

KEEP THE FAITH ALIVE. Those who are discerning a religious vocation depend on the support and encouragement



of others. Please, do all you can to promote God's calling for men and women who are contemplating a life of sacred service.

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AS A NEWLY ORDAINED PRIEST, I am often asked about my vocation. When I reflect on how I came to live this awesome way of life, I am continually struck by God's role in it. He worked through so many different people to lead me into such a unique relationship with Him and service to His Church.

Along the way, many people reflected God's generosity toward me. In particular, I am grateful to my parish priests, especially the Scalabrini Fathers, who influenced me so profoundly by their example. I am also grateful to my entire family for their unstinting encouragement, as well as the parish family of St. Peter's—which includes my

brother Knights—who have continued to be a valuable source of support for me.



Although it has only been a short time, I can already tell that one of the greatest rewards of the priesthood is being present as people discover God acting in their lives. The celebration of the sacraments and praying for others have been equally humbling and exciting.

As I embark on this new adventure, I am eager to celebrate the love and joy of the Trinity with the people of the parishes where I am assigned, and to serve them well. Brother Knights in my family, parish, and the seminary have faithfully journeyed with me. I look forward to working with them

to continue to support all vocations.



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