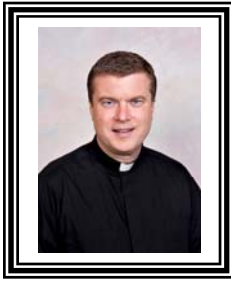


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I'm a native Chicagoan from the city's southwest-side neighborhood of Ashburn. I am the oldest of six siblings. Growing up, my home parish of St. Thomas More was the center of my family's life. It was through the influence of the dedicate priests and Dominican Sisters of my parish that I first realized my vocation. Over the years, I have been blessed with an excellent Catholic education at all levels – primary, secondary, college, and graduate school. After graduation from college, I worked in the banking sector for an international bank and later a quasi-governmental financial institution. I lived on Chicago's northwest side and was very involved with my local parish, Immaculate Conception, working with the RCIA program for many years.

In 2003, I applied and was accepted as a candidate for the priesthood for the Joliet Diocese. I studied at Sacred Heart School of Theology in Wisconsin. Presently, I will be entering my fourth-year of theology at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary. More recently, I completed a quarter year of study in the Holy Land with 27 seminarian brothers and four professors. It was truly a life changing experience for me to travel and study in the land where our Lord once lived. Also, it was awesome for me to witness Catholicism's vital role in the interfaith dialogue process between Judaism and Islam. This past summer, I participated in a 10-week program of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at St. Camillus Hospital in Milwaukee.