

God Calls Us

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 3, Session 14**.

Saint Paul recognizes that Church members have different gifts and roles. The greatest gift of all is love, a gift that everyone can put into action.

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God calls all Christians to a life of mission and service. Each vocation serves the People of God and God's kingdom.

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Mary was called to a special vocation. At the Annunciation, she was called to be the mother of Jesus.

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From the moment of her conception, Mary was preserved from Original Sin. This is called the Immaculate Conception.

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By saying yes to God, Mary cooperated with God in the history of Salvation. She was filled with the Holy Spirit.

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We ask Mary for help in prayers such as the Rosary and the Hail Mary.

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When Mary's life on earth was completed, she was taken into Heaven body and soul. This is called the Assumption.

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Mary is the patroness of the United States.

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Every person is called to be holy. Pope John Paul II wrote about this —the vocation to holiness as something every person is called to.

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The sculpture titled *Universal Call to Holiness* was possible because of the cooperation of people with diverse backgrounds and skills.

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