



Proud to Be a Catholic

I celebrate today as a new Catholic with my St. Stephen community! The journey to becoming Catholic was a long road for me, but God walked with me each step of the way and on October 2, 2010 at the 4:00 Mass the reality of becoming Catholic came true. It was God's time. It was amazing to feel the power of the Holy Spirit when Msgr. Scully laid his hands upon my head, anointed me and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation. The tears rolled down my face when I was able to receive Jesus for the first time as Father Mike share this beautiful moment with me. I was able to experience the compassion and the true presence of Jesus I longed for so long. I experienced a closeness with God that I had never felt before that moment.



My prayer for everyone is that they too can experience this spiritual blessing and grace in their lives. I am thankful for the support of all who journeyed along side me. My thanks to my dear wife, Rosemary whose courage, love and dedication never wavered, Al Roberto, Reuben Persaud, Jeanne Schneider, Rosie Bridges and most of all St. Stephen community in which I am so blessed to be a part of. God Bless You All!

Ray DeMarco,
Catholic man of God!