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### REDEMPTORIS MATE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SEMINARY - DALLAS, TX - USA

#### **ADMISSIO AD ORDINES**

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of January Roshan Fernandes and Tymoteusz Ksiazkiewicz were both formally admitted to candidacy to be priests for the Diocese of Dallas. The celebration of the Eucharist, which included the Rite of Admission to Candidacy, was presided over by Bishop Gregory Kelly. In the rite the intention of receiving Holy Orders is expressed publicly by the two candidates. The Bishop then accepts the candidate's intention.



The Rite of Admission to Candidacy comes after many years of formation. It is also a point of discernment where the Church recognises, through tangible signs that God is bringing the candidate's vocation to priesthood to maturity. The friends and families from the Neocatechumenal Way joined Roshan and Tymoteusz in the celebration of this most significant day on their journey to ordination.



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## Christmas Concerts

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We had the pleasure, as is now our tradition for many years, to perform Christmas Concerts in different parishes throughout the diocese. These concerts give us the opportunity to share in the joy of the Nativity of the Lord with others from around Diocese of Dallas. We are grateful to those parishes that welcomed us this year; The Cathedral Shrine of Our Lady of

Guadalupe, Our Lady of the Pillar, Saint Augustine, Saint Patrick, Good Shepherd in Garland, and Saint Michael the Archangel in Garland. It is always very important for us to see how many people of the diocese attend and participate in the concerts to support us here at the Redemptoris Mater seminary.





#### **CELEBRATION OF THE EPIPHANY**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of January, the seminarians had the privilege to celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany with some of the parishioners from St. Patrick and St Joseph's. It was a happy night for all of us who took part in this Festivity. We prayed the Evening Prayer and sang Christmas Songs together. All of our seminarians are very grateful to the people of St. Patrick and St Joseph who always put a lot effort to be with us on this special day.







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# REDEMPTORIS MATER SEMINARY OF DALLAS



A fter these thirteen years of the presence of the Redemptoris Mater seminary in the Diocese of Dallas, we are starting to see the first fruits of the Seminary. There are six priests ordained: Fr. Alan McDonald (Vice Rector of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary), Fr. Paolo Capra (Pastor in Saint Elizabeth, Bonham, TX.) Fr. Luca Simbula (Parochial Vicar at Saint Augustine), Fr. Juan Carlos (Parochial Vicar at St. Michael the Archangel in McKinney), Fr. Daniel Rendon (Parochial Vicar at Mary Immaculate), and Fr. Javier Diaz (Parochial Vicar at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton). This year on May 26<sup>th</sup>, with great anticipation we await the Priestly Ordinations of Deacons Michal Markievich and Giuseppe Spoto. This will build on our joy of already celebrating the ordinations to the diaconate of Roshan Fernandes and Tymoteusz Ksiazkiewicz in April.

We were very honored to be joined by Holy Trinity Seminary on the thiteenth anniversary of the founding of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary here in the Diocese of Dallas. On December the eighth, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, both seminaries of the Diocese gathered together to celebrate Evening prayer, followed by a marvellous dinner and friendship.



*"By their Fruits you shall know them" Mt 7;15-20* 



*In this picture the first priests ordained from the Redemptoris Mater meet with Bishop Emeritus Grahaman (at the center top) in his visit to the Seminary on June twenty first of 2017. Bishop Grahaman had the vision and courage of erecting the Redemptoris Mater Seminary in the Diocese of Dallas. After thirteen years we are able to see the first fruits of our Seminary.* 



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