

The Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta Vocation Group invites you and your family to read the story of one person who made a difference:



St. Giovanni Melchiorre Bosco

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If you ever visit the beautiful city of Turin, Italy (Torino in Italian), also take a short drive farther east. About 16 miles away is Castlenuovo Don Bosco; visit the beautiful church there. Another 2 miles southeast is Becchi. The basilica at Castlenuovo is dedicated to Father (“Don” in Italian) John Bosco, and little Becchi is where this priest, teacher, founder of the Salesians, and *saint* was born.

Generally called “Don Bosco,” our saint, as a boy, worked as a shepherd. He was raised by his mother in a very poor little family. So although young Giovanni Bosco showed great interest in learning, he often had to work in the fields instead of studying. But he never gave up his desire for education, and finally at the age of 20 he was admitted to the seminary and in 1841 ordained a priest. Assigned to accompany Pastor Don Cafasso on visits to prisoners, Don Bosco was horrified at the evils suffered by boys there. He resolved to make these least-loved children his life's work.

Don Bosco developed his own unusual teaching style, never resorting to punishment or threats. He saw through the externals of dirt and rags to their eternal souls, and instilled in his pupils a sense of duty. He recruited his best students as followers to carry on his methods. With 17 of these, he formed a society of priests and lay people under the patronage of St. Francis de Sales, which he named the *Salesians*. Don Bosco had successes, but he also suffered much abuse at the hands of some who thought his poor students were worth nothing. He was threatened and even attacked! Once, witnesses saw him protected by a huge gray dog that drove off thugs, and years later, when he was visiting friends, what seemed to be the same dog would not allow him to leave because violent men lay in wait for him outside.

Because of Don Bosco, hundreds of thousands of boys and girls have been educated, souls saved, and lives bettered. Here's what the Salesians have to say:

When St. John Bosco founded the Salesians in 1859, his mission was clear and simple: to be a friend—a friend to kids who were poor, kids abandoned, kids at risk—and, in so doing, to be a friend to Christ. Today, this Catholic religious organization continues doing the work of the Lord in the spirit of its founder, with over 40,000 Salesian priests, brothers, sisters, and lay people working in 120 countries all over the world.

(To learn more, go to www.salesians.org.)

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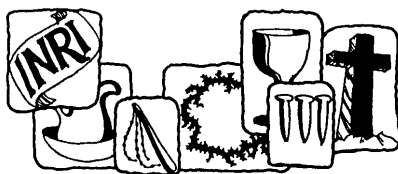
Promoting vocations is the responsibility of everyone.

One person CAN make a difference!



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St. Jude Parish Lenten Schedule 2010



Lenten Scripture Series

7:00 pm each Tuesday in the Church. Begins February 16.

Mass Times for Ash Wednesday, February 17

8:15 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm in Spanish

Daily Mass during Lent

8:15 am Monday through Saturday

7:00 pm Wednesday

5:30 pm Friday

Each Friday of Lent

5:30 pm	Mass
6:00-7:30 pm	Fish Fry in Siener Hall sponsored by Knights of Columbus
7:30 pm	Stations of the Cross in English
8:15 pm	Stations of the Cross in Spanish

Six Dates for Catholic Couples

Take time during Lent to focus on your marriage.

Begins Sunday, February 21, after the 5:30 pm Mass.

Register by calling the parish office.

**Tajci (Tatiana) presents *I THIRST – The Crucifixion Story*
A powerfully moving musical experience for the whole family.**

Thursday, March 4, at 7:00 pm. Free admission.

Day of Reflection in Spanish

Saturday, March 20, 3:00 -7:00 pm, in the PLC.

St. Jude Parish Penance Service

7:00 pm, Thursday, March 25

Parish Religious Education (PRE) Lenten Celebration

Wednesday, March 31, 6:45 pm, in Siener Hall.

Everyone is invited to attend.