



This is my Vocation Story

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My name is Eddie Huber. The Diocese of Orange, California is inviting me to serve Christ and His Church. This is my story.

In the Beginning

I grew up in a Catholic home with my parents and older sister. The Faith was very present in our lives and we would attend Sunday Mass each week. As a child I enjoyed playing sports, games, and hanging out with friends. The desire to be known and loved was also something that I was aware of, even from a very young age.

My Faith

In high school, I became involved with my youth group and served in many ministries. However, my mindset became centered on what I could do for God and less about my relationship with Him. Although I was still living out my faith, I started placing my worth in my accomplishments. This carried over into my soccer career while I was attending college at Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio.

My Vocation

The call to the priesthood was present at a young age, yet, my desire to be known and loved caused me to focus more on falling "in love". I wanted to meet a beautiful woman, fall in love, and live a happy and holy marriage. For a long time, it seemed that God and I were at an impasse because whenever the calling for the priesthood would stir, my heart would turn towards my desire for marriage. I struggled to believe that God could actually satisfy my heart and I continued to work my best to 'earn' God's love through what I imagine as being perfect.

Towards the end of college, I was going through some tough times; my pursuit for love seemed to be falling apart and there was nothing I could do

"My life has been radically changed by Jesus Christ and His Church. I would not be the person I am today without His relentless chasing after me."

—Eddie Huber



“I desire to be able to wake up every morning and know that my only concern is the salvation of souls.”

—Eddie Huber

to stop it. God, in His Goodness, used all of this to draw me closer to Himself. It was in my time with the Lord in prayer, where His slow and gentle hand guided me to a deeper understanding of His love for me. While looking at the crucifix, I came to know that Jesus loved me for who I was and not for what I could do for Him. He helped me to see that my desire for marriage was centered on earthly comfort and there was more that He wanted of me and more that He had for me. He desired for me to surrender myself to Him. The more I came to encounter Jesus, the more I started to desire the calling to the priesthood and to give myself over to Him completely.

Called to Serve

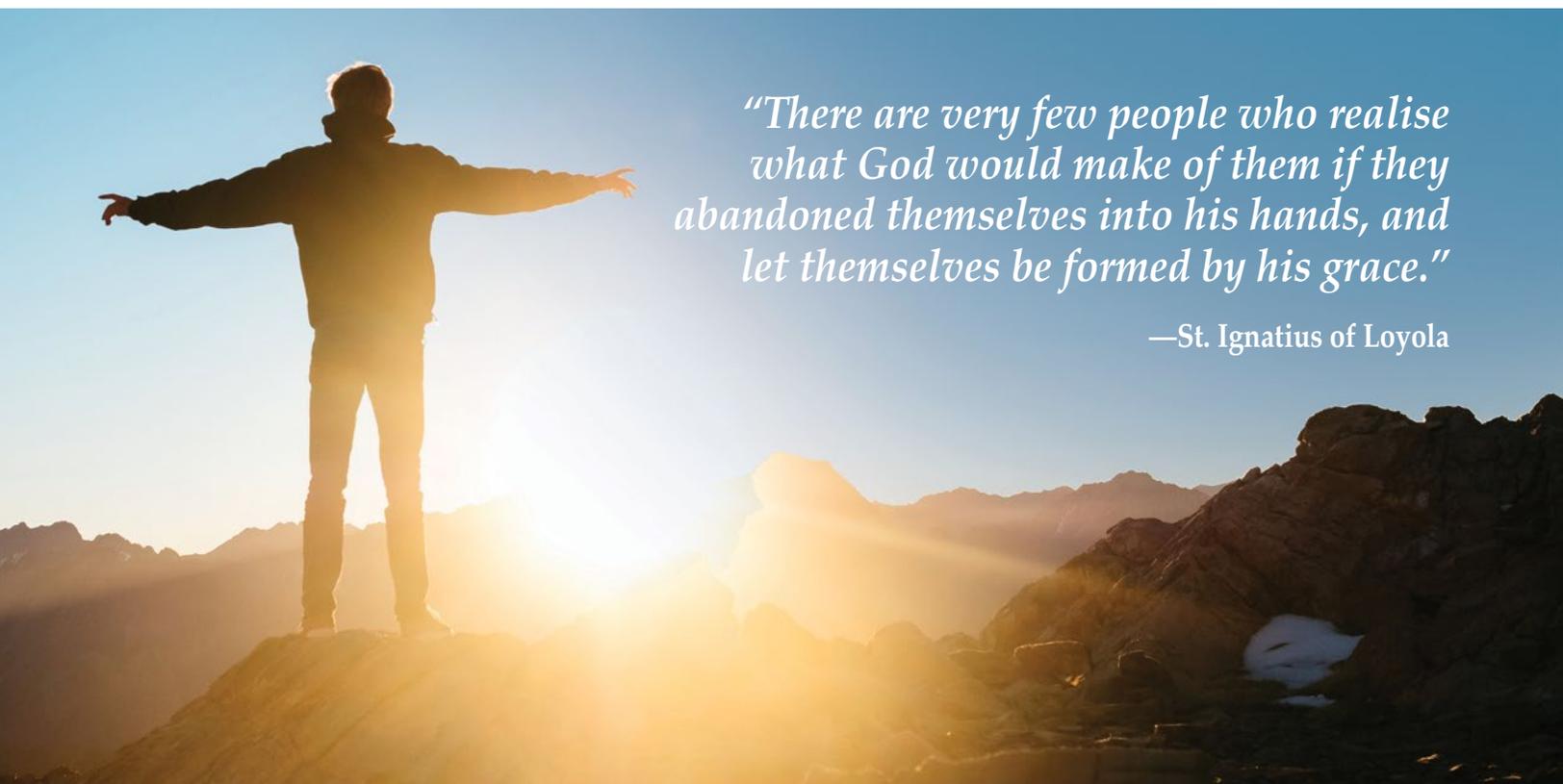
As time went on and I grew in prayer, I found a joy in my response to the Lord and found myself falling deeper in love with Him. I understood that He was the only one who could ever fully satisfy my deepest desires to be known and loved. In January of 2020, after a series of events, I totally surrendered out of love for Him and am now discerning the priesthood in my home diocese of Orange, in California.

