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- 1. What would be your best vacation ever?** My favorite vacation would be going to Ireland for three to four weeks. This only narrowly tops going to Japan for the same amount of time.
- 2. What's your favorite recreational activity?** My favorite recreational activity is shooting. I am especially fond of shooting trap, skeet, and sporting clays, but I like pistol and rifle as well.
- 3. What is the last book you read for enjoyment?** The last book I read for fun was *The Hunt for Red October*.
- 4. Who's your favorite super hero?** As far as I am concerned there is only one superhero to ever worry about and that is Batman.
- 5. Who is your favorite saint and why?** Choosing a favorite saint is hard, but I have a top three. My Patron saint is Louis DeMontfort and I depend on him for almost everything. When I read his collected works it was a turning point in my life. At the time I had a deep devotion to Our Lady, and yet he made me realize how important she truly was. St. Peter Julian Eymard and St. John Eudes are also very close for similar reasons.
- 6. How do any of your family members support you?** Most of my immediate family is not Catholic, but they are happy in my choice to study for the priesthood.
- 7. Are your grandparents still alive? Do you know how many cousins you have?** I have one grandmother who is living in Alexandria Minnesota. She is 91. I have nine cousins.
- 8. Before entering the seminary did you experience any doubts?** I have felt God calling me to be a priest since I was a child. I first started talking about it when I was eight or nine. When I entered high school I had made the decision that I was going to apply to enter the seminary, and strangely enough I had no doubts about it. I remember when I finally asked for the application I felt a great peace come over me.
- 9. Did you attend any discernment weekends or camps before applying to become a seminarian? If so, which one(s).** I never attended a discernment weekend.
- 10. What job/work have you enjoyed the most? Is there a job/work that you liked the least?** As far as work experience, I did a lot of different things ranging from working for a vet to being a shooting coach and chaplain for a Boy Scout camp. I worked in retail as well which I didn't like, but my favorite job was working at a cemetery as a grave digger and grounds keeper.