



S. E. Monsignor Santo Marcianò was born in Reggio Calabria on April 10, 1960. He studied Economics and Commerce at the University of Messina, from which he graduated and obtained his degree in 1982. The following year he began the path of formation towards the priesthood at the Pontifical Roman Major Seminary; in 1987, he received a bachelor's degree in theology from the Pontifical Lateran University.

He was ordained a priest on April 9, 1988, in the Cathedral of Reggio Calabria. In 1990 he obtained a Doctorate in Sacred Liturgy at the Pontifical Athenaeum "S. Anselmo."

From 1988 to 1991 he was the pastor in S. Croce Parish in Santa Venere (RC), and until 1996 he was a parish vicar in S. Maria del Divino Soccorso Parish in Reggio Calabria. From 1991 to 1996, he was the Spiritual Father of the Pius XI Major Seminary, and in 1996 he became the Rector of the same seminary.

At seminary, he also was a professor of Liturgy and Sacramental Theology. In 2000, he became the Director of the Diocesan Vocations Center. In the Archdiocese of Reggio Calabria-Bova, he was also a member of the Liturgical Pastoral Commission, President of the College of Auditors, and a member of the College of Consultors. In 1997 he was appointed canon of the Metropolitan Chapter. He was appointed to be the Episcopal Vicar for the Permanent Diaconate and Ministries and therefore became a member by right of the Presbyteral Council and the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

He was appointed as the Bishop of Rossano-Cariati on May 6, 2006, and received his episcopal consecration on June 21, 2006. From 2006 to 2013, he was Secretary of the Episcopal Conference of Calabria.

On October 10, 2013, Pope Francis appointed him Military Ordinary Archbishop for Italy. He is currently secretary of the Episcopal Commission for Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue of the Italian Episcopal Conference.