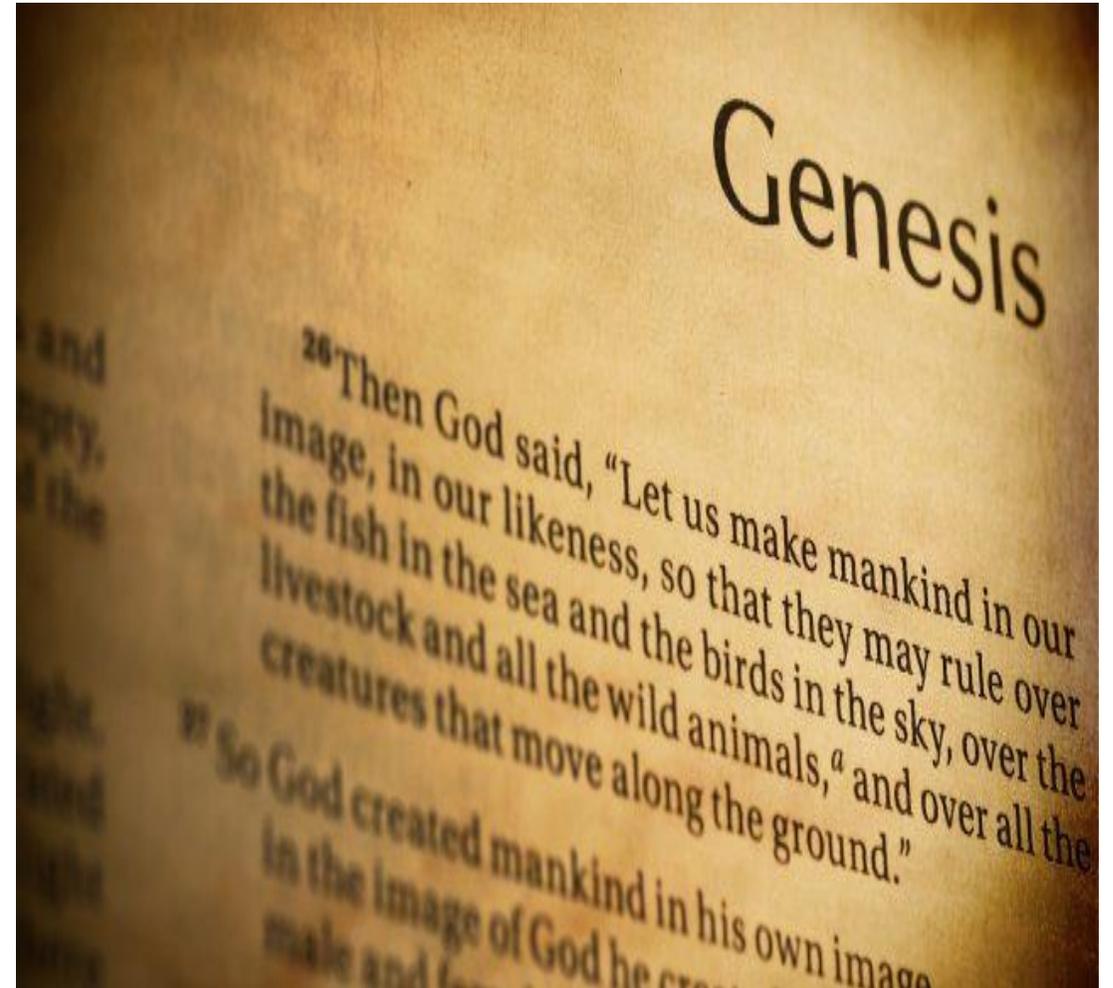
The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but for this I came baptising with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness, "I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him; but he who sent me to baptise with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptises with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."



Vocation, put simply, is a word that is just there to remind us that we all have a purpose. We were all created by a loving God who had an amazing plan for us.

How do you feel to hear that you have a vocation? How does it feel to know that there is a plan for you? Does it make you feel better about yourself? Does it say anything to you about those times when you feel a little bit weak or useless?

As you grow and move through life God's plan for you, your vocation, will slowly unfold. You will have a lot of fun as you figure out more and more about what it is .



Final thought.....