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STEWARDING YOUR LEGACY

Sharing & Growing Your Gifts

FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Dawn M. Stark



As we continue to celebrate our Centennial year in the Diocese, I can't help but think of the incredible work happening back in that time. A few days ago, I visited the Duke Catholic Center and noticed the signage throughout the Duke University campus celebrating their Centennial. To think of the forethought of the leaders of that time is inspiring.

Visiting with All Saints in Hampstead recently, I was able to tour their new Church home that is under

construction. As Monsignor Jospeh Ntuwa and I were speaking, I noticed his construction hard hat said *Now is Our Moment*.

How appropriate for our entire Diocese?

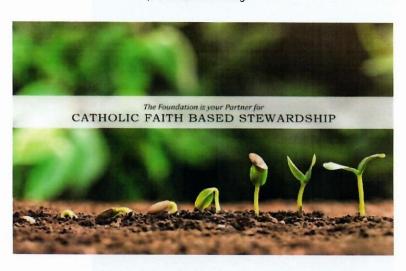
Now is Our Moment... to ensure the next 100 years are a strong testament to those who came before us. I've been inspired by our young parishioners in our Diocese from the praying hands of innocent first graders at the All School Mass at St. Mary Magdalene, to the 125 students at NC State attending time in Adoration with our Lord during their first week of classes back on campus.



We are thrilled to come together as one body in Christ for *Centennial Sunday on November 17th*. We invite you to join us for the many exciting events planned in the coming months.

Remember, we are here to serve you. If you have a passion you'd like to explore, such as establishing an endowment, we are here to help. If you'd like us to visit your parish and discuss legacy planning, we would be happy to do a presentation. And if you need guidance on how to maximize your giving from a tax perspective, we are here. Our mission is to support the Diocese, ensuring our parishes, schools, ministries, and programs thrive for the next 100 years.

Sincerely, Dawn M. Stark

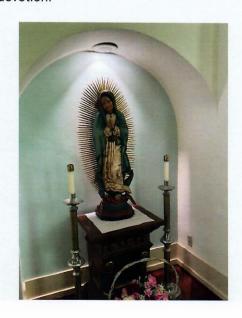


St. Ann Catholic Church, Edenton

This beautiful statue of Mary, now gracing the altar at St. Ann in Edenton, is a testament to the love and devotion of the Hispanic community.

Through their generous fundraising efforts, this stunning piece was handcrafted in Germany and brought here as a symbol of faith and unity. It stands as a culturally meaningful gift of philanthropy, reflecting the community's deep connection to their heritage and their commitment to enhancing the spiritual life of the parish.

A truly inspiring offering of love and devotion!



SPOTLIGHT

Exploring Catholic Campus Ministries in the Diocese of Raleigh

As students across North Carolina head back to college, a sense of excitement fills the air. Whether embarking on their first year or returning for another semester, students are beginning a new chapter full of potential and growth.

For many Catholic students attending universities like Campbell, Duke, East Carolina, Elon, NC State, UNC Chapel Hill, and UNC Wilmington, there's a special place to continue their spiritual journey—*Catholic Campus Ministries*.

Mrs. Dani Irving, Development Director at NC State University Catholic Campus Ministry (NCSU-CCM) recently shared some stories about NCSU students, who are an impressive, faithful group of young women & men.

Take for example, Joel...he's a rising Junior at NC State, who gave up rowing so he could attend Daily Mass. He's in Esto Vir which is the Catholic Men's Group on campus. These men meet at a house (called the "Fratican"va) every Friday morning during the school year at 6:30 a.m.!!

Yes, 6:30 a.m.! Sometimes they get 20-30 guys to show up.

Not only that, but these young men recently biked 600 miles from D.C. to Asheville to raise \$11,000 all of which they donated to help those with Developmental Disabilities.



They have a Men's camping trip in the Fall and a Men's Retreat in the Spring. About 20 of them did Exodus 90 as well. Joel also leads a Bible Study for Freshmen men and helps coordinate the annual Awakening Retreat for the ministry.

Every Wednesday evening, the students gather for Confession, Eucharistic Adoration & Mass. And afterwards they enjoy a freshly prepared home-cooked meal made by Alums, Teri & her husband Jeremy. They have three small children but still manage to volunteer their time every single Wednesday to grocery shop, cook and bring a hot meal to campus.

I'm sure you will agree that the future of our Diocese is in safe hands with our College Campus Ministries!

Glimpses of our NC Campus Ministries

Right: Our Lady of the World is a wall at Duke University that honors Catholic students from across the globe who unite in their shared faith.





Right: Fr. Joshua West, Chaplain NCSU-Catholic Campus Ministry, administers communion to an NCSU student.

Right: Fr. Daniel Rolczynski, Assistant Chaplain NCSU-CCM mingles with students at Welcome Week.

There were 100+ people at the first 10:30am Student Mass of the year! Mass was followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship – the perfect start to the Wolfpack school year





Students gather at the *Catholic Ministry at UNC Wilmington w*hich is a welcoming community where students grow in faith and friendship. Through Mass and fellowship, UNC Catholic Ministry cultivate a space where faith flourishes, friendships grow, and the love of God shines in everyone's lives.

NATIONAL ESTATE PLANNING WEEK:

October 21-27, 2024

October is a perfect time to "make a will" and secure your legacy! From October 21-27, we will celebrate *National Estate Planning Week*, as an opportunity to raise awareness throughout the Diocese, of the importance of having an up-to-date will. With nearly two-thirds of Americans without a current will, this week serves as a reminder of the vital role estate planning plays in protecting loved ones and making an impact.

By creating or updating your will, you can not only ensure your wishes are honored, but also make a meaningful gift that supports the causes you care about most.

With an estate plan, you can:

- · Create a meaningful Legacy
- Benefit from Tax Advantages through charitable contributions
- Ensure your Family Values and Philanthropy wishes are communicated to the next generation by involving family members in the process

Incorporating charitable giving into estate planning can be a powerful way to leave a legacy and to positively impact the community.

Charitable estate planning involves designating a portion of one's assets to charitable organizations, like *The Foundation of the Diocese of Raleigh* and/or the *Diocese of Raleigh*, in order to support causes close to their hearts.

For more information, please contact Donna Ashcraft, Director of Development at Donna@foundationdor.org or by calling 919-568-1067.

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Father Thomas F. Price Catholic Heritage Society



The Father Thomas F. Price Catholic Heritage Society encourages faithful Catholics to consider leaving a legacy through planned giving, much like Fr. Price did in his mission to build a vibrant Catholic presence for future generations.

Through the Catholic Legacy Society, supporters are recognized for their contributions to the Church's mission throughout the Diocese of Raleigh, ensuring that Fr. Price's vision of faith and service lives on.

Any individual who has included a parish, school, the Diocese of Raleigh, or *any* institution of the Diocese, in their estate plan, automatically becomes a member of the Society. However, as we may not know of your bequest, please complete our registration form by clicking here:

THE FR. PRICE SOCIETY.

As a member you will receive an induction pin, annual birthday card from Bishop Zarama, and updates on Diocesan and Foundation activities.

This year's member Mass and Reception, hosted by Bishop Luis, will be held on Tuesday October 22, 2024, beginning with mass at 9:00am at The Catholic Center in Raleigh.

DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW US ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS – LINKS ARE BELOW!

