Jeremy R. Hiers, OSA



Fr. Jeremy Hiers was born in Cincinnati, OH. Prior to entering the Order of Saint Augustine, he completed his undergraduate studies in Computer Information Systems and Mathematics at Thomas More College in 2003. He then earned an M.S. in Management of Information Technology from the University of Virginia in 2007. From 2003 till 2015 he worked for the U.S. Army where he led several project offices responsible for the acquisition and implementation of various enterprise IT systems.

While he was raised Lutheran, he discerned a call to enter the Roman Catholic Church in 2010. Five years later he joined the Augustinians in 2015. Fr. Jeremy completed his seminary studies at Catholic Theological Union in May 2021 and was ordained to the priesthood on June 26, 2021. He then served at the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia as the Director of Evangelization and Discipleship, responsible for overseeing several outreach initiatives in addition to sacramental ministry. He then served as Director for the Office of Justice and Peace where he oversaw strategic coordination of several Justice & Peace ministries.

He presently serves as the Vocation Director where he is responsible for promoting vocations and accompanying people as they discern a call to religious life.

Fr. Jeremy has been involved with various forms of prison ministry for over 27 years. During this he has served in state and local correctional facilities, pen pal programs, re-entry programs, and has led advocacy and educational programming to raise awareness of the issues of Mass Incarcertation. He has also accompanied several members of his own family who have faced incarceration.