



# SAINT VINCENT SEMINARY

Saint Vincent Seminary is an excellent regional seminary that educates good, faithful, prayerful priests who endure in the ministry.  
(91.4% over 27 years • 96.49% over 10 years)

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Vincent Seminary is a Roman Catholic Seminary grounded in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the living tradition of the Church in accord with the Magisterium, and shaped by the Benedictine heritage of liturgical prayer, study, hospitality and community. As such, the Seminary is a center for the spiritual formation, human development, and academic and pastoral preparation of candidates for the priesthood. Consistent with this primary mission and responsive to the contemporary needs of the Church, the Seminary provides programs for permanent diaconate candidates and offers degree programs to qualified men and women seeking a theological education.

Studies at the Seminary begins with a rigorous Pre-Theology Formation for those who need, which includes the possibility of earning an MA degree. Both this program and the priestly formation program build upon the four Pillars of Priestly Formation (PPF5) and provide a firm foundation for ongoing discernment of the call to priestly ordination, and exposure to the ever-expanding role of the priest in leadership, evangelization, and ministry.

- Master of Arts: Catholic Philosophical Studies
- Master of Divinity (both ordination and non-ordination tracks)
- Master of Arts in Ecclesial Ministry (for Permanent Diaconate, but also with a lay track)
- Master of Arts: Monastic Studies
- Master of Arts: Sacred Scripture
- Master of Arts: Systematic Theology
- Pontifical Bachelor of Sacred Theology (STB)



Nearly 3000 men have been ordained priests from Saint Vincent Seminary since 1854. Founded in 1846, Saint Vincent Seminary is the fourth oldest Roman Catholic Seminary in the United States. Among its distinguished alumni are 29 bishops, archbishops, and cardinals.

Of the 322 alumni ordained to the priesthood since 1989, 294 (91.4%) remain (or have died) in active priestly ministry. In the past ten years, 114 priests have been ordained and 110 remain in priestly ministry, a 96.49% retention rate.

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