

Mark DeSio comes from a large Catholic family and enjoys every sport, especially skateboarding and basketball. Mark was born and raised in Florida and went to Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, his home parish, (K-8), St. Petersburg Catholic High School (Freshmen-Junior), then graduated from Clearwater High School in 2014. Growing up, Mark always assumed his vocation was to marriage and never considered the priesthood until the Lord called him in college. He studied to be a firefighter for two years before entering St. John Vianney College Seminary in 2016, where he just graduated from in May 2020 after four years of prayer and study. What attracted Mark to priesthood the most was the full-time mission of leading others to Jesus, the Church, and ultimately heaven. Mark wants to share the Lord's love and mercy with everyone he encounters. His advice to anyone discerning the priesthood is to spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist and to be devoted to our Blessed Mother. Mark will be entering 1st Theology at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in August 2020.