

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE: Help Them Today! Seminarian Collection 2020

Background Information

- We really want people to know that our efforts to renew vocations are working! Last year, through the generosity of parishioners, more than \$1,046,000 was given to this collection.
- Two new priests were ordained by Bishop Ricken in early July. We anticipate having nine men in the seminaries for this upcoming fall, and five taking part in the Kairos Year here in the Diocese.
- Most seminarians are in formation for six to eight years, which includes at least two years studying philosophy and four years studying theology.
- With larger numbers of candidates in recent years comes a significant increase in costs. Seminarians are responsible for their own costs while in the first two years of formation. The Diocese pays for their costs for the final six years of school (pre-theology/philosophy and theology).
- This coming school year, the Diocese of Green Bay expects to spend nearly \$1,000,000 for tuition, room and board, health insurance, summer language, spiritual and pastoral programs, a small stipend, support of the Vocation Office and all of its outreach efforts and other related costs.
- Seminarians are currently studying at the following seminaries:
 - St. John Vianney College Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota
 - Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, Winona, Minnesota
 - St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
 - St. Francis de Sales Seminary, Milwaukee, Wisconsin / Sacred
 Heart Seminary and School of Theology, Hales Corners, Wisconsin
 - Pontifical North American College Seminary, Rome, Italy

Meet our seminarians:

Dcn. Patrick Costello, St. Margaret Mary, Neenah, Theology IV, Pontifical North American College (Co-Sponsored Seminarian with the Archdiocese for the Military Services – Navy)

Matthew Colle, Immaculate Conception Parish, Luxemburg, Theology III, Pontifical North American College

Andrew LeGreve, St. Agnes Parish, Green Bay, Theology II, Mundelein Seminary

Ben Pribbenow, Holy Spirit Parish, Kimberly, Theology II, Pontifical North American College

Juan Altamirano, St. Thérèse Parish, Appleton, Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Nicholas Stellpflug, St. Paul Parish, Combined Locks, Pre-Theology II, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Nathan Budde, St. Mary Parish, Ledgeview, College III, Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary

James Kanning, St. Bernard Parish, Green Bay, College II, St. John Vianney College Seminary

Michael Vance, St. Bernard Parish, Green Bay, College II, St. John Vianney College Seminary

New Men in Process:

Five additional new men are planning to participate in the Kairos Year happening within the Diocese.