

Holy Hour for Scalabrinian Vocations



Initial Procession

Once the assembly has gathered, a hymn is sung as the priest or deacon, vested in a cope and accompanied by assistant ministers, enters the sanctuary. The entire assembly kneels as the celebrant puts on the humeral veil and walks to the tabernacle. Then, he brings the Blessed Sacrament, places it in the monstrance, and exposes it on the altar.

The celebrant kneels before the altar and incenses the Blessed Sacrament. When the entrance song is finished, there is a moment of silent prayer.

Opening Prayer

Then the celebrant goes to his headquarters and from there he makes the Opening Prayer



Listen Lord
The Prayer of Your People
gathered here in your presence;
by this sacrament of love,
Ripen the seeds
that You have sown
in the field of your Church;
so that many may choose to
serve you in your brothers and sisters
in the different vocations.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
A. Amen.

There is a moment of silence. The liturgy of the Word follows.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Reading from the First Book of Samuel

1Samuel 3:1-10

In the days when the young Samuel served the Lord under Eli, the word of God was seldom heard and visions were not frequent.

Eli's eyes had weakened, and he could hardly see anymore. One night, when the lamp of the Lord had not yet been extinguished, Eli was lying in his room and Samuel in his, inside the sanctuary where the ark of God was, the Lord called Samuel and he answered, "Here I am." He ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. What did you call me for?" Eli answered, "I have not called you. Go back to bed." Samuel went to bed. The Lord called him again and he got up and went to Eli and said to him, "Here I am. What did you call me for?" Eli answered, "I have not called you, my son. Go back to bed."

Samuel did not yet know the Lord, for the word of the Lord had not been revealed to him. For the third time the Lord called Samuel; he got up, went to Eli and said to him, "Here I am. What did you call me for?" Then Eli understood that it was the Lord who called the young man and said to Samuel, "Go to bed, and if anyone calls you, answer, 'Speak, Lord; your servant hears you.'" And Samuel went to bed.

Again, the Lord came and called him as before, "Samuel, Samuel." He answered: "Speak, Lord; your servant listens to you."

Word of God.

R. We praise You, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 15

R. You, Lord, are my inheritance.

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Protect me, my God, for I take refuge in you;
I say to the Lord, "You are my good."
The Lord is the lot of my inheritance and my cup;
My fate is in your hand.

R. You, Lord, are my inheritance.

I will bless the Lord, who counsels me,
even at night he instructs me internally.
I have the Lord always in mind,
with him on my right hand I will not hesitate.

R. You, Lord, are my inheritance.

You will teach me the path of life,
You will fill me with joy in your presence,
of perpetual joy at your right hand.

Silent Prayer

Acclamation Before the Gospel

Cf. Jn 15:16

L. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

I have chosen them out of the world, says the Lord, that they may
go and bear fruit, and their fruit may remain.

L. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Gospel

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Mk 1:14-20

After John was betrayed, Jesus went to Galilee; and he proclaimed the Good News of God: He said: "The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand; Convert and believe in the Good News. As he was skirting the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew, Simon's brother, casting their nets in the sea, for they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come with me, and I will make you fishers of men." Instantly, leaving the nets, they followed him. Walking a little farther on, he saw James of Zebedee and his brother John; they were also in the boat arranging the nets; and immediately called them. And they, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, went after him.

Word of the Lord

R. Glory be to you, Lord Jesus.

Brief Homily

A moment of silence is held to reflect on what we have heard

Prayer of the Faithful

Standing up, the priest or deacon invites the people to pray:

Celebrant: God chooses those whom He wants for a mission, let us pray to the Lord to send laborers to his fields, to each intention we answer: **R. Lord, we trust in you.**

L. Just as You called Abraham to be the father of many nations, inspire many young people to respond to Your call. Let us pray.

A. Lord, we trust in you.

L. Just as You called Aaron to serve You in Your temple, call men to serve Your Church in the image of Christ. Let us pray.

A. Lord, we trust in you.

L. Just as you spoke to awaken Samuel with your call, open the ears of your elect to serve you according to the vocation to which you have called them. Let us pray.

A. Lord, we trust in you.

L. Lord, you have always been attentive to the most needy. It encourages lay vocations, religious life and priestly life to care for migrants and refugees. Let us pray.

A. Lord, we trust in you.

L. Lord, there are many young people who listen to your voice, but they do not dare to answer you. We ask you to give them the courage to be able to break the bonds that hold them back. Let us pray.

A. Lord, we trust in you.

Celebrant: Accept our prayers Father of Goodness. Help us to trust you. We pray for all those who feel the flame of vocation burning in their hearts. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **A. Amen**

Then a moment of silence is left for reflection.

Blessing with the Blessed Sacrament

The celebrant kneels in front of the altar, in front of the Blessed Sacrament. While kneeling, the chant Tantum Ergo (or any other appropriate Eucharistic hymn) is sung while the Blessed Sacrament is incense. When the hymn is finished, the celebrant stands up and sings or says:

C. Let us pray.

A moment of silence is held to reflect on what we have heard

SCALABRINIAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*Gracious God, you have blessed us
with many gifts and talents.
Grant us the wisdom to recognize them
and place them at the service
of the glory of your name.
Bless your Church with generous hearts,
inspired by the Holy Spirit,
in the likeness of the missionary zeal
of Saint John Baptist Scalabrini.
Stir within us an ardent desire
to serve your people,
especially migrants and refugees,
in priestly, religious, and lay life,
within our Scalabrinian Congregation.*

Amén.



Once the prayer has been said, the celebrant takes the humeral veil, genuflects, takes the monstrance and, without saying anything, traces the sign of the cross with the monstrance.

Blessed Sacrament Reserve

The Blessed Sacrament is then taken out of the monstrance and reserved in the tabernacle. When the Blessed Sacrament is reserved, the celebrant says the Praises to the Blessed Sacrament, which are repeated by the assembly at the same time.

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit Paraclete.

Blessed be the exalted Mother of God, Mary Most Holy.

Blessed be his holy and immaculate conception.

Blessed be his glorious assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

After the Praises of the Blessed Sacrament, a song or hymn is sung. When the song or hymn is over, the celebrant and the assistant ministers, looking at the altar, bow their heads and depart.



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