



Joliet Area Vocation Association

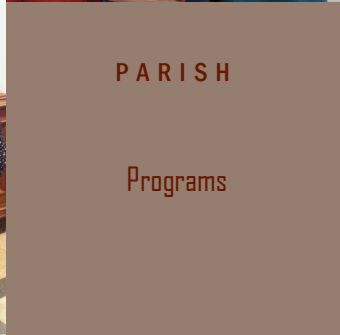
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What is JAVA?

- An organization of:
- Vocation Directors (Diocesan and Religious serving in the Joliet Diocese)
- Directors of Young Adult, Campus, and Youth Ministries in the Diocese.
- Representatives of the Serra Club

Joliet Area Vocation Association

Our Purpose:

- Promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life
- Reach out to and assist women and men who are discerning how God is calling them and how they will answer that call
- Provide quality programs on vocation/call designed to meet the needs of parishes, schools, religious education classes, colleges, youth, and young adults
- Provide a support network for vocation directors and those who work with young people

Vocation Panel

Fifth grade through high school

A vocation panel brings together priests, brothers and sisters to witness to their lives and vocations. Presentations allow time for questions and answers.

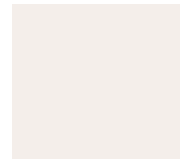


Vocation Fairs



Schools, Religious Education and Parishes

Priests, brothers and sisters are available at a school or Sunday liturgies in a parish. Students and Parishioners visit the display tables, interact with the religious men and women, and receive informational and spiritual materials.



Jeremiah Day



Boys in 7th to 10th grade

Young men are invited to spend a day with priests and seminarians hearing their stories, touring the seminary and participating in Liturgy.



Classroom Presentations

Elementary and high school

JAVA members are available for classroom presentations on religious life and various topics: call, commitment, ministry, etc.

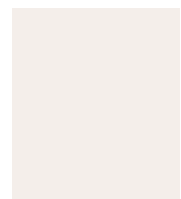


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JAVA Members are available to speak on vocations at parish liturgies, special meetings, evenings of recollection, or to work with parish councils in forming parish vocation committees.

JAVA can provide a Generations of Faith session with lesson plans on vocations



Busy Persons' Retreat



College Students

JAVA members serve as spiritual companions to retreatants who commit themselves to 30 minutes of private prayer and a meeting with their spiritual companion each day for four days.



Supper With the Sisters



Teen or Young Adult Women

Come and enjoy prayer, pasta, and possibilities and explore religious life with Sisters of the Joliet Diocese



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