

My brief vocation story

My name is Damien Rova. I'm from Mai Parish, West New Britain Province under Diocese of Kimbe. I was born in February 6, 1995, at Kimbe General Hospital. My father's name is Paul Rabbe, a counselor, and my mother is Angela Hare, a house wife. I come from a Christian family. There were nine of us, four boys and five girls. I'm the fifth born in the family. My parents are always faithful in upbringing us with the sacraments and teaching of the Catholic Church.

I started my primary education at Laheri Primary School in 2005, where I did my grade one up to grade seven. I successfully completed my grade eight in 2012. In my primary journey I was really enjoying my academics and also fully participated in CRE programs. After I completed my grade eight, in 2013, I was selected to Biella Secondary School. I did my grade nine and ten from 2014-2015. In 2017, I completed my grade 12 at Biella Secondary School. From there, I wrote my interest letter to join the seminary, and they accepted me.

I went to Sacred Heart Inter-Diocesan Seminary Rapolo. I did my two years of propaedeutic there from 2020 to 2021. In 2022, I stayed with my Bishop for a year. In 2023, I did my Spiritual Year program at Good Shepherd Seminary Fatima Banz, Jiwaka Province.

Therefore, currently now in 2024, I do my first year of philosophy in Catholic Theological Institute (CTI). I really love the setting of the environment that is fully in silence and praying.