

Biography

Mark Jung

Mark was born in Korea in 1992 but moved to the United States when he was 6-years old living in Buena Park. He has one brother and one sister and is the youngest of the three. His mother is a convert to the Catholic faith and introduced it to the family. Mark was Baptized Catholic at the age of 3 and attended Faith Formation both in Korea and in the United States. His mother set the foundation of his faith by taking the children to evening Mass every day, reading the scripture, and praying the rosary every Saturday. In the 4th grade his mother signed him up to be an altar server with his brother, and he became very familiar with the Mass.

As his understanding of the faith grew, he also started to build up resistance as well. In 7th grade, his mother signed the kids up for a summer camp for 7-12th graders. It was at this camp where his defenses that built up against the faith were broken down by a group of religious sisters who prayed over him. After this experience he started to realize the beauty of Mass and scripture.

Later he attended the Steubenville conference in San Diego and started praying about how he could serve God more. The answer that he received was a pull towards the priesthood. He met with several priests to explore this calling to the priesthood and eventually met with the Diocesan Vocation Director who advised him to attend community college for 2 years and then start his application to the Seminary.

In August 2015, Mark entered Mt. Angel Seminary in Oregon to begin formation to the priesthood for the Diocese of Orange. Following his 10-month internship here at St Martin's Parish, Mark will return to Mt. Angel to complete his studies.

Mark looks forward to working and learning lots during his internship at St. Martin De Porres Parish. Please join us in welcoming Mark to our Parish community.