

# Milwaukee Resident to be Ordained by Salvatorians

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Dcn. Silas S. Henderson, S.D.S., will be ordained to the priesthood by the Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorians) on Monday, June 24, at the Basilica of St. Josaphat, Milwaukee. The Most Bishop Jeffrey R.



✠✠ Dcn. Silas S. Henderson.  
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Haines, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee will celebrate. Henderson's Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated the following day, June 25, at St. Pius X Parish, Wauwatosa.

Formerly employed by the Milwaukee Catholic Herald, Br. Silas was ordained a deacon in 2021 and is ministering as a member of the Society's USA Provincial Council, as its Director of Planning and as the spiritual director for the Salvatorian Center. In 2023, Dcn. Henderson was elected to serve as Chair of Region V on the Board of Directors of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men.

"Dcn. Silas brings a rich background in liturgical ministry as well as skills for the written word that is both

informative and accessible to the reader," said Fr. Peter Schuessler, S.D.S., USA Province Provincial and Director of Formation. "As a priest, he will make God's word come alive, a talent he has already shown many times by the retreats and talks that he has given around the country. I have no doubt he will be a blessing to the Salvatorian family and to all those we serve."

With nearly 20 years in religious life (including 11 years as a Benedictine monk before becoming a Salvatorian), Dcn. Henderson holds a bachelor of arts in philosophy from St. Joseph Seminary College, St. Benedict, Louisiana; a master of theological studies from St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in St. Meinrad, Indiana; and an ecumenical doctor of ministry degree from Catholic Theological Union of Chicago.

Dcn. Henderson first became involved in adult faith formation and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults while serving in parish ministry in Louisville, Kentucky. Since then, he has offered parish missions, workshops, retreats and other faith formation programs in more than a dozen states.