

Tyler Gates

I was born in Albany, NY and lived there for 11 months, then we moved to Clearwater. My parents are both from New York, my dad is from Buffalo and my mom is from Albany. I have one younger brother. My home parish is Christ the King in Tampa. I went to Florida State University and majored in Biological Science. After graduating college, I moved back to the Tampa Bay Area and started working in the operating room as an OR Care Technician. In my free time I enjoy spending time with family and friends, being at the beach, the pool or on a boat. I also enjoy watching any FSU sports, the Buccaneers, and the Lightning. I felt the call to the priesthood my junior year of high school, however, I was hardheaded and kept ignoring the call. The Lord was very patient with me. After 7 years, I finally said yes to this calling that the Lord had been inviting me to. One of the many things that attracts me to priesthood is the opportunity to be able to be a part of different families' lives and to be able to provide the sacraments to them.