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Robert was born and raised in Wyndmere, ND. He received a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science at North Dakota State University in 2012. After graduating, he worked full time as a Systems Administrator for NDSU's Computer Science Department, and as an adjunct lecturer for NDSU's Mathematics Department. Robert is currently enrolled in the Pre-Theology program at Sacred Heart Major seminary in Detroit, Michigan.

**Do your family and friends think it is a good idea that you're becoming a priest?** Yep! I don't think any of my family has objections to my enrollment in seminary.

**Do you ever have any fun? What do you do in your free time?** I'm an avid reader (either 19th century literature or modern science fiction/fantasy). At seminary, you can also easily get a group of guys together for cards or other games.

**If you were not a priest, what do you think you would be?** Hmm, possibly pursuing a Masters degree or possibly teaching Mathematics or Computer Science somewhere.

**How many brothers and sisters do you have?** I have two brothers and two sisters.

**What is your favorite TV program?** I don't watch much television anymore, but Stargate SG-1 is always a show to go back and watch.

**Who is your favorite singer or music group?** Led Zeppelin, perhaps.

**Do you ever get bored while studying to be a priest?** Nope, there's always things to do here.

**How is a seminary different than a regular school?** The caliber of the instructors at Sacred Heart are amazing. Many are the top of their field.

**How often do you see your family?** I'll probably see my family again this winter break. And of course, modern technology allows us to stay in touch pretty easily.

**What do you enjoy most while studying to be a priest?** Growing in my understanding and knowledge of faith.

**Who helped you decide to become a priest?** Local pastors.

**What do you think the best thing will be about being a priest?** Bringing the sacraments to people.

**What is your favorite quote or saying?** "For a moment there I thought we were in trouble." -- Butch Cassidy