

# **Michael Bialorucki**

**Home Parish: Sandusky Catholic Community – Holy Angels Parish**

**Age: 30**

**Level of Seminary Studies: Theology III**

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

**Professional?** I enjoy running, reading, playing guitar, drums, and learning piano. I also really enjoy porch sitting. I am big fan of the Cleveland Indians, the Pittsburgh Steelers, and the Ohio State Buckeyes.

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

“The Priest is Not His Own” by Archbishop Fulton Sheen

“The Holy Longing” by Ronald Rolheiser

“The Wounded Healer” by Henri M. Nouwen

“The Joy of the Priesthood” by Fr. Stephen J. Rossetti

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

Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati – was a deeply devout man who had a care for all people, no matter their state in life even though he came from a well-off family.

St. Oscar Romero – put the teachings of the Church, especially regarding the poor and mistreated, above all else speaking out against his own government.

St. Michael the Archangel – my namesake who serves as a reminder that we are all dependent upon God who uses us as His vessels to bring his love to others.

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

Many, but to name a few – Fr. Jason Kahle, Fr. Tim Kummerer, Fr. Scott Woods, Fr. Dave Nuss, Fr. Gregory Hite, Fr. Peter Marshall, Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB, Fr. Julian Peters, OSB, Dcn. Joe Malenfant, Cameron and Marley Davis, Bret and Ellen Huntebrinker, and Rob and Angela Terrill.

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

That we see a return by all people to a more devout love and reverence to the Sacraments of the Church, especially from priests, as we see the lay faithful take more leadership within the administrative role of the parish life.

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

Talk to people who are currently walking through the journey. Be open and honest. Start talking to God about how you feel and when you feel like you can't figure it out, make visits to seminaries and communities and even apply to join. There are things you cannot figure out in discernment away from the seminary or community.