

Thomas PIOPO

Personal Profile

My name is Piopo Thomas Sailor, and I'm one of the seminarians from the Holy Spirit Seminary in Catholic Theological Institute, Bomana (Papua New Guinea). Piopo is my surname.

Family background

My parents are subsistence farmers. I have three sisters and four brothers excluding myself. We are all baptized members of the Catholic Church. One of my sisters died in 1995, leaving two children behind. All my brothers and sisters got married except myself studying for priesthood. The rest of my brothers and sisters are subsistence farmers, except one is a primary school teacher.

Educational Background.

In 1991-1996. I did grade one up to grade six at St. Pius Willame Primary School in Pangia District, South Highlands Province (Papua New Guinea).

In 1997-2000, I did grades eight through grade ten at Pangia Provincial High School.

In 2001-2002, I did grades eleven and twelve at Mongol Secondary School in Mendi, Southern Highlands Province.

In 2003-2006, I was not able to enroll in tertiary institutions due to school fee problems, so I was with my parents at home.

In 2007, I took short courses and worked with the youth of the diocese of Goroka, Eastern Highlands Province (Papua New Guinea).

In 2008, I did an entry test to enter the seminary. I was able to attend minor seminary in St. Fidelis.

In 2009, I did a spiritual year in St. Fidelis (Madang Province-PNG) under the formation of the Capuchins.

In 2010-2012, I completed an Advanced Diploma in Religious Studies.

In 2013, I did my pastoral work in the diocese of Goroka (Eastern Highlands Province).

In 2014, I did the first year of theological studies in Catholic Theological Institute, Bomana. It is a three-year program, so I am still continuing on my studies this year, 2015. I will be finishing with a Bachelor's Degree in year, 2016.

Objective

My goal is to become a Roman Catholic Priest. Becoming a priest is to become a role model of Christ in order to serve the Church of Jesus. My desire and vision is to evangelize the mission of Christ to the whole world by preaching and administering the Holy Sacraments of the universal Church of Christ. I also like to thank the people of goodwill for supporting my studies for the priesthood. I pray that the good Lord will give them good health and fill them their hearts' desires always. Amen.