

We asked three PFIC graduates,

What are the joys of a new priest?

Acting *in persona Christi* brings some silent exuberance, an exaltation of divine art: crafting the stuff of life into profound, surpassing beauty and offering it up in perfect praise to God.

—Fr. Anthony Giambrone, O.P. (M.Div. & S.T.B., 2006)



In each significant moment of people's life (baptism, marriage, death, etc.), the priest is there to walk with them. To be Christ in these moments is a great responsibility, but also a great joy!

—Fr. Andrew Davy, M.I.C. (M.Div. & S.T.B., 2009)

Hearing the Confessions of non-visible penitents to an invisible God, I hear what love looks like, seeing man's absolute need for God and God's absolving love for man—while sharing in both.

—Fr. Bruno Shah, O.P. (M.Div. & S.T.B., 2008)



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Year for Priests

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Prayer for Priests

Lord Jesus Christ, in order for all to worship you in spirit and truth, you instituted the sacred priesthood. We ask that those you have made sharers in your own priesthood may receive your abundant grace to accomplish worthily the service to which you have deputed them. Amen.

Inspired by St. Thomas Aquinas, O.P.; Summa Theologiae III, q. 63



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