

Meet Ken Dawson

My name is Ken Dawson, and the Archdiocese of Atlanta has assigned me to work with Fr. Byrd at Our Lady of the Mountains here in Jasper. I will begin my Pastoral Year in early February. I am in training to be a Permanent Deacon and I am in the middle of my third year of that five-year program. My family and I have been parishioners at St. Brendan the Navigator in Cumming for three years now, where my wife and I have participated in many ministries over the years. We have also been members of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity for 15 years. My wife, Christine and I have eight children, seven of whom are still living at home with us. Their names are Caity (who is married), at home we have, Brian, Allie, Mary, Brigid, Rachel, John and Bernadette. The whole family is involved in our parish in Cumming through many ministries. I went to the University of Maryland for Aerospace Engineering and my biggest hobby is to follow NASA and SpaceX rocket launches. In my professional life, I am in software development, and I work as a CIO for a tech company. As we get to know each other over the next year, you'll learn that while I was baptized as a Catholic, I received no other sacraments of formation until my conversion in 2001. I am grateful to God for the opportunity to study and share my Catholic faith with others. I look forward to getting to know the wonderful families at OLM.

