



## PROFILE

I am a caring and encouraging minister who brings professionalism and a wealth of experiences, especially as a leader.

Through years of training and experience in pastoral care, I have become a gifted listener.

My background includes international experiences, having lived and worked overseas for over 16 years of my life, in both secular and religious spheres.

**Religious Vows:** June 3, 2002  
**Priestly Ordination:** July 11, 2006

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## HOBBIES

Reading  
Foreign Languages  
Travel  
Cooking  
Origami

# EMIEL ABALAHIN, O. CARM.

## EDUCATION

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**Fordham University**  
2022 – Present  
Certificate in Spiritual Direction

**Pontifical Gregorian University**  
2010 - 2012  
License in Spirituality. Graduated summa cum laude

**Washington Theological Union**  
2003 - 2005  
Certificate in Carmelite Studies

**Seton Hall University**  
2001-2003  
MA in Theology with a concentration in Fundamental Theology

**Pontifical Gregorian University**  
1995-1999  
Baccalaureate in Theology

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Church of the Transfiguration (Tarrytown), Pastor**  
2016-2022

As leader of the faith community, I fostered prayerful fraternity among the congregation, and managed the day-to-day operations and function of the school and church facilities. I maintained a constant presence throughout the pandemic and other challenging situations. I educated parishioners on topics from theology and spirituality to the science on vaccines. I provided one-on-one spiritual support through individual meetings.

**St. Jude (Boca Raton), Parochial Vicar**

2005-2010

I revived the teen ministry in the parish and started a successful young adult ministry, in addition to giving presentations to RCIA and elementary school classes.

In addition to the parish ministry, I also ministered as chaplain to the Newman Club at Florida-Atlantic University and Pope John Paul II High School, and served as spiritual director to our local Lay Carmelite community.

**Carmelite Fathers, Religious**

2000–Present

I have organized conferences, given days of reflection, taught spirituality, translated at international conferences, and taken leadership roles on both the community and provincial levels.

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**MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCES**

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**St. Simon Stock (Bronx), Community Prior and Priest-in-Residence**

2022-Present

As the prior of the religious community, I animate the community and facilitate communication and cooperation among the members. I also coordinate with the pastor in ensuring a harmonious relationship between the community and the parish.

As a priest-in-residence, I collaborate with the parish pastoral team in ministering to the local community. I also help out in several parishes as needed with ministering the sacraments, and giving presentations and talks, focused primarily on the Hispanic population.

**San Giorgio Pastoral Community (Casatenovo), priest**

2006-2016

I assisted the parish priests in serving the community at Christmas and Holy Week and Easter. The ministry was carried out entirely in Italian, and required me to work with various groups in the constituent parishes.

**Lenox Hill Hospital, Clinical Pastoral Education**

Summer 2004

As part of the program, I learned to work with other student ministers in an interreligious and multicultural context in serving the staff and patients and meeting their spiritual, religious and emotional needs.

**Cathedral of St. Matthew, Intern**

2002-2003

I worked on developing programs for young adults under the guidance of a mentor. In the process, I learned how to encourage group participation as a leader.

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**SKILLS**

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- Conversation fluency in Italian and Spanish
- Teaching and Presenting
- Spiritual Accompaniment
- Marriage Preparation
- Musical Direction
- Up to date in *Praesidium* and *Safe Spaces* training