A Sample Request for *Rite of Profession*

Write your own letter to the Minister of the Fraternity using the elements from 3:32 on pages 5 and 6 of the *Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order*.

End your letter with these words:
Prompted by the grace of God, I seek to live the Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the way of St. Francis of Assisi. This I desire to do within the Secular Franciscan Order. I recognize that there is special formation for the newly professed and I am committed to formation and making a lifetime profession to live in fraternity according to the *Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order*. I understand that my request for profession is subject to the approval of the Fraternity Council.

Please sign and date your letter.