

### *letter from the CDMF*

## **Board of Directors**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your continued trust and confidence in the Catholic Diocese of Madison Foundation (CDMF). The CDMF began operations in 2011 as a non-profit charitable foundation to provide perpetual funding for schools, parishes, and ministries within the Diocese of Madison. In partnership with faithful individuals seeking to put their faith and stewardship in action, the CDMF receives, manages, and distributes funds to strengthen the future of our Church.

The CDMF assists donors in creating meaningful and lasting impacts that specifically and generously respond to needs all across the Diocese. Donors rest assured knowing that their funds are invested in Catholic-screened, socially responsible investments that maintain the integrity of our donors' faith and principles, and that the intent of their donations is secure and protected.

As the Diocese of Madison continues its bold *Into the Deep* initiative to move our parishes, priests, and schools from maintenance to mission, the CDMF remains committed to faithfully and skillfully improving opportunities for giving to the mission of the Church.

With a renewed focus on this mission, the CDMF Board has embarked on an assessment of our Foundation, from structure to function, to explore and reimagine how we, in partnership with our donors, can most effectively support the financial stability of our parishes, schools, and ministries.

Throughout this process, the CDMF Board remains committed to protecting your gifts to the CDMF and the purposes for which they were given. We continue to support and fortify parishes and schools as they also embark into the deep, all of us guided by our trust in Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

"... be strong and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD, your God, is with you wherever you go." - Joshua 1:9

Thank you for taking the time to read this year's Annual Report. We ask for your prayers for all those in need of healing and hope, and please be assured of our prayers for you. We thank you for your extraordinary kindness and generosity towards the CDMF and the many positive impacts it has in the Diocese of Madison. God bless you!

In faith and with gratitude,

The CDMF Board of Directors

Catholic Diocese of Madison Foundation



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## **How We Serve**

# PARISHES SCHOOLS MINISTRIES



We partner with organizations to fund the future of the Church.

We work together with each organization to help them meet their future goals including capital maintenance, education, and evangelization.



We **invest** in the future of the Catholic Faith.

We invest funds for Catholic organizations within the Diocese of Madison to make a larger impact by investing together and enabling them to grow their resources.



We strengthen the Church's mission by providing grants and distributions.

Annually, we make distributions available from funds to support their ongoing missions and award grants to organizations advancing the mission of the Church for works of mercy, pro-life efforts, and Catholic education.



We adhere to the teachings of the Catholic Faith.

We monitor our investment portfolio to ensure it adheres to our Catholic values, including protecting human life, reducing arms production, and pursuing economic justice.







the numbers
Year
to date

\*Funds distributed include CDMF grants & annual fund distributions

# 18 seminarians

received
assistance with books,
lodging, or tuition

\$257,900

to support

Persons with Disabilities

& their families

\$2,000

to support **Rural Catholic Life** 

\$39,300

towards Works of Mercy

includes sheltering the homeless, feeding the hungry, burying the dead, and helping families in need

\$1,200
awarded for
Pro-Life

**Efforts** 

23 families

received
Catholic School
Tuition Assistance



# A full list of organizations we partner with is available on our website at diocesemadisonfoundation.org/funds



# We Partner With

# 17 parishes



supporting capital maintenance, evangelization, and programming



# 8 schools

including school maintenance, scholarships, and religious ed programs

# 10 ministries



vocations, pro-life efforts, works of mercy, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Multicultural Center, tuition assistance, and persons with disabilities

# Financial Snapshot

as of fiscal year end 6.30.2022

\$61,218,876

assets under management

\$2,630,244

in total distributions

\$1,590,670 *vocations* 

support goes to books, tuition, and recruitment for seminarians

\$488,551 *education* 

includes tuition assistance, religious education, and school programs \$151,738 *parishes* 

includes programs, capital expenses, and ministerial needs

\$399,285 *ministries* 

includes works of mercy, pro-life efforts, and Catholic rural life support



#### The St. John Bosco Fund for Tuition Assistance (Bosco Fund)

advocates for the importance of Catholic education in our communities by making it more accessible to families in need through financial aid. Over \$78,000 has been granted to parish schools over the last three years, enabling more families to provide their children with a Catholic education. Over 30 students from across the diocese received assistance from the fund this past year.

