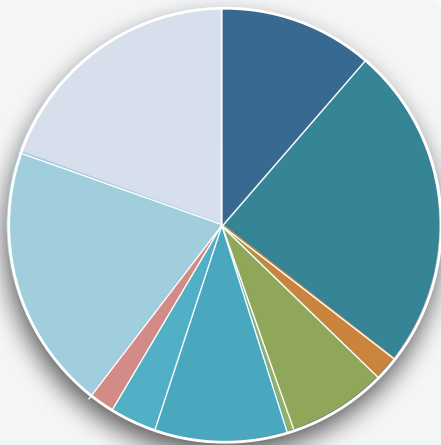


# PLANNING FROM THE HEART

INSPIRATIONAL STORIES, NEWS AND CHARITABLE GIVING STRATEGIES

## ICF VALUE AS OF 6.30.16

**\$21,231,388**



- SEMINARIAN ENDOWMENTS FUNDS: \$2,427,003
- CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUNDS: \$5,105,231
- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUNDS: \$397,385
- PRIESTS' HEALTH & RETIREMENT FUNDS: \$1,578,665
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS: \$56,260
- CHARITY OPERATING FUNDS: \$2,144,009
- UNRESTRICTED FUNDS: \$712,433
- MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS: \$403,664
- PARISH FUNDS: \$4,269,803
- CATHOLIC SCHOOL FUNDS: \$4,136,935

## MESSAGE FROM ICF CHAIR



It was just four years ago in the fall of 2012, when the Diocese of Boise launched the historic *Building On Our Past, Envisioning Our Future* capital campaign. Some of the income from the campaign is being used to support individual parish projects chosen by each parish and for building improvements and program needs at our three Catholic Campus Ministry centers. This newsletter highlights some of the ways our parishes and student centers are using these funds to grow the faith and build a stronger Church in Idaho.

Also, other proceeds from this capital campaign are endowed with the Idaho Catholic Foundation for the

Diocese of Boise to provide a constant, reliable source of funding for: Education & Formation of Clergy, Catholic Education & Faith Formation, Charitable Works of the Church, Catholic Charities of Idaho, and Care of Priests. We truly appreciate and thank all those who continue to contribute to this campaign.

The Idaho Catholic Foundation board carefully monitors the funds raised through this campaign as well as the already held and invested funds for individual parishes, schools, and the Diocese of Boise. We need to continue building these endowments to meet the growing needs of our children and grandchildren, ensuring there are formed priests and deacons, trained teachers, vibrant campus ministry student centers, adequate personnel and facilities, and assistance for those in need.

As we look to the future to grow the faith, I hope you will consider including your parish, school and one or more of these endowments in your estate plans. A list of the 63 individual funds can be found on our web site at [www.idahocatholicfoundation.org](http://www.idahocatholicfoundation.org).

Yours truly in Christ,  
**Lesley Bahner**  
 Chairperson, Idaho Catholic Foundation



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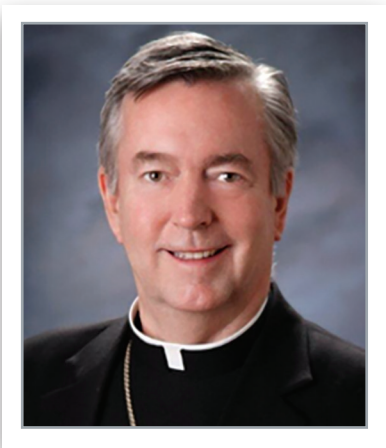
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BISHOP’S MESSAGE



We are blessed to have five more young men—all from Idaho—who are entering seminary formation for our diocese this fall 2016. We now have a total of 12 men studying for the priesthood at Bishop White Seminary at Gonzaga University in Spokane and at Mount Angel Seminary in St. Benedict, Oregon.

I want to thank the families of all these young men for supporting their sons in their decision to begin formation. Their commitment to study for the priesthood is also due, in part, to the work of our Vocations Office,

so I offer my special thanks to Fathers Jerry Funke, Caleb Vogel, Justin Brady, Chase Hasenoechl and, the administrative assistant, Cheri McCormack, for their commitment to growing vocations for our local church.

