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ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Holy Scripture
The Quadriga
Fathers of the Church
Ancient Near Eastern Culture

REV. JOHN JOSEPH OF JESUS CRUCIFIED, CJC

Legal Name: Payton J. Bourque

EDUCATION

Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology

August 2016 – May 2020

Graduated *summa cum laude*; 3.98 GPA; defended a Master Thesis on an exegesis of a pericope in the Book of Jeremiah; Devotional Life Chairman—initiated nighttime Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the NDS Bible Marathon, Λογος Bible Study groups, and St. Joseph's Day outreach for the poor.

St. Joseph's Seminary College

August 2011 – May 2014

Graduated *magna cum laude*; 3.5 GPA (finished college studies in three years because of Advanced Placement credits from high school).

St. Thomas More Catholic High School

August 2007 – May 2011

3.75 GPA; received the Chancellor's Award for excellence in theology and honorable behavior. Completed six Advanced Placement courses; ACT Score: 31.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Student Teaching Experience at St. Thomas More Catholic High School

August 2019–September 2019

Four weeks intensive teaching experience of high school freshmen (two weeks) and juniors (two weeks) in theology classes (seven hours of teaching per day; total of about 500 students).

Religious Life Formation

June 2014–August 2016

Time dedicated to prayer and manual labor for formation in religious life; studied the nature and ends of religious life; cultivated a work ethic and a spirituality of work.

Heleaux's Grocery Cashier/Stocker

Summer 2009–Spring 2011

Part-time job in high school; developed work ethic and money management skills

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Jeremiah, the Prophetic Sign Spoken Against: An Exegesis of Jeremiah 14:1–15:4

Master Thesis

Celibacy: A Prophetic Sign

Presentation delivered and published at Catholic-Orthodox Dialogue (November 13, 2019) hosted by Notre Dame Seminary

Endless Fratricide or Filial Free Will: How the Scriptural Allusions in Steinbeck's East of Eden Divulges Man's Culpability

Paper delivered at the Braniff Conference in the Liberal Arts: Scripture and the Disciplines (February 15, 2019)