

Christopher Marte - On May 25th, I was born in a hospital in Orlando. I had my Baptism in Fort Myers due to my Godparents living there. At around the age of two my parents and I moved to Clearwater. I have lived in Clearwater ever since then. I had my first communion and confirmation at St. Cecelia, my home parish. I am part of the Spanish community there and I learned all my prayers in Spanish. In my 8th grade year I had my confirmation. I joined the Lifeteen group at my parish the following year and stayed until I graduated. My family consists of my younger brother, mother, and father. My hobbies are music, playing story-based games, and analyzing/solving logical problems. I began thinking about the seminary around my junior year of high-school, though a lot of people began referring me to the priesthood at around the age of eight. What enticed me to go was the ability to go to the chapel in-between classes to speak with the Lord, learning more about my Lord and my religion, and being formed into a respectable man of the Catholic Church. During this last summer I spent time at the Nazareth House of Formation with my brother seminarians. We worked together for six weeks on various projects in the diocese. I am currently in my sophomore year at St. John Vianney College Seminary and I look forward to continuing to grow in my faith.