

## Prayer of Discernment

Heavenly Father, as you have showered your creation with your grace and have bestowed upon it all the gifts necessary for the glorification of your name, we ask you to open our hearts and minds to the power of your Holy Spirit that we may discern your gifts and the purpose for which you have given them. Help us to recognize those you have called for special roles in the Church as lay ministers that we may encourage them, support them and hear your voice when you speak through them.

Lord God, guide us to know your will in our lives that we may conform our will to yours and give you glory each day. Give the grace of the Holy Spirit to those called to serve as lay ministers so that they might answer your calling.

We ask this through Jesus Christ your Son. AMEN,

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The following may be used in prayer card format and be distributed for personal prayer or substituted for the second paragraph above to be used as a prayer response:

Lord God, guide me to know your will in my life that I may conform my will to yours and give you glory each day. If you have called me to serve as a lay minister, give me the grace of your Holy Spirit to answer your calling.