



Seminarian Joey D'Angelo

I was born to my loving parents, Erin and Joe, on January 9, 2003. I was raised in Joliet with my two siblings, Cara and Trace. We have attended our home parish, St. Mary's in Minooka, for as long as I can remember. I am blessed to have been raised in the faith by such loving and devout parents.

I attended Minooka public schools through my graduation from high school in 2021. My favorite subjects were always art, history, and psychology. Outside of school, I enjoyed painting and playing sports. I especially enjoyed boxing throughout high school and into my college years.

Although I felt a desire for the priesthood as a child, I did not give it much thought until my early twenties. At 20 years old, I felt called to dive deeper into the Church through prayer and volunteer work. I began teaching Religious Education and regularly served with our youth ministry. It was through those experiences that my prayer life deepened, ultimately leading me to present myself as a candidate for the seminary.

With the guidance of my pastor, Fr. John Honiotes, and our then-vocations director, Fr. Steven Borello, I began to learn what it truly means to pray and discern God's will for my life. I am overjoyed to begin this journey of discernment and service as a seminarian at the Pontifical College Josephinum. Please keep me in your prayers as I continue to seek the Lord's will for my future.

May Christ's peace be with you.