



Meet Fr. Timothy Sanchez, Associate Pastor!

I was born in St. Louis, the third of nine kids (3b,1g,1b,4g), after moving around a bit (St. Petersburg, FL and Hillsborough, NC), we settled in Wisconsin in 2007 (first Franklin, then New Berlin). My Mom homeschooled all of us, and my Dad is a systems librarian at Marquette University. The Catholic faith has always been the most important feature of our life as a family.

Starting in high school, one of the most important parts of my life was the Schoenstatt movement. I attended camps and retreats at the Schoenstatt retreat center in Waukesha, and it was at one of these that I first thought about becoming a priest. I discerned more intentionally at the JPII House while I attended Marquette University, but during that time I decided that the priesthood was not for me, so I made plans to enter graduate studies at Marquette after graduation. I graduated in 2017 with my degree in computational mathematics, but rather than enter grad school right away, I decided to seek good habits (specifically habits of prayer) by offering a year as a campus missionary with Brew City Catholic. This was possibly the best decision I've ever made.

After praying consistently for a number of months, the Lord put it on my heart to reconsider the priesthood. He had been teaching me about myself for quite some time in a variety of ways, such as formation sessions with the missionaries or the Called and Gifted seminar. To make a long story very short, I realized that if it were up to me, I would become a priest, and decided to apply to seminary. I was accepted and began in the fall of 2018, and was ordained on May 17, 2025. One of the things I've learned a lot from being a missionary and going through seminary is the importance of healing



**CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
OF EIGHT IN RACINE**



Meet Fr. Timothy Sanchez, Associate Pastor!

in the Christian life. Healing ministry has become one of my great passions, and I hope to share that joy with all of you.

In other news, I enjoy music, especially playing the piano or sometimes the guitar, most especially in praise and worship contexts. My favorite music group is the Arcadian Wild. I'm pretty good at Spanish, I like hiking, camping, and sports, especially baseball and basketball. I also love spending time with my family. My brother is a priest in Milwaukee (Fr. Edward Sanchez), so some of you may have seen him around. In case you're wondering what you should call me, he goes by Fr. Edward, so I'm going to go by Fr. Timothy. You can also call me Fr. Sanchez, I don't really mind either way.

You're very likely to hear me talking about St. Therese of Lisieux, who is one of my favorite saints and best patrons. I've got a whole litany's worth of other favorite saints, but some of the top ones are St. Timothy, St. Augustine, and St. Josemaria Escriva. Anyway this is long enough, so God bless you!

You can contact Fr. Timothy at frsanchez@cccracine.org



**CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
OF EIGHT IN RACINE**