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## HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAUREEN O'KEEFFE LINDGREN

As you might imagine, with a name like Maureen O'Keeffe, I have been celebrating St. Patrick's Day since the day I was born! As a matter of fact, I marched in my first New York City parade at 18 months of age, on my dad's shoulders, while my mom was in the hospital after giving birth to my sister Patricia.

My family always started the day with Mass, followed by the parade and then gathering at my grandmother's house to sing songs, share stories and eat. It was a multigenerational affair.

As I reflect on St. Patrick's Day, it makes me think about the legacy of my parents and grandparents. Theirs was one of faith, family, and generosity.

What will your legacy be?


## FR.TIGHE

 MEMORIAL GOLF OUTINGSeminarian Partnership Program

## It's time for the 2024

 Fr. Tighe Golf Event!With the support of Bishop Luis Zarama, Very Reverend Michael Burbeck V.G., and Committee Chair Mr. Charlie Dougherty, The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Raleigh will be hosting the 2024 Fr. Tighe Memorial Golf Outing on Monday May 20, 2024, at Longleaf Golf and Family Club in Southern Pines.

For more information on how to register or to support this event, please_click here.

## "WITH THE GENEROSITY OF THE HEART YOU MAKE A

## DIFFERENCE." (Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama)

For the past month Bishop Zarama has been meeting with donors to share his gratitude for their generosity since he became the $6^{\text {th }}$ Bishop of the Diocese of Raleigh. We are reminded during the Centennial year, that the bishops and parishioners who came before us left a wonderful legacy to get us to this point in our history. Perhaps you have recently been to an event celebrating the Centennial, such as the traveling monstrance. The traveling monstrance was an important part of the Eucharistic Congress, which took place in October 2023. This year, after traveling through the Raleigh Deanery, beginning at Sacred Heart Church, which was the cathedral for the diocese from 1924 until 2017, the monstrance is traveling to parishes, schools, homes, and neighborhoods across eastern North Carolina to be a central part of similar celebrations marking the rich history and bright future of our Catholic faith in the Diocese of Raleigh. The Centennial also brings to mind the mission of The Foundation, "to gather and grow assets to ensure a vibrant Diocese for years to come." We gather and grow assets in support of parishes, ministries, and future expansion.

At these events Bishop Luis reminded us of the foresight and fortitude of people like Fr. Price, also known as the "Tar Heel Apostle". It was he who purchased the land that our beautiful Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral sits on today. While it was people like Fr. Price who played an important role in our first one hundred years, we now need to plan for our next hundred. We are a growing diocese with a rich history and a beautiful future ahead of us. When discussing the future of our Diocese, Bishop expressed specific needs to ensure our future as a we carry out the mission of the Church in eastern North Carolina. The future needs in three categories: Priests, Land and Rural Churches.

The Foundation raises funds for these 3 needs through The Seminarian Partnership Program, The Land Trust, and The Home Mission Society. If you are interested in making a monthly or one time donation to any of these funds, please reach out to Donna Ashcraft (donna@foundationdor.org) or visit our website and the links above. Your gift can be in the form of cash, a QCD from your 401k, an estate gift or stock.


