

## **Spencer Grant**

I was born and raised in Tampa, Florida (and have been a Bucs, Rays, and Lightning fan through thick and thin) to Ralph and Diane Grant and grew up in the Westchase area with my siblings: Kaitlin and Zachary. My family joined the Church in 2008 and we began worshipping at St. Timothy Parish in Lutz where I was later baptized and received my first communion and confirmation. I graduated from Alonzo High School in 2015 and later from Hillsborough Community College with an Associate Degree in Business Administration. I worked for three years at Westchase Golf Club as the Assistant Professional and was planning on attending Florida Gulf Coast University and pursuing their PGA Golf Management Degree before the Lord called me once more to the seminary; this was a call that I've felt off and on since the age of fifteen. What finally convinced me that I was called to seminary was the realization of what a priest does: A priest is present at the most important moment in people's lives and not only gets to witness these amazing moments but is able to bring Christ into those moments and bring the people present to Christ. The intimacy that a priest has with Christ's saving work is what continues to drive me as I go into my senior year at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami.