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FOR THE DIOCESE OF SAINT CLOUD

ADVANCING CATHOLIC FORMATION

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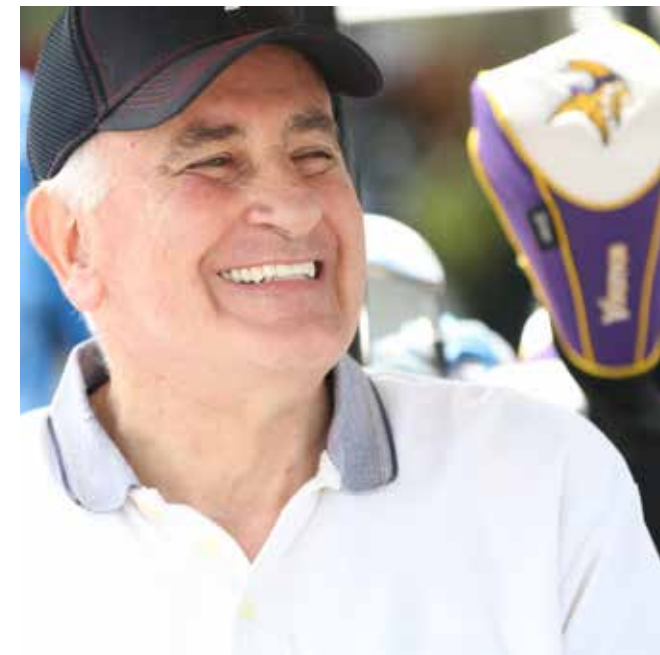
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DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRIST,

For nearly 20 years, the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Saint Cloud has been serving our parishes, Catholic schools, and our Catholic families who want to make an investment in the future of the Church by using the gifts with which they have been so richly blessed.

The Foundation sponsors a number of events throughout the year that benefit the local Church thanks to the generosity of participants. These include a charitable golf tournament that raises thousands of dollars for seminarian education, a "Breakfast with the Bishop" gathering that assists Catholic elementary school families with tuition costs, and a technology giveaway for Catholic school classrooms.

Additionally, the Foundation distributes grants each year to further support the ministry of Catholic schools as well as parish faith formation initiatives for adults and youth.

The Foundation also offers many planned-giving opportunities that allow individuals and families to meet their charitable needs either by contributing to one of the funds it already holds or starting their own fund to benefit a specific cause, interest or spiritual goal.

Please take some time to read this annual report which highlights all the good work being done by the Catholic Foundation to foster good stewardship and build up the kingdom of God – now and for future generations.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Donald J. Kettler

BISHOP OF SAINT CLOUD

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DONNA DOHMEN
BOARD CHAIR

GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION.

Once again it is that time of year we get to share with you the annual report and all the wonderful things that your donations have made possible.

We continue to have great success with our Catholic Schools Scholarship Fund. This year we will be issuing \$300 scholarships to 115 deserving students all over the diocese. Our annual "Breakfast with the Bishop" has become a very popular event and continues to help in our efforts to fund these scholarships.

Also, the Bishops' Annual Golf Tournament, another well attended event, helps fund our Seminarian Education Fund. Without this fund, many of our young men of the diocese would be unable to receive the education necessary to enter the priesthood.

I also want to take a moment to say, "Thank You" to Curt Hanson, our past executive director. Curt retired this spring and leaves the foundation poised to grow in our mission to serve the diocese and advance our Catholic faith.

David Eickhoff will be joining the staff of the Catholic Foundation in September as our new executive director. Some of you may recognize David's name. He worked as the finance officer for the diocese about 12 years ago. We feel that his previous experiences and connections within the diocese will prove to be major assets to the Foundation.

On behalf of the entire board of directors, thank you again for all your financial support and prayers. We will continue to be good stewards of your financial gifts and work to use those gifts to advance our Catholic faith.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

● **\$192,810**

2017-18 Living the Promise (LTP) Grant Distributions

Since 2004, \$2,552,693 has been distributed in LTP Grants

● **\$770,853**

2017-18 Seminarian Education and Support Funds Distributions

● **\$51,326**

2017-18 CEM Scholarship for Religious Education



● **34,500**

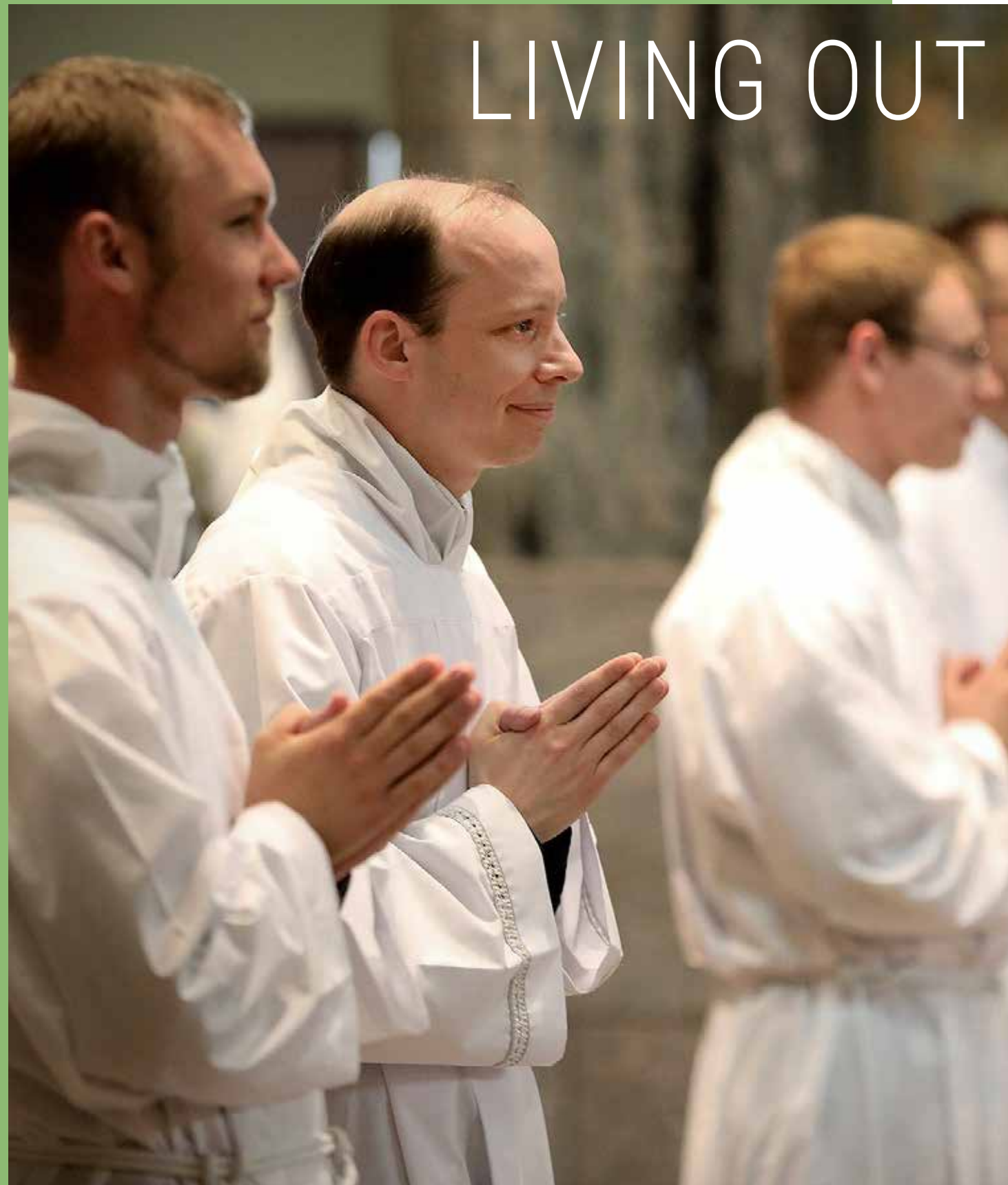
2017-18 – 115 Catholic Schools Student Scholarships Awarded

● **\$13,462**

2017-18 Stearns County Schools Endowment Distributions Shared between the 13 Catholic schools in Stearns County

Distributions since 2004: \$212,528
No distributions in 2008, 2009, 2010

LIVING OUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH



The single thread that weaves together nearly all of our donors is their profound desire to pass on their Catholic faith and to help others to fully live it out.

For Alfred Enneking, part of the legacy he wanted to leave behind was to support seminarian education. Enneking, who passed away in 2008, raised his family with his wife, Alverna, in the small town of Spring Hill.

The couple had six children, including two sons who became priests — Crosier Father Tom Enneking, who serves as the prior provincial for the Crosier Fathers and Brothers in the United States and resides in Phoenix, Arizona, and Father Marvin Enneking, who serves as the pastor of the parishes of St. Michael in Spring Hill, St. Mary in Melrose, St. John the Baptist in Meire Grove and St. Andrew in Greenwald.

Both priests agree that their home was solid ground for discerning their vocations. The Ennekings had a family band that played at various gatherings. Once a year, usually in December, they visited and performed for the Poor Clare Sisters in Sauk Rapids.

"We lived our faith a lot in our home — regular prayer, going to church, singing in the choir. Both of [our] parents were very involved at St. Michael's. All of that created an environment where vocations could grow," Father Tom said.

Father Marv agreed that his parents were supportive of all vocations.

"Whatever vocation we would have chosen, they supported, whether it was married life, religious life, the priesthood. They were right there to encourage us, to tell us that if this is what God is calling you to, you need to listen. There was never any push. It was all about living out our faith," he said.

Father Marv first thought he might be called to the priesthood in about seventh grade. His parents encouraged him to visit with their parish priests. Later, when Father Tom began his discernment with the Crosiers, Father Marv recalls visiting him in various assignments during his formation process.

"As I would go see and visit with him, it stirred in me again my earlier thoughts of being a priest," Father Marv recalled. "And I have never regretted it. Seeing people come to faith and enter into a relationship with God is what gives me the joy of priesthood. Building the kingdom is what it is all about."

Father Tom said that his parents were "very supportive of vocations and assisting with financial costs for those in the seminary."

"They were very supportive of the Crosiers, helping to meet the needs for my formation and they did the same for the diocesan priests. It doesn't surprise me that they established

this fund to ensure that support would continue," he said.

The Alfred Enneking Seminary Fund is one of at least 14 funds that have been established to help prepare solid, faithful, compassionate men of God to serve as priests in the Diocese of St. Cloud. This fund annually contributes to the financial support of those studying for the priesthood.

Father Derek Wiechmann, who was ordained in 2017, is currently serving as parochial vicar at the parishes of Holy Spirit, St. Anthony and St. John Cantius in St. Cloud. He is appreciative of the bigheartedness of Alfred Enneking and all of the others who helped contribute to his formation both spiritually and financially.

"Support from the Catholic Foundation has made my education for priesthood possible," Father Wiechmann said. "I am most grateful for the generosity of all the people who have contributed. My time in seminary was invaluable, and now in my second year as a priest, I still look back fondly on all that

I have learned. Without the Catholic Foundation's support, it wouldn't have been possible."

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— Father Derek Wiechmann

Although most of the 14 funds have been designed to defray tuition costs and room and board for seminarians, other funds have more specific purposes. For example, the Monica Dehler Memorial Fund helps offset expenses of the diocesan Vocation Office. The Jake and Gertrude Kinzer Fund was

established primarily to ensure that a colorful poster depicting the seminarians would be available each year in all the parishes throughout the diocese.

"In this day and age, there have never been greater demands on what a priest has to do in parish life," said Father Scott Pogatchnik, director of the diocesan Vocation Office. "The work they do requires them to learn more about the business aspects of parish life, even to learn new languages and to learn to relate to and engage in other cultures.

"As a priest's ministry becomes more diverse, we also have to find creative ways to form our seminarians and to find resources to help provide formation opportunities," he said.

One of the ways the funds at the Catholic Foundation help to form young men in formation is to cover expenses for retreats.

"Spirituality is at the center of everything they do," Father Pogatchnik said. "They need time away to grow in their relationship with the Lord. These funds help to provide deep spiritual enrichment, not only to develop good natural leaders but good spiritual fathers. That's the ultimate goal — to form hearts to be compassionate, zealous spiritual fathers."

SPONSORSHIPS & EVENTS

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BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP

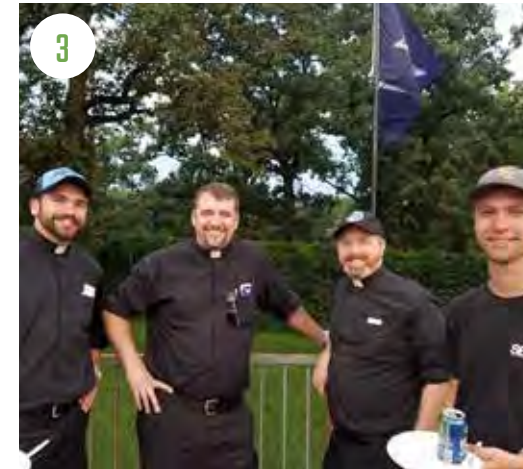
May
Benefiting the Catholic Schools Student Scholarship Fund



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BISHOP'S CHARITABLE GOLF TOURNAMENT

June
Benefiting the Seminarian Education Fund



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PRIESTS' NIGHT OUT

July
Sharing our appreciation with priests from around the diocese.



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RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION

August
Co-sponsor – in appreciation for the spirit of and commitment to rural life.



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ACTOBERFEST

October
A community and fellowship building event to benefit diocesan youth formation activities.



CHARITABLE GIVING AND THE 2017 TAX REFORM ACT



KEVIN SPELLACY
BOARD MEMBER

THE 2017 TAX REFORM ACT DOES AWAY WITH PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS AND MOST OF THEIR DEDUCTIONS IN EXCHANGE FOR A NEAR DOUBLING OF THE STANDARD DEDUCTION. WHILE THE CHARITABLE DEDUCTION SURVIVED THE CHOPPING BLOCK, MANY, IF NOT MOST MIDDLE INCOME TAX PAYERS, WILL BE BETTER OFF USING THE STANDARD DEDUCTION. SOME TAX ADVISORS HAVE OFFERED A COUPLE OF IDEAS WHICH MAY ALLOW DONORS TO SAVE SOME INCOME TAX

WHILE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE NEW STANDARD DEDUCTION.

The first idea involves combining two years of charitable contributions into a single tax year, which allows the taxpayer to claim itemized deductions in the first tax year which exceed the standard deduction. The taxpayer accomplishes this by prepaying the charitable contributions for the second tax year before the end of the first tax year. In the following year, the taxpayer uses the standard deduction.

A different opportunity takes advantage of the IRA Charitable Rollover law, which is available for taxpayers who have attained the age of 70½. Anyone in that age group with an IRA knows that she must draw annual Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) from the IRA, which increases the taxpayer's income tax. The IRA Charitable Rollover law allows the taxpayer to satisfy her RMD by arranging with her IRA custodian to make a direct transfer of the RMD to her favorite charities, which allows her to legally avoid the extra income tax. Since the IRA Charitable Rollover avoids the recognition of income, rather than giving rise to a charitable deduction, the taxpayer can take advantage of the substantially larger standard deduction. With some advance planning, a taxpayer can use her IRA Required Minimum Distribution to fund all or part of the charitable contributions which she would have made anyway, and possibly save thousands in income taxes.

There are several ways for a donor to leave a meaningful legacy and benefit the mission of the Catholic Foundation (at right).

4 Ways to Leave a Legacy Gift to the Catholic Foundation

1. **Direct Bequests:** A gift can be in the form of a bequest or devise under your will or trust. You might direct that it be used to fund your Family Endowment or your Memorial Fund.
2. **Family Endowments:** The principal of your gift will be invested by the Catholic Foundation. Annual distributions, amounting to approximately 4.5 percent of the fund balance, will be given to the parish or other charity which you have designated in your fund agreement with the Catholic Foundation.
3. **Memorial Funds:** The fund is established in your family name or another name of your choosing. Distributions from the fund are made on an annual basis to a cause which you have designated in your fund agreement.
4. **Life Income Plans:** These are trusts or gift annuities that you fund with your donation. You will receive annual income payments during your lifetime. On your death, the remaining balance of the trust or annuity contract will be distributed to the Catholic Foundation and could be used to establish your family endowment or your memorial fund.



SAINTS ANNE & JOACHIM FUND

The Sts. Anne and Joachim Fund helps train teachers of excellence in the highly effective, scientific, and simple method of natural family planning.

