



Our Men in Black



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the turbulence of every day life

Advice for young people considering a vocation

The priesthood is the most exciting and heroic form of life I can think of. If you want to make a difference and serve God at the same time, this is a wonderful and great way to do it.

Something about you few people would know

I was a lifeguard in high school and I worked as a park ranger in college

Favorite hobby or pastime

I like to read and spend time with my chocolate labs, Frodo and Taggart, and parrots, O'Shane and Rafael.

Favorite saint

St. Patrick and St. Columba because they were both courageous witnesses to the

Gospel who fought against evil in order to bring the love of Christ.

Favorite temporal things

The Lord of the Rings, Smallville and Battlestar Gallactica

Favorite recipe

Christmas Wassail. Every holiday needs good cheer, so: Take ½ gallon cranberry juice, ½ gallon of apple cider, 1 small can frozen lemonade, 1 orange peel encompassed by cloves, 1 tsp allspice suspended in cheesecloth. Several cinnamon sticks. Heat in crockpot or stove (until you can't smell the chocolate labs). If you would like, you may add ¼ to ½ cup of rum. Serve in a mug with fresh cinnamon stick.

Favorite prayer

The Lorica (Breastplate of St. Patrick). It is an ancient prayer that talks about the power of the Trinity in our daily lives and the enfolding love and protection that Christ gives us each moment, every day.

What has been a holy moment for you in your priesthood?

Preaching the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist. These are the 2 central facets in my life.

What have you learned from your brother priests?

Father Al Giaquinto, my seminary rector, who taught me that holiness is found in