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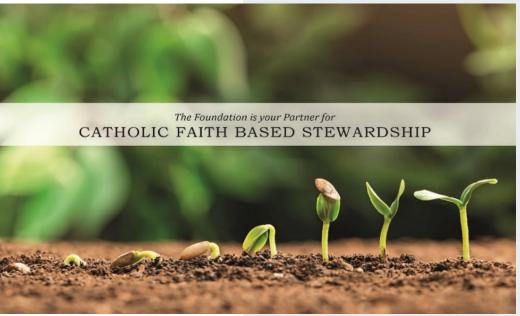
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FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAUREEN O'KEEFFE LINDGREN

On May 30, 2024, Bishop Zarama announced a new transformative Diocesan Fundraising and Development model. The Foundation will stay in place; however, the new Chief Development Officer, Dawn Stark will serve in a dual role as Executive Director of The Foundation and Chief Development Officer.

It has been my pleasure to get to know many of you over the past three and a half years. You have humbled me with your generosity, stewardship, and love of our Diocese. I appreciate you welcoming me into your homes, and parishes.

I learned so much in this role and hope to leverage it as I look forward to my next chapter. I pray the Holy Spirit will guide me to a position as fulfilling as this one has been. I wish much success to Dawn as she leads The Foundation, Donna and Alicia.

Thank you, and God Bless each one of you. **Maureen**



Thank you for your support of the Fr. Tighe Golf Event

This year we hosted the third annual <u>Fr.</u> <u>Tighe Golf Event</u> at *Longleaf Golf and Family Club* in Southern Pines.

Over 90 members of the clergy and diocese joined us for a day of sunshine, fun and community, helping to raise \$30,000 to benefit our seminarians.

THANK YOU to our Sponsors, players and volunteers!

THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

June, traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, holds profound significance in the Catholic Church, emphasizing Christ's boundless love and compassion for humanity. The devotion to the Sacred Heart is deeply rooted in the Church's history, originating from the revelations to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century. This month-long focus invites the faithful to reflect on Jesus's infinite love and the profound mysteries of His heart, which embodies mercy, love, and sacrifice.

Amidst this spiritual observance, the Eucharistic Revival, a movement aiming to rekindle devotion to the Holy Eucharist, gains momentum across the country and within the Diocese. The revival seeks to deepen our understanding and reverence for the Eucharist, recognizing it as the true presence of Christ.

As the month of June honors the Sacred Heart, the Eucharistic Revival underscores the connection between the heart of Jesus and the sacrament of the Eucharist. Both devotions call the faithful to a deeper appreciation of Christ's enduring love and His real presence in the Eucharist, fostering a renewed commitment to live out this divine love in daily life. This convergence of devotions offers a rich opportunity for spiritual renewal, inviting Catholics to embrace the fullness of Christ's love and presence.

"O Heart of love, I put all my trust in Thee; for I fear all things from my own weakness, but I hope for all things from Thy goodness."

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

"A year of Impact: Thank you for partnering with our Seminarians

As our fiscal year draws to a close, I am filled with profound gratitude for your unwavering support of the <u>Seminarian Partnership Program</u>. Your generosity has been the cornerstone of hope and progress for those who have dedicated their lives to serving our Church and communities.

Because of you, our seminarians have been able to pursue their vocations with vigor and vitality. You've joined other supporters in creating a tapestry of faith and education that enriches not only the lives of these future leaders but also the spiritual fabric of our diocese.

As we look forward to the new year, I am reminded that it is your kindness and commitment that make the journey ahead so promising. Thank you for being a part of this blessed partnership. Together, we are building a legacy of faith that will resonate for generations to come.

With heartful thanks,

Donna

CONCRATULATIONS TOOURNEWPRIESTS



On Saturday June 1st, Cong Viet Le and Ross Thomas Williams were ordained in a beautiful ceremony at the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, Raleigh. This sacred ceremony, filled with profound symbolism and deep commitment, signifies their lifelong dedication to serving God and His people.

As new priests, Fathers Le and Williams will undertake the vital roles of administering the sacraments, preaching the Gospel, and providing pastoral care, embodying the compassion and love of Christ in their ministries. Their ordinations are a cause for celebration and prayerful support from the entire faith community, as they embark on their mission to lead and inspire the faithful.

To read more about the Ordination please visit the Diocese of Raleigh site by <u>clicking here</u>.

