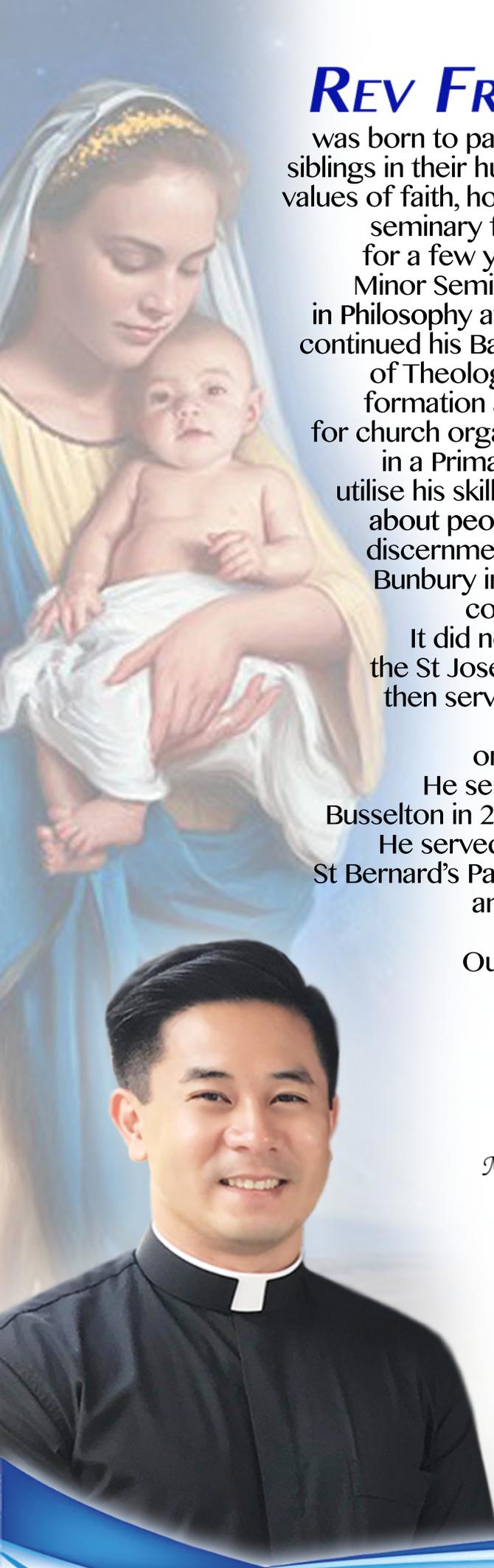


REV FR FRANCIS CONSTANTINO



was born to parents Teresita and Virgilio and grew up with his four siblings in their humble home in the Philippines where he learned the values of faith, hope and love within the family. Father Francis started seminary formation at the age of 13, after serving as altar boy for a few years in his hometown parish. From the St Augustine Minor Seminary, he continued and earned his Bachelor Degree in Philosophy at San Carlos Seminary, Makati City in 2001 and then continued his Bachelor Degree in Theology at the Graduate School of Theology at the same seminary. In 2005, he took a break in formation and worked as a freelance graphic design specialist for church organisations and business corporations while teaching in a Primary Catholic School. During this time, he was able to utilise his skills, meet challenges, experience joys and learn more about people from all walks of life. After a period of prayerful discernment, he applied and was accepted for the Diocese of Bunbury in Western Australia in the year 2008, and was able to continue his formation at St Charles Seminary in Perth. It did not take long before he was ordained as a deacon at the St Joseph's Parish, Manjimup on the 26th of February 2010 then served as a Deacon at the St Thomas Parish, Claremont; and ordained as a priest in the Diocese of Bunbury on the 30th of March 2011 by Bishop Gerard Holohan. He served as an Associate Priest at the St Joseph's Parish, Busselton in 2011-2015; St Patrick's Cathedral Parish in 2015-2016. He served as Parish Priest at the St Patrick's Parish-Katanning, St Bernard's Parish-Kojonup, Our Lady of Fatima Parish-Broomehill and St Michael's Parish-Tambellup in 2016 - July 2019. He is currently the Parish Priest at the Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish, Dunsborough.

PRAYER FOR FR FRANCIS:

*O God, true and faithful Shepherd,
we thank you for loving us, your flock,
by sending us a new priest in the person of
FR FRANCIS CONSTANTINO.*

*May we open our hearts, our homes and our community
to his pastoral solicitude and spiritual guidance.*

*May we be gifted with love and friendship with him;
cooperation and collaboration with him;*

*a new sense of mission
through his inspiration and leadership.*

*May we see him as he truly is - your humble presence;
as a servant-leader in our midst.*

*May he share with us the mercy of Jesus the Lord;
the gift of the Spirit that he possesses
as your priest and our brother.*

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.