



## **Mark Rachid**

### **Diaconate Formation**

### **Internship Year**

Home Parish: St Philip Neri Linthicum – 25 years

Mark is the office manager at St Philip Neri Catholic Church in Linthicum, Maryland. Mark and his wife, Carmen, live in Linthicum and have four children and four grandchildren.

Mark was a restaurant manager in the Baltimore metropolitan area for 25 years as a general manager and Maryland area training manager for several restaurant concepts. Before his career serving the public and mentoring a young workforce, he was an NCO in the United States Air Force Intelligence Command with assignments overseas and at NSA. He began working for the Catholic Church at St Philip Neri in September 2015.

*My call, by God, to become a deacon has been a lifelong journey. My life and career is defined by service and self-sacrificing love for family and all those I have met through the years. Whether in the hospitality industry, service to our country, or life in the Church, love of my family and the family of God has made me who I am today. Christ's presence and following His teachings are the motivating forces that keep me serving God and my sisters and brothers. With the grace of God and help of the Holy Spirit, I look forward to a fruitful internship at Our Lady of the Fields.*