



SCHOOL OF DIACONAL FORMATION



"I have always felt a calling to serve the Church. Now, as I find myself studying for the School of Diaconal Formation at the seminary, I ask myself why I am choosing this path. The answer lies in finding Christ as a steadfast anchor. I want others to encounter Him in their lives, to see the transformative effect He can have.

My wife accompanied me on this journey, attending classes and discerning alongside me. None of this would be possible without the amazing professors at the seminary. They are a tremendous gift; they help me comprehend the teachings of Scripture and tradition and show how they apply to today's world, enabling me to incorporate them into my ministry.

Our faith is more than just attending Church on Sundays. As Deacons, we are actively involved in the world outside of Sunday, working with our families and engaging with others. **If you are searching for a place where your faith can be nourished and where you can contribute to the faith of others, supporting the Seminary Appeal will assist men in discerning their calling.** – Jaime Gandara



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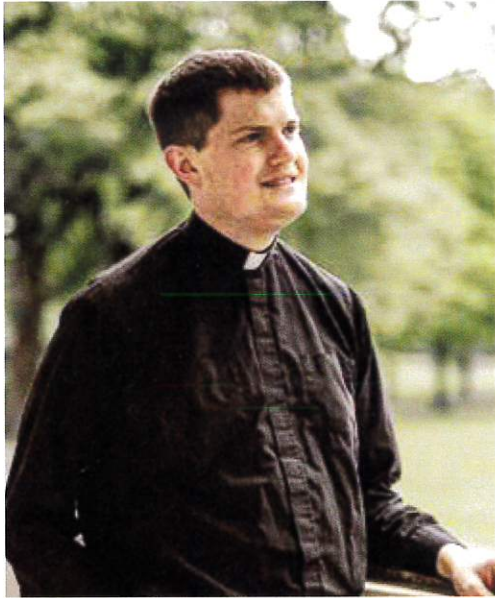
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MEET OUR SEMINARIANS



"I think I know why you're here, Brendan. You're here to ask about the priesthood." When my pastor said those words to me during confession, it sparked something in me, and I began praying and asking God if this was something He had in mind for me. Every time the thought came to me, I felt a peaceful joy, and I knew I had to explore that further. This is what led me to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Going into the seminary is not something one casually decides. It requires genuine commitment. That is what makes the seminary special – the daily dedication of individuals striving to grow as better Christians and pursue their calling.

I believe one of the most valuable aspects of the seminary is that we have our personal prayer time with God, but it's also done alongside and with others who are on a similar path. **When thinking about the Church's future, I can't think of a better place to invest resources and treasure than St. Charles Borromeo Seminary."**

– Rev. Mr. Brendan Zehner



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