

Eric T. Kaufman

Home Parish: St. John the Baptist - Glandorf

Age: 30

Level of Seminary Studies: Pre-Theology 1

What are your hobbies? What are your favorite sports teams? College? Professional?

- I enjoy volunteering around town and the parish; especially with our parish history museum/archives and parish tours.
- I enjoy traveling; learning new things and trying new food.
- Cleveland Indians and the Ohio State Buckeyes

What spiritual writings would you recommend to other men and women discerning their life vocation?

- "Dominus Est – It is the Lord!" (by. Bishop Athanasius Schneider)
- "Corpus Christi – Holy Communion and the Renewal of the Church"
(by. Bishop Athanasius Schneider)
- "33 Days to Morning Glory" (by. Fr. Michael Gaitley)
- "33 Days to Merciful Love" (by. Fr. Michael Gaitley)

Who are your favorite saints? Why are they your favorite saints?

- Mary, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- Divine Mercy and St. Faustina
- St. John the Baptist
- St. John Vianney
- St. Therese of Lisieux

Who are the people (priests, religious and laity) who have influenced your vocational discernment to this point in your journey?

- Fr. Joseph Poggemeyer, Fr. Harold Brown C.PP.S., fellow Diocesan Seminarians, and several friends.

What are your hopes for the future of the Catholic Church?

- That all will come to know, love, and have a deeper reverence for Jesus; especially in the Eucharist.

What advice would you offer young people about discerning a vocation to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray, trust in Jesus, and try it.