



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

January 9-15, 2011

General Intercessions

Presider: Trusting that we are *avored by God*, we present our needs to God and open our hearts to receive blessings. Let us pray:

Response: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Alternative: **Loving God, bless your people!**

- For world and church leaders (pause):
Direct them in their peacemaking efforts.
We pray:
- For married couples and all families (pause):
Strengthen the bonds of love that unite them together.
We pray:
- For single men and women (pause):
Enrich them with insight and compassion.
We pray:
- For priests, sisters, brothers, deacons, and all Church ministers (pause):
Inspire them to give witness to your gospel with integrity.
We pray:
- For those who are discerning their vocation (pause):
Open their hearts to your call and give them courage to respond generously. We pray:
- For the sick, for those who have died and for their caregivers:
Comfort and console them through these difficult times.
We pray:

Presider: Loving God,
Bless us, your favored ones, that we may serve you better.
We ask this through Jesus, your Beloved Son. Amen.