

How Does a Family's Life Foster God's Call to a Religious Life?

Charity begins at home where our faith is first introduced to us. Our family roots us in good Catholic values and shapes us into charitable persons. It is vital for our family to foster and encourage us to listen for God's call. As Catholics, we need to talk and teach about our faith and what it means.

At home, it is very important to follow the Catholic faith and to foster children towards a religious life. My family allows me to think upon a religious life by practicing the works of mercy. My family does this by setting a good example through words and action. We promote peace and recognize the importance of our faith. My family gives donations to the poor, goes to Church together, and hangs crucifixes throughout our home. My parents have raised me to serve and teach others. All of these aspects of a Catholic family might encourage me to embrace God's call and follow a religious vocation.

Our families need to influence their children to pray for their vocation and to keep their hearts open to God. Although God may call us to different ways of life, our families should foster in us a willingness to hear God's special call. Family life helps us to grow spiritually and, thus, leads us toward a religious vocation.