One of my goals as bishop is the continued care for our active and retired priests. One way we can accomplish this goal is to support more vocations to the priesthood. Priests daily bring the people of God the sacramental life of the Church in the Eucharist. We honor the lives and work of our older and retired priests by supporting those who come after them.

*Priests proclaim with their very lives that the Eucharist is the “source and summit” of our Catholic faith.*

With this good news comes the practical need for people to spiritually and financially support those preparing for priesthood. The annual education for each seminarian is over \$40,000, which includes his tuition, fees, books, stipends, travel, living expenses and health insurance premiums for some of them. I would encourage you to participate in our Seminarian Endowment Challenge. The annual interest earned from a strong endowment is used to defray the rising costs of seminary education. I can’t think of a better investment than the academic, moral and spiritual formation of future priests! Please consider your generous gift to the seminary endowment. Thank you for your past support as we look forward to the future with hope.

I ask all to pray for these young men in our seminary program. In a special way, I would like to invoke the fatherly protection of Saint Joseph who protected our Lord Jesus and our Blessed Mother, Mary. St. Joseph provided in countless ways for the holy family. We ask for St. Joseph’s provision and protection of these young men in their formation journeys.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Peter F. Christensen, D.D.  
Bishop of Idaho

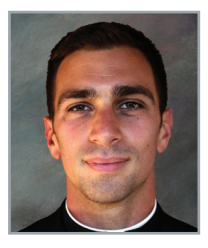
SEMINARIANS

OF THE DIOCESE OF BOISE



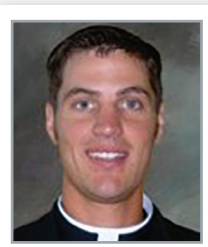
DEACON JOHN KURCERA  
Theology IV  
Lewiston, Idaho

*I am not even a priest yet and I am beginning to experience the joys of what it means to be a priest.*



NATHAN DAIL  
Theology III  
Born in California and raised in Moscow, Idaho

*Everything is for the priesthood, for God, for the people, for the Church.*



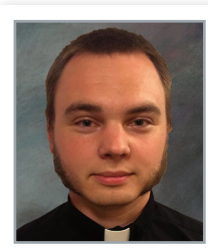
JOSEPH LUSTIG  
Theology III  
Cottonwood, Idaho

*As I continue in my formation and studies for the Priesthood, I am beginning to focus on the role for the priest as a shepherd of the people of God...The care of souls truly is the principal task of the priest.*



JOHN MOSIER  
Theology II  
Boise, Idaho

*I feel this call to ministry to serve the people of Boise and Idaho in any way I can.*



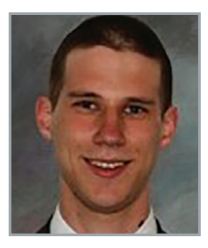
JOSHUA FALCE  
Theology I  
Native of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan lived in Washington State

*...The Diocese of Boise is the place my vocation has awoken and continued to grow.*



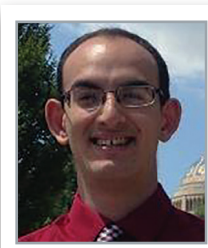
NELSON CINTRA  
Theology I  
Native of Rio de Janerio move to Ohio then to Arco, Idaho

*I want to become a priest to bring people to God and God to the people.*



PETER MURPHY  
Theology I  
Boise, Idaho

*What I look forward to most being in a parish, is going out into the community and helping everyone.*



NEW!  
TIMOTHY SEGERT  
Pre-Theology I  
Boise, Idaho

*I want my life to make a positive impact in the world. In my experience, priests have been the ones who are able to help bring Jesus Christ into people’s lives because priests serve as living “conduits” for the church’s sacraments.*



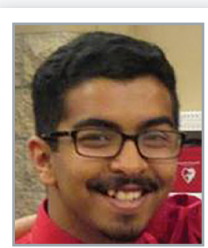
NEW!  
LANDON MULBERRY  
College III  
Buhl, Idaho

*My goal is to attend Mount Angel Seminary this fall. I hope to further discern my vocation to the priesthood.*



