



OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

Congratulations on exploring God's will for your life!

If you are discerning priesthood and are interested in applying for seminary formation for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, please contact Fr. David Blume, Director of the Office of Vocations, at stpaulpriest@10000vocations.org

The Archdiocese requires residency in the Archdiocese for a period of one year before an application can be accepted. Exceptions are made for candidates originally from the Archdiocese, who are returning home. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org or (651) 962-6890.

Seminary applications are only available by formal invitation from the Director of Vocations. The process for acceptance for seminary formation takes a minimum of three months to complete. Application includes a formal application, a written autobiography, physical exam, psychological screening, thorough background check, letters of recommendation and a formal interview process.

Undergraduate candidates also must apply to the University of St. Thomas separately and be approved for admission through its procedures.

Seminarians are responsible for their own debt. Applicants are encouraged to be debt free, or to have a modest amount of student loans, when they enter seminary. There are organizations that assist candidates with student loans if they prevent them from entering seminary formation. If debt is a concern, please contact the Vocation Director at (651) 962-6890 or stpaulpriest@10000vocations.org