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## **Black Madonna**

*Basilica of the National Shrine  
of the Immaculate Conception*

## Prayer for Vocations

Faithful God,  
Creator of all that is good in our world  
and within our hearts,  
awaken in each of us the seeds You planted at our birth:  
seeds of integrity, compassion, peace, love,  
and service to all creation.

As we grow and flower, may we claim our role  
in discovering and uncovering  
Your kingdom here on Earth.

Quicken the hearts of those women among us  
whom You have called  
to a special passion for Your Word,  
to simplicity of life,  
to single-hearted dedication to Your people,  
and to vigilant attention  
to the movement of Your Spirit within them.

May they, by choosing a life of community  
and prayer in religious life,  
follow in the footsteps of the many Sisters before them  
who have blazed a trail of justice hope and peace  
throughout a hungry world.

Amen.

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