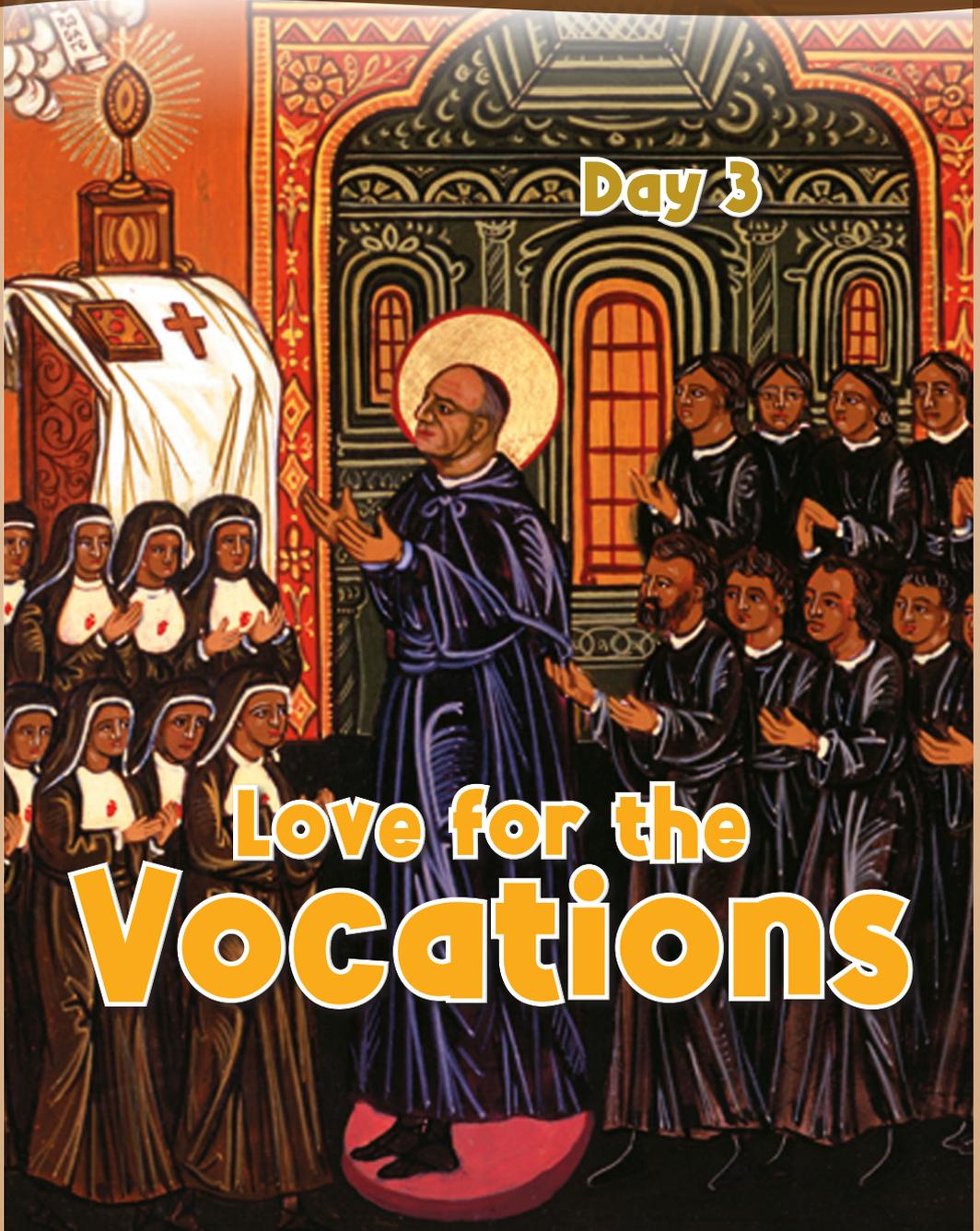




IN PRAYER WITH SAINT HANNIBAL

Day 3



Love for the
Vocations

*** Intention:** *for vocations, that all may respond with faith and courage to their call.*

Song

Intro: Di Francia's vocational pedagogy aimed at the personal involvement of those who pray for vocations. He said that those who pray for vocations to the Church must first commit themselves to "being good labourers of the harvest". It is evident that praying to God for vocations personally challenges those who ask for them, as they can and must first of all give their availability. In this way every person who prays for vocations can become the answer and the immediate fruit of that prayer.

The vital centre in which the encounter with the Heart of Christ takes place is the Eucharist. In it He reveals Himself as the Divine Rogationist who, full of love for the abandoned harvest, offers His life to God the Father, unites us in His offering to implore the gift of good labourers and makes us, like Him, become broken bread for the hunger of humanity.

Gospel Acclamation

*** Gospel**

Go and make disciples of all nations

Reading: **Mt 28,16-20**

*** Reflection**

St Hannibal tried by all means to promote priestly vocations and special consecration in the first place. "To ask for workers from the Holy Church," he wrote, "means in the first place to ask the Lord for priests according to his heart. Secondly, religious men and women. However, anticipating the times, he affirmed that labourers of the Lord's harvest are all Christians called to listen to God's plan for their lives. Thus he wrote: "The divine Word is always a sublime synthesis that contains innumerable mysteries and from which many salutary applications can be drawn. That divine: Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest, is not only to be considered in relation to priests, but is to be considered in relation to all those whom the Most High urges with his Divine grace to work effectively in His Church, in the great harvest of souls.

(Silence)

Song

*** Prayer to Saint Hannibal**

Saint Hannibal, Apostle of the Prayer for Vocations, example for those who pray and promote vocations in the Church, intercede to the Master of the Harvest for those who choose the Priestly life and special Consecration in the Religious life, give zeal and courage to vocation promoters to promote vocations in the Church, intercede for all the baptised so that they may be good labourers in today's society. Amen.

*** or**

Divine Heart of Jesus, who chose Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia to be an Apostle of the Prayer for Vocations and filled him with so much charity as to make him Father of orphans and the poor. Give me the strength to imitate his example and his virtues and grant me, through his intercession, the grace... that I desire. Grant that this request of mine may serve for your glory and the greater good of my soul Amen.

*** Invocations**

- Patron of vocation animators
- **pray for us.**
- Apostle of Prayer for Vocations
- **pray for us.**
- True Father of the Orphans and the Poor
- **pray for us.**

Send, O Lord,

Holy Apostles into your Church.

Song

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