



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I have great news! Bishop Anthony B. Taylor ordained five men to serve you as priests in May. They are Fathers Brian Cundall, Emmanuel Torres, Alex Smith, Omar Galván and Ben Riley. Two more, Jaime Nieto and Daniel Wendel, were ordained deacons in preparation for priesthood in 2022. With 22 others to be ordained in the next few years, I am simply amazed by God's attention and care for our diocese. He is truly providing for us just as a generous Father would!

"If God can so generously provide shepherds for his flock, then may all of us respond with our own generosity like these young men have."

— Father Jeff Hebert,
vocations director

He is calling out to these men, and, in the midst of a world filled with noise, they have heard and responded to the shepherd's voice with their generous gift of themselves. We need your help to form them into generous priests. Each August, we usually host Taste of Faith dinners to raise funds to educate our seminarians. Last year, we livestreamed this event so everyone could participate online. It was an entertaining evening amid COVID-19 uncertainties.

This year, as society slowly returns to normal, we will provide a similar program on our new website, tasteoffaith.org, Facebook and YouTube. Some of you may even be able to be with us in person as we broadcast from Christ the King Church in Little Rock. We will host a fun and insightful program to help you get to know the seminarians who will be the future pastors in our parishes.

Watch Taste of Faith Live Saturday, Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. on tasteoffaith.org

In the past 11 years, Arkansas Catholics have donated more than \$4 million through Taste of Faith. Your money has been used exclusively for immediate seminarian education expenses. It would be impossible for us to prepare these men for priesthood without your help. Your generosity has been incredible! Please continue to invest in seminarian formation. Donate online at: tasteoffaith.org/give or mail your gift with the enclosed pledge card. And thank you for praying for our seminarians and an increase in vocations.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Jeff Hebert
Vocations Director