## **Year of Oblate Vocations**

## **Proposed prayer for Oblate vocations**

Holy Father,

we come to you because Jesus asked us to pray

that you send workers into your harvest.

You so loved the world

that you sent your Son

so that we might have the fullness of life.

He in turn sent the Twelve and the apostle Paul

to announce the good news of salvation.

After them, from generation to generation,

you have continued to send workers into the whole world

so that everyone might know you.

Then you chose Saint Eugene

and through him you brought into being a family of missionaries

who have passionately taught "who Christ is"

in every corner of the world

and have established new Christian communities.

More than ever the world needs to know of your merciful love

and needs those who will help the men and women of our time

to "become first of all human beings, and then Christians and finally, saints".

Therefore, send us generous young men,

passionate for Jesus,

willing to make of their whole life a total oblation to you,

to become close to the poorest and most abandoned,

and to proclaim the Gospel.

May they burn with the same fire that you enkindled in Saint Eugene;

may they come to be part of his family

and, with all the Oblates, may they continue the work of Redemption.

Jesus told us that whatever we ask of you in his name,

you will grant it.

So we make this prayer to you with faith,

sure that you will hear us.

Mary Immaculate,

who first gave Jesus to the world,

be with us as we pray.

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