Zach Brasseur was born and raised in St. Petersburg by his parents Brad and Kathy, and with his three sisters Amy, Alexis, and Jessica. Over the years, the Brasseurs have been involved with several parishes in Pinellas county, but they have called St. Paul's in St. Petersburg home for over a decade. After graduating from St. Petersburg High School, Zach earned a bachelor's degree in history from Saint Leo University. He entered seminary in the fall of 2015 and is in his second year of theology studies. During his time in seminary, Zach has enjoyed the opportunity to serve in many different ministerial roles and to become more familiar with the people of the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Several factors have played into Zach's vocational discernment over the years: a strong relationship with his family, involvement with Life Teen, good mentorship and guidance from priests, and solid friendships. Devotion to the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin are also key factors. When he is not studying and praying, Zach likes to listen to bluegrass or punk music, play golf, stay up to date on his history, participate in the local craft beer scene, and follow the Tampa Bay Rays.