

Don Meziere was born in Inglewood, California but his family moved to Escondido when he was just two years old. The Meziere family began attending Saint Mary parish at that time, which was in 1970. Don attended Saint Mary School through eighth grade and San Pasqual High School, where he graduated in 1986. He attended San Diego State University for two years but left to pursue other career opportunities. The parish of Saint Mary has been instrumental in his spiritual growth. He was an altar boy from first grade through eighth grade, received First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation there, he and his wife Yvonne were married there and has become a deacon for the parish. Don met his wife Yvonne at a bible study which was connected to Saint Mary. They were married in 1995. They do not have children of their own but enjoy their many nieces and nephews very much. Don is a partner with his brothers in a manufacturing business and he has been an amateur drag racer since the age of 17. He has finished in the top 5 in the nation twice in the last 6 years. Don and Yvonne have been involved in music ministry beginning in 1992 at Saint Mary. In 1997 Yvonne and Don started attending Saint Stephen Parish in Valley Center, where they remained for 19 years. Don began playing guitar in 1997. He started a praise band in 2004 which was active in San Diego for 12 years. They returned to Saint Mary in 2016. Don and Yvonne have been involved in a variety of other ministries including RCIA and providing music for youth, marriage, confirmation, men's and women's retreats. Over the course of the last 17 years God's call to the diaconate has been stronger and stronger. Invited by Father Scott to formally begin the process, they interviewed with the Diocese in 2018 and began the diaconate program in late 2019. Since they started in the diaconate program, Yvonne has been serving as the President of the Altar and Rosary Society, Don has been trained as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, sacristan, and now helps with the new Altar Server coordination team. With gratitude to God and your prayers, he has completed the formation process and was ordained with his class in June of 2024. Please continue to keep Don and Yvonne in your prayers, that God's will may be fulfilled in their lives.