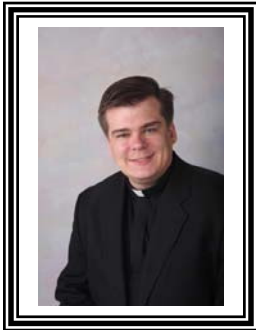


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Born in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1980, I'm currently 29 years old. I've been in formation for the priesthood since late 2003. Holding a B.A. in English Literature from the University of Illinois as well as a B.A. in Philosophy from Conception Seminary College, I'll be entering my fourth and final year of theology at Mundelein Seminary later this month.

The first of two children, I've been blessed by strong family support as I discern my vocation. As a child, I lived with my family in Omaha, Ann Arbor, and Decatur before graduating high school in Joliet. During my youth, I was active in the Boy Scouts, and received my Eagle Scout Award in 1993.

Beginning in late May, I recently completed Clinical Pastoral Education (C.P.E.) in St. Louis. This program is designed to help future ministers learn more about other faiths, as well as how to minister to those in hospitals.

This year, I'm looking forward to ordination to the diaconate in November, followed by the priesthood in June. It has been a long and fruitful period of preparation, and I'm excited about the potential of serving in the diocese full time!