

APOSTLES of JESUS CHRIST, PRIEST & VICTIM

WHO WE ARE

The Apostles of Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim, is a new society of diocesan priests, founded in the Archdiocese of Chicago with the permission of Francis Cardinal George, whose charism is to sanctify its members through conformity to Christ crucified in a mission of shared charity.

Our fundamental mission is to save the greatest number of souls and to renew parish life according to the following specific means:

- 1) Reverently offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in both the ordinary and extraordinary forms, thus communicating the beauty and nobility of the Sacred Liturgy.
- 2) Zealously preaching and teaching in order to extend Christ's universal Kingship.
- 3) Fostering sanctification of the family through the sacramental life and consecration to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.
- 4) Forming men in their vocation to natural and spiritual fatherhood, including priestly vocations, through devotion to St. Joseph.

In our mission to save souls, which we carry out in communion with the Pope and the Bishops, we offer our lives and sufferings daily in union with Jesus, High Priest and Victim, in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and with Mary, our Mother in the Order of Grace.

We are located at St. John Vianney Church, 46 N. Wolf Rd., Northlake, IL 60164

A LIFE in COMMON for DIOCESAN PRIESTS

Realizing that parish life for diocesan priests can become fragmented and isolated, we strive to live a common life in shared charity for the good of our priestly apostolate. Our common life, which allows flexibility to accommodate itself to the life of a parish priest, entails the following:

- Morning and Evening Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) in common
- One-half hour morning and evening meditation in common
- At least one meal daily together
- A weekly morning of study in the areas of theology or philosophy, with a specific focus on papal teachings and St. Thomas Aquinas
- A weekly period of manual labor
- A monthly morning of recollection open to all priests
- Some form of weekly recreation together
- All-night Eucharistic adoration in reparation to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary on First Fridays/Saturdays