

TO WHAT

come and see

AM I CALLED?

Again and again, people join with God in seeking their future. Christ brings people together in his Church. There we help each other to walk together the way He shows us. So the search for your vocation does not have to be done alone. It is even better to do it together with others and to be guided by the experience of people from the Church.

Come and see is an exploratory year for men (ages 18-45) who want to take time to think about their future:

- *To what can I give myself?*
- *What does God ask of me?*
- *Does my happiness lie in marriage, priesthood, diaconate or religious life? Is there a special place for me in the Church?*

Come and see is a year that aims to help you very concretely in this quest. From September 2025 to May 2026 with:

- A monthly meeting at Vronesteyn to pray, eat, listen and share together from 6:00 to 9:15 pm.
- A weekly hour of prayer using texts and questions helps to (learn to) be open to God's voice. You plan your own time and place.
- Personal guidance by a priest, deacon or pastoral worker of the Diocese of Rotterdam, who walks with you as a journey companion.



**Rector Broeders
of Vronesteyn:**

"In the gospel we see Jesus calling people in very different ways. You could say that it doesn't even matter so much what you do now, but mainly where you want to go."



The program gave structure to my prayer times: praying at set times and then letting it rest. The year gave me a common thread and thus stopped me going around in circles. It helped me arrive at a concrete question. Because I didn't have a clear question myself, I would never have Googled, for example, the question: become a priest or a deacon? But I did give it serious thought this year.

Alex from Delft

DATES, THEMES, INTRODUCTIONS

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| 24 September '25 | Introduction and explanation of the course |
| 29 October '25 | How does Christ call us? |
| 26 November '25 | How can we answer? |
| 17 December '25 | Every vocation requires serving love (Christmas) |
| 21 January '26 | What does it mean to be a priest or deacon in this world today? |
| 18 February '26 | Married life, unmarried life, celibacy |
| 18 March '26 | Personal formation and faith formation |
| 22 April '26 | Where do we stand and how do we go forward? |
| 20 May '26 | Meeting with Bishop Van den Hende |
| 17 June '26 | Looking back and ahead |

IN 3 MINUTES

A priest talks about
Come and see in this video.

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PARTICIPANTS ABOUT COME AND SEE

"It was nice to be able to exchange thoughts with people who are pondering over the same questions."

"Eating together was very good. The conversation then came easily. The same happened at the times we read Bible texts together. Praying together was nice and the guidance was pleasant."

"The process has given me structure. And peace to discover what God wants from me. I had a concrete question, I wanted to organize my life differently regarding my work, and in this year I received an answer."

TO PRAY

Do you think the “Come and See Year” is for you? Talk about it with someone who knows you well. Talk about it with someone on your pastoral team or with a fellow parishioner. And submit it to God in prayer.

*To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust.*

*Make me to know your ways, O Lord.
Teach me your paths.*

*Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation.*

(From Psalm 25)

Sign up by Sept. 15, 2025. Scan or click on the QR code.

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