I am thrilled to be accepting His call and I want to lay my life down daily for whatever position I am placed in, whether it be at a school, parish or elsewhere. I desire to be a priest for the wonderful communities I have known here and give back to the area that molded me. I cannot wait to walk with you all towards Heaven serving in this role.

Prayer & Invitation

Please pray for me and my fellow Labouré classmates as we begin the journey to formation.

Feel free to reach out with any questions you might have at: Eddie@rescuevocations.org.



“There are very few people who realise what God would make of them if they abandoned themselves into his hands, and let themselves be formed by his grace.”

—St. Ignatius of Loyola

I am an aspirant of Labouré

I am also a fundraiser for a class of aspiring priests, sisters and brothers. A recent study confirmed that nearly 1 of every 2 aspirants is blocked from entering seminaries and religious communities due to student loan debt. It is the only thing that prevents many from entering formation to become a priest, sister or brother. My classmates are discerning all over the country.

MacLean Andrews
Society of Jesus
(Jesuits West)

Jake Smith
Archdiocese of Denver

Anthony Riley
Archdiocese of Detroit

Dan Roberts
Diocese of Pittsburgh

Tyler Wisniewski
Byzantine Catholic
Metropolitan
Archeparchy of
Pittsburgh

Mary Sorteberg
Disciples of the Lord
Jesus Christ

Chrissy Tworek
Handmaids of the
Precious Blood

Isis Leslie
Our Lady of Confidence
Carmelite Monastery

Josh Parmet
Archdiocese of
Philadelphia

Eddie Huber
Diocese of Orange

Rebecca Goldberger
Apostles of the Sacred
Heart of Jesus

Nick Alescio
Diocese of Trenton

Richard Gaunt
Order of Friars Minor
(Franciscan Friars)

Julian Salas
Secular Institute of
Schoenstatt Fathers

Luis Rodarte
Diocese of El Paso

Devin Ray
St. Bernard Abbey

Ari Lima
Archdiocese of Miami

Joseph Silver
Benedictine Monks
of Our Lady of Clear
Creek Abbey

David Torres
Archdiocese of Miami

Morgan Murray
Religious Sisters
of Mercy of Alma,
Michigan

With your help, we will rebuild the Church!

My goal is to raise \$60,000 (the average student loan amount) before December 31st of this year for The Labouré Society, a Catholic non-profit that helps aspirants like me to answer God's call.

Every aspirant has been accepted by a diocese or community and is required to work to liquidate their assets in order to make their own maximum loan payments. Through Labouré, my fellow aspirants and I work together as a class, raising donations which will be divided amongst the class and ultimately applied to our remaining student loans.

We are blessed to have this opportunity to share our love for God, our vocation stories, and to invite hundreds of individuals to support vocations like ours by financially investing in our future and the future of the Church.

Will you join our vocational journeys?

Please partner with us and be part of our vocation team so we can answer God's call together!

Our vocations story videos are online at: www.RescueVocations.org

LABOURÉSM
HELP RESCUE VOCATIONS™

Why is Labouré Needed?



Individuals discerning a priestly or religious vocation in the US annually*



Are blocked from pursuing this call due to education loans*



The average amount our vocational aspirants in Labouré owe in educational loans

How does the Mission Work?

OUR ASPIRANTS



- Are discerning a vocation and have been accepted into a diocese or religious institute
- Are blocked from entering or continuing vocational formation due to student loans
- Are trained by Labouré in Catholic-based fundraising and are provided with practical tools, personal mentoring, and accountability
- Share their vocation stories with thousands of Catholic donors, thereby building a culture of vocations and evangelization
- As a class of 20-25 aspirants raise funds collectively and receive awards from those funds to be applied to their debt

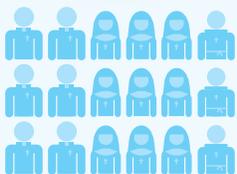
THE LABOURÉ SOCIETY



- Works with aspirants to utilize all personal means to mitigate their loan amount prior to acceptance into the program
- Trains each aspirant in Catholic-based philanthropy
- Mentors each aspirant to build a unified team; each individual works toward the collective goal
- Provides ongoing accountability and personal guidance to ensure proper preparation and completion of the individual fundraising plans of each aspirant
- Equips each aspirant with an online fundraising platform and multi-media fundraising tools
- Facilitates ongoing aspirant/donor communication and updates after aspirant enters formation

What Has Labouré Accomplished?

370+



Assisted into formation to the priesthood or religious life

\$10 MILLION



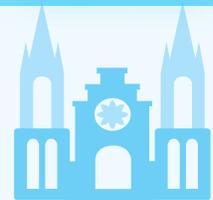
Raised by Labouré aspirants since 2003

PROVEN



In operation since 2003

TRUSTED



Listed in the Official Catholic Directory

* NRVC, Vision Study, 2010

The Labouré Society is a recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit, and is listed in the Official Catholic Directory. All donations are tax deductible. Gifts solicited by our aspirants belong to Labouré and are dispersed upon board approved guidelines to ensure full compliance with IRS rulings. All gifts made to Labouré are non-refundable. Aspirants who leave Labouré are not required to repay any funds disbursed but are strongly encouraged to support Labouré however possible. Funds granted but not dispersed to a former aspirant are made available to other Labouré needs.