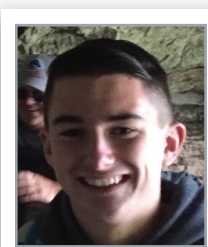
NEW!  
JOSEPH ORDAZ  
College II  
Buhl, Idaho

*I first heard the call to discern the priesthood from a seminarian (Nathan Dail) who was assigned to a summer assignment in Buhl where I lived.*



NEW!  
PAUL ALEX  
College I  
Boise, Idaho

*Jesus has loved me unconditionally and immensely and is now calling me to the seminary so that I, in turn, may show others his love and bring him to them.*



NEW!  
TOMMY MALONE  
College I  
Twin Falls, Idaho

*I decided to enter the seminary after moving to Idaho in 2013 as a freshman in high school. I soon found myself absorbed in the Catholic culture here in Twin Falls.*



# WHAT IS YOUR CATHOLIC LEGACY?

BY MARGARET HAMPTON, DIOCESAN COORDINATOR OF DEVELOPMENT

It's been said, "You can't take it with you when die." And I can say, I've never seen a hearse pulling a trailer with the deceased's belongings during a funeral procession to the cemetery.

We spend a lifetime accumulating 'stuff' and wealth and preparing for the day when we will meet our creator, but oftentimes, not much thought is given to our Catholic legacy.

## "For you know neither the day nor the hour." (Matt 25:13)

What does a Catholic legacy mean, you may ask?

If you're like me, being Catholic is very much a big part of who I am. I'm very grateful for the gift of my faith and all the rich traditions of our Catholic Church. We all believe in the mission of the Church and her values and want to see her continue to grow here in Idaho. We also all have a need to make a difference.

One of the easiest ways to make a lasting impact and statement about what was important to you during your lifetime is to make a bequest in your will. It doesn't have to be complicated. Just one simple paragraph is all it takes to make a truly life-changing gift for the people and ministries that mean the most to you. Do you care about your parish, a Catholic school or Catholic Charities or other Catholic organization? Are you passionate about youth ministry or seminarians? Whatever ministries that give you great joy, you can make a difference and leave a Catholic legacy lasting well after you've gone to eternal rest.

Once loved ones have been provided for, you can "bequeath" accumulated assets to help support the many important needs of our Catholic community. We can provide language for you and your advisor to make this simple bequest in your will or trust. A bequest may be a percentage of your estate, a gift of a specific asset or the residue of your estate.

While a bequest in your will or trust is one of the most common, there are other options to consider, too. Some don't even involve an attorney! You can make a bequest with an insurance policy naming your parish (or other ministry) as beneficiary or contingent/secondary beneficiary. Simply contact your insurance company for a beneficiary designation form. All it takes is a few minutes to fill out a simple change of beneficiary form.

Another "lawyer free" way to make a bequest is with a retirement plan. Retirement plan assets are generally the most heavily taxed asset upon death. Consider leaving those assets or a portion tax-free to the Church.

Does your parish have an endowment? That's a permanent fund to provide unrestricted annual income for anything the parish may need, like church repairs and improvements, new ministries—and yes, even a new roof in the future! Please consider making a bequest to support your parish's endowment. If you are passionate about Catholic education, consider supporting one of our Catholic school endowment funds or perhaps the Seminary Burse Endowment Fund. It's a gift that costs you nothing during your lifetime. You can visit [www.IdahoCatholicFoundation.org](http://www.IdahoCatholicFoundation.org) to see a full list of other endowments or how to begin your own named fund in memory or honor of a loved one.

We hope you enjoy reading stories in this newsletter of how people like you and me are creating their Catholic legacy with a bequest. To receive help in creating your own, personal Catholic legacy, contact the Development Office at 208-342-1311 or email Margaret at [mhampton@rcdb.org](mailto:mhampton@rcdb.org). We look forward to hearing from you!

To include the Church in your will or trust, consider this sample bequest language...

*I give and devise to The Idaho Catholic Foundation, Inc., an Idaho nonprofit corporation, for the use and benefit of (Diocese of Boise, Parish, and/or School Name, City) in Idaho all (or state a percentage) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to be used at the discretion of the pastor/parish /bishop, or to be used for (state the purpose).*

Is your parish already in your will? Please let us know! Even if you wish for your gift to remain anonymous, this information helps your parish plan for the future.

Don't have a will? You're not alone! Now is a great time to make a plan. Contact the Development Office for our free "Personal Planning Guide" booklet.

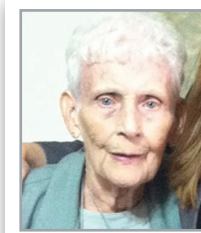
# CATHOLIC LEGACY STORIES



**Everyday People Making a Difference**  
**Phillip and Martha Blick** have always volunteered in their churches and their communities. Martha was a member of the Catholic Church where she dedicated much of her time in service on various boards for youth and adult ministries as well as enjoying her association and service with the Council of Catholic Women.

Martha was also a Registered Nurse who loved and was devoted to her profession. In fact, she began and directed the Parish Nursing Ministry at her parish in Pocatello.

When she passed away following a courageous battle with cancer in 2013, her husband Phil began the Marti Blick Nursing Ministry Endowment Fund to continue her legacy at Holy Spirit Catholic Community in Pocatello.

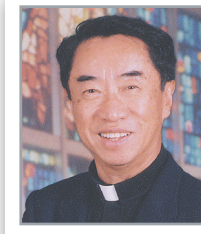


Geraldine Nieber and her sons Larry (middle) and Steven (right)

**A Legacy in Memory**  
**Geraldine Nieber** of southern Idaho is the first Legacy Society member in the Idaho Catholic Foundation with the creation of The Larry Lynn and Steven Gerald Jones Fund to benefit seminarians. The fund is named after Neiber's two sons Larry and Steven who died when they were young. Neiber hopes other people realize how easy it is to include a bequest in their estate plans. It's a simple way to honor a loved one.



**Mind, Heart and Spirit: Two Priests Leave Legacies**  
During his 62 years of serving God, **Father Anthony Di Loreto** gave many people a special gift; the gift of time with anyone who needed help. Following his retirement in 1998, Father Anthony served as a priest in residence in Holy Spirit, Pocatello. In 2000, he received a special Ministry Award at Fall Conference as part of the diocesan Jubilee Year celebration "for many years of gracious, generous and joyful service throughout the diocese."



Originally ordained to the priesthood in Hong Kong where he fled Communist oppression in mainland China, **Father Matthew Pu** also spent 62 years serving God in Idaho in various roles, including parish ministry, tribunal/Canonical Affairs and hospital chaplain. He retired from active service in 2002 but continued to help out in parishes.

Both Father Anthony, who passed away in 2016, and Father Matthew, who passed away in 2015, gave not only a combined 124 years of service to God during their lifetime, but they also left their estates to the Diocese of Boise to be used for the general good works of the Church. Thanks to Father Anthony, Father Matthew and so many more priests, these wonderful gifts will benefit many people for generations.

## 5 WAYS TO CREATE YOUR CATHOLIC LEGACY

### CHARITABLE GIVING STRATEGIES

Many people who support the Church say they experience great satisfaction from their generosity and they'd like to do more. Here are some ideas to consider.

**1. Bequest through your Will or Trust**  
You can name your parish or the Diocese of Boise in your will for a certain dollar amount, a percentage of your estate or the residuary. This meaningful gift costs nothing today and you can always update your plans if your situation changes.

**2. Bequest of Life Insurance**  
Life changes and so can the beneficiary of your life insurance. If you haven't updated your plan in a while, consider naming your parish or the diocese as a beneficiary (partial or full). You can also make an outright donation of your policy and receive a tax deduction now.

**3. Bequest of Retirement Plan Assets**  
If you leave a retirement plan to your family or heirs, much of your hard-earned dollars could be lost to taxes. If you name your parish or other 501(c)(3) charity as beneficiary—100% of the residual value will go tax-free to the cause you care about.

**4. Charitable Gifts from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA)**  
If you're 70 ½ or better, you may be able to make a gift from your IRA to your parish. An IRA rollover is an easy way for you to redirect IRA income to the Church and enjoy valuable tax savings. Ask your advisor about the latest news on this legislation.

**5. The Gift that Pays you Income**  
If you're interested in receiving retirement income now, or later, The Idaho Catholic Foundation offers a Charitable Gift Annuity. You'll receive guaranteed income for life and a tax deduction. Payments may be much higher than your return on low-earning securities and CD's. To receive a personalized illustration of how a gift annuity would work for you, please contact the Development Office.

*Note: Any action that affects your overall estate plans should be discussed with your professional advisors.*

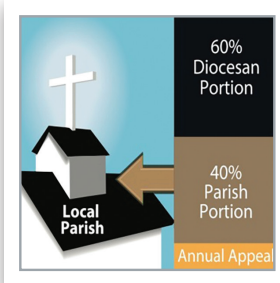




## YEAR 4

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATES

As we enter year four year and towards the completion of the *Building On Our Past, Envisioning Our Future* capital campaign, we are able to reflect on how each of us was able to join our gifts with those who made the parishes and programs of this diocese a reality in years past and ensure that we remain a strong, vibrant and faithful Church in the years to come. We know that our greatest strength is our Catholic faith and the faith of our people, and this campaign was centered primarily on the spiritual growth and development of our people's faith. We relied on your generosity to create a legacy for the next generation; a legacy of faith that will pass to those who cherish and take it into a new time, gratefully adding their own gifts to what you have so generously given.



be used for their individual needs. A combined total of \$3,252,567 has been disbursed to parishes.

Some parishes are using their share from the campaign for new construction, building renovations, or deferred maintenance. Other parishes are paying down debt, while some are striving to establish endowments that will generate income for parish and school ministries and services. Still others are using their share for personnel or material needs to more effectively bring the teachings of Christ and the mission of the Church to their parishioners.

#### Care of Our Priests

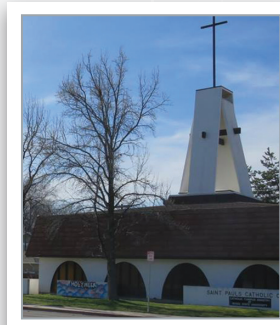
As our priests age, they often experience ongoing health challenges that require care and attention. When one of our retired priests has an extraordinary need, such as specialized nursing care or medical costs beyond their means, special funding is required on top of what is available through the priests' retirement program. Currently, 45 active diocesan priests provide ministry throughout the state. Twenty-six priests live in retirement, with the median age at 79. Over the next few years, several more priests will be age 70 or older and therefore eligible for retirement benefits. With an aging priesthood in our diocese, the potential for more priests becoming dependent on this fund increases each year. Gifts made to the *Building On Our Past, Envisioning Our Future* capital campaign are helping to assist with the medical costs of our aged and retired priests during times of severe illness.

#### Campus Ministry Centers

Funds raised from the capital campaign are being used to provide much needed building improvements and upgrades to our three Catholic Campus Ministry centers as well as programs and services which provide outreach to Catholic young adults, engage them more fully in the life of the faith community, and strengthen Catholic values and traditions. Hear from each one how your gifts are making an impact...

#### St. Paul's Catholic Student Center, Boise State University

By Fr. Jack Bentz, SJ, Campus Minister



What an incredible year at Bronco Catholic! A year of setting up extra chairs for Sunday Masses, adding more spaces to our retreats, and running out of food for all our social events! Students have found a real

home at St. Paul's Catholic Center and we are blessed and inspired by them. This growth is supported by the generosity of the donors to the Idaho Catholic Foundation. We are so grateful to you all for believing in the life changing work of Catholic campus ministry at Boise State University.

In the past year, our ministry has been blessed by the addition of another Jesuit priest – Fr. Radmar Jao, who is with us but also serving half time with FirePit (formerly known as Treasure Valley Young Adults Ministry). Fr. Jao brings a heart on fire for retreat ministry as well as being a charismatic preacher and gifted spiritual director.

We have also been able to add Jake Ineck as our Director of Music this year. Jake is not only a top quality liturgical musician, but is also able to inspire a whole new generation of students in leading us all in prayer at a deeper level. As more and more students are drawn to worship with us, their hearts are opened by the beautiful music made and guided by Jake.

Finally, this fall we begin a new collaboration with FOCUS missionaries and are looking forward to being able to reach hundreds of students hungry for the faith. This of course, means more chairs! More retreat spaces! And more of everything else as we seek to make room for "the hundredfold!" Thank you for making it possible.



