

## Vocations

Knowledge and courage are two very significant and important gifts of the Holy Spirit. Knowledge is the gift which allows people of the Catholic faith to be open to what God has to teach about life. It enables us to learn how to live, grown, and stay rooted in God. Fortitude is the gift which allows people to have the grace to do what knowledge makes known to us, ordinary, as well as extraordinary.

A vocation is a calling to a particular lifestyle where every person is given a purpose. The gift of knowledge is extremely useful when being called to the consecrated life because it allows a person to understand the responsibilities of that vocation. In order to blossom in knowledge a person has to pray and recognize that God gave us this special gift. After picking the vocation of consecrated life, courage allows that person to follow through in God's will. It also assists one in resisting temptations that may occur in the future.

Peter, an apostle of Jesus, responded to his vocation, as the first pope, with the inclination and the desire to please God. He first obtained knowledge by learning from Jesus' example and used courage when he offered himself up to the Lord. At the young age of thirteen years old, I am still discerning my vocation. I am positive that when God calls me, that I will respond with discipline and willingness because whatever God has in store for me, I will be happiest.