



## FOUNDATION 3: STRENGTHEN VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Bishop Louis Tylka has said, "Everyone has a vocation." God is calling each of us to fulfill a unique invitation to holiness. But what are our options, and how does one come to know his or her vocation?



**Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Peoria, and Sister M. Bernadette Morse of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George, dig deep in a conversation about vocations as part of Bishop Tylka's "Five Foundations" series. The series offers rich explorations of the five foundations in which Growing Disciples is rooted.**

Watch the engaging discussion between a religious sister who began discovering her vocation in high school, and a priest who was formerly a professional soccer player, to hear about the following and more:

- ▶ How to find lasting happiness in a world which offers "passing" happiness.
- ▶ How your vocation is the path by which God's voice is echoed most powerfully through you to the world.
- ▶ The common misconception that being a priest, or religious sister or brother, is lonely. In fact, anyone who does not love as God calls us to love risks loneliness.
- ▶ Our universal vocation is to be holy, or to be like Christ. The way that we can best live this out is unique to how God designed each of us, with a specific purpose.
- ▶ How we can listen for God's voice and discern our specific vocation.



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## 2023-2024 PLANNING PROCESS & KEY CONSULTATIVE BODIES



PASTORAL PLAN

**GROWING DISCIPLES**

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- The Growing Disciples Core Team works very closely with Bishop Tylka, advising him in the pastoral planning process and helping to disseminate information to the faithful of the Diocese of Peoria.
- All priests in the Diocese of Peoria are invited to share their input and perspectives at each stage of the plan, as they prepare to take pastoral ownership of the final plan at the parish level.
- The Pastoral Planning Commission is comprised of 12 members who represent each of the 12 vicariates of the Diocese of Peoria, along with the Core Team and others. It provides input and perspectives to the bishop from across the diocese.
- A Parish Point of Contact has been appointed by the pastor of each parish of the diocese. The pastor has also designated a team of Key Parish Leaders to gather information and provide parish-level feedback and insights to the bishop, Pastoral Planning Commission and Core Team.
- The Presbyteral Council is a preexisting group of priests chosen to assist Bishop Tylka in an advisory capacity in the governance of the Diocese of Peoria.