#### St. John's Catholic Center, Idaho State University

By J.P. "Pete" Espil, Campus Minister

It has been a busy year at St. John's Catholic center in Pocatello! Sometimes it seems like there is so much going on that I don't know where to start when I'm asked to write about all that is happening.

Over the past year, we have watched our numbers grow. We are now seeing over 100 people at our Sunday liturgies with a third of them students. Our

daily lunch, Monday through Friday, continues to be a popular attraction with some days seeing attendance of over 50 people.

Daily mass, confession, and prayer continue as they always have and are foundational to our Benedictine spirituality approach. Our Theology on Tap program continues to be hugely successful with participation from both students and the permanent Catholic community. Our relationship with Idaho State University is strong and we are beginning to find ourselves as a community. The art projects we commissioned last year have all been completed and are being displayed proudly in our center. We celebrated our 50 year anniversary this past spring and we look forward to new opportunities coming our way this fall.

A big project we were able to complete this past year was the renovation and repair of our baptismal font. This was a very large project that took several months to complete, but we are happy to have a functioning baptismal font in the entryway of our church. We were able to use it for the first time at Easter vigil this year when we welcomed four college students into full communion with the Catholic Church. We are so grateful for all of our financial donors. Because of their generosity, we are able to continue this important work at St. John's. We look forward to the years to come and, God willing, there will be many more years to come at St. John's.



#### St. Augustine's Catholic Center, University of Idaho

By Rev. Chase Hasenoehrl, STL, Pastor

St. Augustine's Catholic Center was founded 50 years ago to evangelize the campus of the University of Idaho, and its mission continues to serve and form the students of today, so that their Catholic faith may be present throughout their lives. This mission depends on your support as we grow and

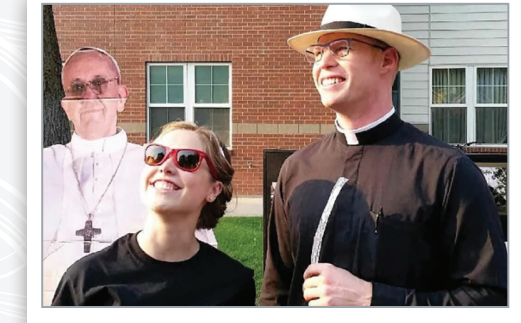
work to meet each student where they are, to introduce them to Jesus Christ, the beauty of His Gospel, and the relevance of the Faith.

This past spring, we received the gift of a beautiful bronze tabernacle, which has allowed for the creation of an intimate chapel space in the center, which is frequently used for prayer and Adoration. The chapel room itself needs work to be beautified, but we are pleased to be able to offer this additional space in which to encounter our Lord. The generosity of our supporters is allowing us to modernize our kitchen, dining room, and entryway into a facility that offers a commercial kitchen and modern audio and video technologies for presentations, all in a contemporary space. This project should be completed by early fall, and plans are already underway to begin a renovation of the courtyard space between the church and student center to provide a grotto, outdoor gathering space, and gas fireplace.

With Bishop Christensen's vision and guidance, we are eagerly anticipating the arrival of a FOCUS missionary team this fall. They will be working directly on campus, within the sport's teams, the Greek system, and dorms to offer bible studies and the chance to experience and learn about Jesus Christ. This successful campus evangelization model has worked well in many other campuses, and we are sure that they will have a very positive impact here at the University of Idaho. We are also developing our music program with the help of a very generous donor to provide high quality worship music.

At this poignant moment in the life of a student, it is vital that we have a quality and relevant presence both in church and on campus.

Your support makes a direct impact on our ability to serve the students at the University of Idaho. Please keep all of us in your prayers, and save the date for our 50th Anniversary celebration, February 18th & 19th, 2017. Thank you for all of your support!







**GLASBERGEN**  
“I need to make out a will. I want to leave my money to charity,  
my organs to science, and my cellulite to the donut shop.”

## ICF PURPOSE STATEMENT

*The Idaho Catholic Foundation inspires giving and assists  
donors to provide for the long-term needs of the Diocese of  
Boise by raising funds, holding and investing assets from the  
diocese, and related Catholic schools and parishes.*

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