



My name is Giang Vu, and I am from Vietnam. I come from a family of five in northern Vietnam, and I am the oldest child. I grew up in a traditional and vibrant Catholic parish. Since I was an altar boy in my home parish, I have felt the desire to become a priest.

I came to the United States nine years ago and have completed my seminary formation at Saint Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. I recently joined the Diocese of Richmond as a seminarian. I hope one day to become a priest so that I can serve God's people and bring the sacraments to them.

Bishop Knestout has assigned me to spend my pastoral year at St. Edward the Confessor Parish. I am very happy and excited to begin my ministry here. St. Edward is a vibrant and active parish, and I am grateful for the opportunity to be with all of you—serving you, learning from you, and walking with you on our journey of faith.

A little more about me: my favorite food is pho, a traditional Vietnamese noodle soup. In my free time, I enjoy going on pilgrimages, fishing, and playing tennis. My favorite saints are St. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Calcutta. My favorite book is *The Road of Hope: A Gospel from Prison* by Cardinal François-Xavier Nguyễn Văn Thuận.

I would like to extend my warmest greetings to all of you and assure you of my prayers. I look forward to meeting you, serving you, and working with you throughout my pastoral year at St. Edward the Confessor Parish.

May God bless you all!

Yours in Christ,
Giang Vu