

# Greg Dougherty - Candidate

**Background:** Thomas Gregory Dougherty, named after his grandfather, goes by his middle name, Greg. He spent the first five years of his life in Grafton, WI, before moving to a relatively quiet northwest suburb of Chicago in East Dundee, IL. A graduate of St. Edward High School in Elgin, IL, Greg was active in sports, lettering in football, baseball and wrestling. His favorite subject was always Theology. He attended Middle Tennessee State University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree.

Prior to entering religious formation, Greg served in prison ministry for seven years at Warren Correctional institution, a state prison in Ohio. He also lived and worked at a mission in Northern Kentucky serving the poor and marginalized. One of his passions has been working to spread the Message of Fatima, including completion of a 1,200 mile rowing expedition from Miami to NY in celebration of the Jubilee Year of Fatima. Greg is currently ministering at St. Catherine's High School in Racine, WI.

**Why the Salvatorians:** Greg says he felt very close to God throughout his youth, and shared that he first heard God calling him to the priesthood as a teenager. "I'm drawn to the Salvatorians by the charisms of the Founder, Fr. Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan," said Greg. "I feel called to religious life because of the strength found by community living. I hope to find the joy of living in a community bonded in the love of Jesus Christ through Our Lady."

**Hobbies:** Some of his hobbies include cooking, gardening, fishing canoeing, hiking, camping, conversation and sports in general. However, what most people do not know about him is that he plays the ukulele. "I picked it up while ministering to prisoners at Warren Correctional," he shared. It was small enough to bring into the prison without trouble and was a fun way of introducing prisoners to spiritual hymns."

**Favorite Dessert:** Bread pudding with bourbon glaze (New Orleans' style)!

**Favorite Movie(s):** The Mission, Braveheart, A Long Way Down, and Heaven Knows Mr. Allison to mention just a few.

**Favorite Author/Book:** "Imitation of Christ," by Thomas a Kempis

**Favorite Song(s):** Ave Maria, Salve Regina and lots of others!

**Favorite Quote:** "Proclaim the Truth and do not remain silent through fear." – St. Catherine of Siena

**Favorite Bible Passage:** "Do whatever He tells you." John 2:5

