

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE: Help Them Today! Seminarian Collection 2021 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 \$1,193,000 was given to this collection.

One new priest was ordained by Bishop Ricken in early July. We anticipate having 10 men in the seminaries for this upcoming fall, and seven 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:

- o Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, Winona, Minnesota
- St. Francis de Sales Seminary, Milwaukee, Wisconsin / Sacred
 Heart Seminary and School of Theology, Hales Corners, Wisconsin
- Pontifical North American College Seminary, Rome, Italy

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Meet our seminarians:

Dcn. Matthew Colle, Immaculate Conception Parish – Luxemburg, Theology IV, Pontifical North American College

Ben Pribbenow, Holy Spirit Parish – Kimberly/Darboy, Theology III, Pontifical North American College

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

Nicholas Stellpflug, St. Paul Parish – Combined Locks, Theology I, Pontifical North American College

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

Jacob Bovee, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish – Greenville, Pre-Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Joseph Cherney, St. Therese Parish – East Krok/Pilsen/Stangelville, Pre-Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Michael Janczakowski, St. John the Baptist Parish – Howard, Pre-Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Nicholas Vande Hey, Holy Cross Parish – Kaukauna, Pre-Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary / Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Nicholas Huza, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish – Greenville, College I, Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary

New Men in Process:

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