



Deacon Joseph Menkhaus to be Ordained a Priest

During the past nine years, a seminarian from our parish, Joseph Menkhaus, has been preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood. He has attended both Borromeo Seminary and St. Mary's Seminary. Most recently he has spent a year as a Deacon ministering to the parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

He is the first person from our parish to be called to the Diocesan Priesthood since Fr. Jerome Lukachinsky.

On Saturday, May 21st, Deacon Joseph Menkhaus is scheduled to be ordained a Priest for the Diocese of Cleveland. Bishop Edward Malesic will ordain him and two other Deacons to the Cleveland Diocesan Priesthood at the 10:00 am Mass that morning in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Following this Mass, Fr. Joseph will celebrate with his family near his home. On Sunday morning, Fr. Menkaus will celebrate his "First Mass" at St. Monica Church at 10:45 am. There will be several Priests who will concelebrate this Mass. Also a few Deacons will be present too. He would also like to invite our parishioners to attend this Celebration of his Priesthood. There will be a Reception in the St. Benedict Catholic School Cafeteria immediately following this Mass until 1:30 pm. All parishioners and guests are invited to attend.

We are all proud of the Menkhaus Family for the gift of Joseph to the Priesthood.

Fr. Thomas Haren, Fr. Ted Marszal, Fr. Tom Montavon,
Deacon Stan Drozell, and the Staff of St. Monica Church