

What Do Divine Word Missionaries Do?

Divine Word Missionary priests and brothers are men of prayer and faith. God calls them to a religious vocation, spreading the Word of God where the Gospel has not yet been preached, or where the local church is not yet viable. Their emphasis on interculturalism, education and professional skills enables them to minister throughout the world in a variety of ways.

Being a missionary is all about inviting and welcoming others."

- Fr. Tom Ascheman, SVD

Characteristics that make a good Missionary priest or brother - *do you have what it takes?*

| Prays regularly to further a relationship with Jesus | Likes learning about new cultures |
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| Worships regularly with a faith | Embraces different social norms |
| community | Advocates for Peace and Justice |
| Shares the Word of God | Enjoys traveling and meeting new people |
| Believes in helping others | gg |

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His mission is our mission...is it yours?

Let's find out together!

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Missions



The missionary priests and brothers of the Society of the Divine Word are working in **more than 80 countries** around the world. More popularly known as Divine Word Missionaries, it is the largest international missionary order of men in the Catholic Church. They share the Word of God with those who may not have heard the Good News and live the lessons of the Gospels by serving the poor and marginalized, people of other cultures and faith traditions and all faith seekers.



Encompassing 24
countries in North and
South America, the
PAN-AMERICAN
zone's provinces
possess a long
history with roots
going back to the
time of St. Arnold
Janssen and the
founding of the
Society.



The **EUROPE**zone is made up
of 25 countries
including Holland,
the birthplace of the
Society of the Divine
Word.



The 16 countries in the AFRICA-MADAGASCAR zone continue to experience growth in membership and ministry as the political climate moves to a more favorable view of missionary work.



The need for Divine Word Missionaries is great in the **ASIA-PACIFIC** zone spanning 15 countries from China to New Zealand, and home to nearly 60% of the world's total population.

Visit the **Mother of Perpetual Help Center** in Nong Bua Lamphu, Thailand, and watch a group of Divine World Missionary brothers working with young victims of HIV/ AIDS who are otherwise shunned by their families and society. **Or read about our ministries in Chicago** and find Divine Word Missionaries leading diverse parish communities who benefit from their guidance and faithfilled support.

The ministries of the SVD are many and varied. *Perhaps there is a special ministry where God is calling you.*

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Are you ready to speak to a Vocation Director?

We'd love to hear from you!

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Next Steps



If you want to learn more about becoming a Catholic Missionary Priest or Brother, or pursuing a degree at a college seminary, follow these steps:



about academics, admission, student life, and more. Complete an Online Assessment

Visit **Vocation Match** to complete an online assessment to help pair your interests with various religious communities.

Learn About Other Available Options

If you're a young, Catholic man looking to learn more about missionary priesthood, missionary brotherhood, becoming a Catholic Missionary, or discernment, explore our other guides:

- Priesthood
- Seminary
- Brotherhood
- Discernment

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