

## SAMPLE FUNDRAISING LETTER

May 2011

Dear Family and Friends:

I will be running\walking on the Run for Vocations Team at the Marine Corps Marathon, (or 10K) on Sunday, October 30, 2011 to witness to the gift of the priesthood and raise funds for the Archdiocese of Washington's Priest Vocation Ministry. My goal is to finish (26.2 or 6.2) miles, which is a challenge, but nothing compared to the challenge faced by men answering their call to the priesthood with a heartfelt yes!

A donation will directly benefit the seminarians and work of vocations in the Archdiocese of Washington. The Archdiocese provides our seminarians with the basics of an education, healthcare, housing, and food. Your donation provides for the extraordinary expenses that they are unable to pay for themselves, such as unexpected medical costs, travel expenses to family if an emergency or death arises, and spiritual enrichment opportunities. For example, these funds assisted them in helping lead youth for World Youth Day 2008. Monsignor Panke allocates this discretionary fund on an "as needed" basis to the men.

To make a donation on-line, please visit [www.dcvocations.org](http://www.dcvocations.org) and click the Run for Vocations link on the left side of the page. Please don't forget to indicate that you are donating in my name.

If you prefer to make a donation by check, simply mail a check, payable to Archdiocese of Washington, to: Office of Priest Vocations, Archdiocese of Washington, P.O. Box 29260, Washington, D.C. 20017.

Please keep our team in your prayers. Our future and ordained priests appreciate your support!  
THANK YOU.

Sincerely in Christ,

(Your name)