NFP teachers extend their commitment beyond the scientific knowledge of a woman's fertility to an approach that also rightly values the gifts of life and love.

NFP ministry involves the following:

- Instruction on human fertility and procreation, including fundamental education about the fertility cycle and how to interpret the physiological signs of fertility;
- Enabling couples to understand motivation and other factors that affect their decision-making with regard to responsible parenthood;
- Fostering a moral commitment and spirituality that integrates wholesome attitudes toward parenting and family life – as exemplified by the lives of Sts. Anne and Joachim, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Education will help couples become proficient and confident in using NFP, and the Catholic Foundation is committed to supporting these efforts.

For more information, contact the Catholic Foundation at 320-258-7653.



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION
FOR THE DIOCESE OF SAINT CLOUD

Advancing Catholic Formation



**MERLE
FELLING**

BOARD MEMBER

I'm a lifelong member of Our Lady of the Angels Parish in Sauk Centre and have been a board member of the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Saint Cloud for the last seven years. It has not only been a pleasure to serve, but I feel it has been a duty of mine to help promote the Foundation's work, which focuses on so many important needs of the Church, including Catholic education and Catholic schools throughout our diocese. Last year, for example, the Foundation awarded 213 scholarships to Catholic school students. In 2017-2018, it continued its ongoing support of our seminarians' education to the tune of \$771,000, and almost \$52,000 went to religious education scholarships. The Foundation helps as well with many smaller endeavors throughout our St. Cloud Diocese led by Bishop Donald Kettler.

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The Catholic Foundation's fundraising efforts, along with the approximately \$20 million it is entrusted to manage, also benefit various parishes and schools, earning approximately a 10 percent return for those that entrust their funds to the Foundation. I am very proud of the work that the Catholic Foundation has done and continues to do throughout the diocese.

Anyone with questions about the Foundation can ask either their pastor or any of the board members, including myself at 320-267-3397. It is truly a strong financial arm for our Catholic ministries throughout the diocese.

FINANCIALS

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AS OF 6/30/2018

The Catholic Foundation's Financial Report highlights wise investment strategy, carried forth by talented and experienced advisors. We hope it will fill our current and future constituents with confidence. Most important to the board of directors and staff of the foundation, however, is the impact of our efforts. Financial success is not an end unto itself. It is the means by which we serve our sisters and brothers in Christ throughout the diocese. How many organizations benefited from our sponsorships? How many seminarians receive support as they discern their vocations? How many parish funds outpaced the rate of inflation? By these and other like measures, the foundation sets its sights.

| INVESTMENTS | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash / Miscellaneous | 886,964 |
| Fixed Income | 6,847,823 |
| Domestic Equity | 8,130,684 |
| Intl. Equity | 3,954,432 |
| Alternative Investments | 2,530,543 |
| TOTAL INVESTMENTS | 22,350,446 |

| ASSETS | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash | 124,504 |
| Pledges | 9,518 |
| Total Investments | 22,350,446 |
| Dues from Related Organizations | 88,417 |
| Beneficial Interest in Annuities | 66,684 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 22,639,569 |

| LIABILITIES | |
|---|-------------------|
| Accounts Payable | 7,295 |
| Grants Payable | 211,131 |
| Funds Held for Others | 14,551,817 |
| LIABILITIES | 14,770,243 |
| EQUITY RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED | 7,869,326 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES and EQUITIES | 22,639,569 |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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PRESIDENT \ DIOCESE OF SAINT CLOUD



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CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FUNDS

LIVING THE PROMISE

LTP ADULT FAITH FORMATION ENDOWMENT
LTP CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT
LTP YOUTH FAITH FORMATION ENDOWMENT

SEMINARIAN AND VOCATION FUNDS

4TH YEAR SEMINARIANS
AL ZYLLA & CATHERINE ZYLLA SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP
ALFRED ENNEKING SEMINARY FUND
ANTON AND AGNES MUELLER
BERNARD & LORETTA SCHWIETERS SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP
EBENSTEINER SCHOLARSHIP
IDA EINYK SCHOLARSHIP
KINZER SEMINARIANS MARKETING
MARGARET O. GRUENES SEMINARY FUND
MONICA DEHLER VOCATION OFFICE MEMORIAL FUND
MUELLER SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND
PETER J. & THEODOSIA ZYLLA PRIESTHOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
REV. MARK OSTENDORF MEMORIAL FUND FOR VOCATIONS - NEW
REV. PAUL ZYLLA PRIESTHOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
REV. RAYMOND DONNAY SCHOLARSHIP FUND
SEMINARIANS EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

AGENCY FUNDS

ALBANY - MOTHER OF MERCY FOUNDATION
BIRTHLINE FUND
CATHOLIC CHARITIES FUND
CLERICAL AID ASSOCIATION
DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (DCCW)
GABRIEL MEDIA
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #5548
MISSION OFFICE HOMA BAY PARTNERSHIP
MISSION OFFICE MARACAY PARTNERSHIP
PACEM IN TERRIS - ISANTI
ST. BENEDICT'S SENIOR COMMUNITY FUND

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

GENE PULLIS MEMORIAL FUND (WOMEN RELIGIOUS)
KUEFLER / REICHMANN FUND

DONOR DIRECTED FUNDS

GERRY AND COLLEEN DONLIN FUND
RICHARD AND PAULETTE CLASS FUND
ANTRIM FAMILY FUND
STEARNS COUNTY SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT

GENERAL FUNDS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION - OPERE ET VIRITATE FUND
FOUNDATION - UNRESTRICTED FUND

FR. JOHN KAISER SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND
GENERATION NEXT
MOTHER MARY'S FUND FOR LIFE
SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CEM)
STS. ANNE AND JOACHIM NFP FUND
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS TOO
TECHNOLOGY FUND FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - NEW

PARISH, SCHOOL AND PARISH AFFILIATED FUNDS

FOLEY - ST. JOHN'S AREA SCHOOLS EDUCATION FUND
BELLE RIVER CARLOS - ST. NICHOLAS
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BUCKMAN - ST. MICHAEL
BUTLER - HOLY CROSS
CAMBRIDGE - CHRIST THE KING
DUELM - ST. LAWRENCE
EDEN VALLEY - ASSUMPTION
ELK RIVER - ST. ANDREW
FERGUS FALLS - OUR LADY OF VICTORY
GREY EAGLE - ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY FUND
HOLDINGFORD - ST. HEDWIG
KENT - ST. THOMAS CHURCH
KIMBALL - ST. ANNE
LAKE HENRY/PAYNESVILLE - ST. MARGARET
LITTLE FALLS - ST. MARY
LUXEMBURG - ST. WENDELIN
MILACA - ST. MARY'S CEMETERY
MORA - ST. MARY
MORRIS - ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
MORRIS - ASSUMPTION
ONAMIA - HOLY CROSS PARISH
PAYNESVILLE - CHURCH OF ST. LOUIS ENDOWMENT
PEARL LAKE - HOLY CROSS CHURCH
PERHAM - ST. STANISLAUS
PIERZ - FATHER PIERZ SCHOOL
PIERZ - HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL
ROSCOE - ST. AGNES CHURCH
ROYALTON - HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
SARTELL - ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
SAUK CENTRE - HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL
SAUK CENTRE - OUR LADY OF ANGELS
SAUK CENTRE - ST. PAUL PARISH
ST. CLOUD - HOLY SPIRIT PARISH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
ST. CLOUD - ST. KATHERINE DREXEL SCHOOL
ST. CLOUD - ST. MICHAEL
ST. CLOUD - ST. PETER
ST. CLOUD - STS. PETER, PAUL AND MICHAEL SCHOOL
ST. JOSEPH - ST. JOSEPH
ST. NICHOLAS - ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH
ST. STEPHEN - CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN
ST. WENDEL (AVON) - ST. COLUMBKILLE
STAPLES - LILLIAN M. JACKSON SACRED HEART SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
STAPLES - SACRED HEART KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
STAPLES - SACRED HEART PARISH
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- Create a fund of your own, name it for your family, business or loved one.
- Make a gift that gives back – such as a Remainder Trust or Lead Trust.
- Remember the Catholic Foundation in your will or estate plan.
- Sponsor a Catholic Foundation event.
- Pray for the mission initiatives of the Catholic Foundation.

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