The CDMF is grateful for the immeasurable impact that the educators, staff, and parents, who fuel our Catholic schools, have on the future of our faith as they work together to care for the well-being of our children and form young disciples!

"The family who received the grant most likely would not have been able to attend without this support. (THANK YOU!) They are a new family to our school, that moved and wanted to continue Catholic education. We have more families than ever that need financial support."

- St. James Catholic School, Madison

"I am grateful for the help. If I didn't get the help with tuition, I wouldn't be able send to my daughter here."

- Parent, St. Luke Catholic School, Plain



## **Pro-Life Movement**



The Mary Catherine Matuska Pro-Life fund supports parish and community pro-life activities in memory of Mary, a pro-life leader who passed away in 2019, and her great love of caring for mothers and children. Grants provide support for efforts to build a greater appreciation for the sanctity of life and advocacy against abortion. This past year's grant sponsored a diocesan Pro-Life Summit.

People from throughout the diocese gathered to hear talks about local and nationwide pro-life efforts and to connect with other advocates. Representatives from Walking with Moms in Need shared about their efforts to expand resources that help women and their families during difficult or unexpected pregnancies. Since the summit, over 50 diocesan parishes have gone through training to help expecting mothers in need. The Wisconsin Catholic Conference also gave insight about the repercussions of a post Roe v. Wade nation and the work still to be done to protect the sanctity of life.





Grants from the *Maier Family Rural Catholic Life* fund strengthen the ability of parishes and ministries to address the needs of rural life. Over \$3,000 has been made available since the fund was established, to support rural parishes and their families tirelessly living out the Catholic faith.

"Having served as a seminarian and later as a parish priest in our rural parishes, I can attest to the unique economic hardships, social service needs, and spiritual needs among our cherished rural families. They're the backbone of our diocese in so many ways, with a solid faith life amidst the challenges they face." - Msgr. James Bartylla, Vicar General

Rural Life



Grants from the *McDonald Family Matthew 25:31-46* fund provide assistance for corporal works of mercy within Rock County, as referenced in the Gospel of Matthew. Grants are awarded to parishes each year who fulfill the works of mercy through their ministries and outreach. In 2022, grants were awarded to Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Beloit to supplement their efforts to supply fuel cards to those in need and to St. Paul Parish in Evansville to support their work with the Evansville Ecumenical Care Closet.

"I was hungry and you gave me food, thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me."

Matthew 25:35-36

# **Works of Mercy**

"On behalf of the Evansville Ecumenical Care Closet (EECC) Board, our volunteers, and those served by EECC, we wish to thank the McDonald Family Matthew 25:31-46 Endowment for your generous award. This grant allows us to support many families in our community. Wire shelving units for our pantry and retail store were purchased with this grant money.

The Evansville Ecumenical Care Closet and Food Pantry has been a ministry of six area churches since 2002 and is the largest charity organization in the community.

EECC is a resale shop for all and food pantry for families in need residing in the Evansville Community School District. Its mission is 'neighbors caring for neighbors with grace and dignity.' The proceeds from the resale shop purchase food for our pantry and help maintain our building. The volunteers were excited and incredibly thankful for the shelving units that make their work much easier with our many projects!"

Jeanette Jones EECC Manager St. Paul's Parishioner

## The Greatest Gift

We are each created in the image and likeness of God and called to steward the greatest gift we've been given: our lives! In our earthly lives, we do so through prayer, tithing, the sacraments, and caring for the poor. We can continue this legacy as we prepare for our eternal lives by carefully considering the care of our bodies, loved ones, and material goods left behind. As Pope Benedict XVI often said, "Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary," in God's plan.

This last year, the CDMF started offering education to parishes on making end-of-life decisions from a Catholic perspective. Presentations include information about the sacramental, liturgical, financial, and stewardship aspects of end-of-life planning. Local experts give guidance on topics like medical directives, sacraments, funeral and burial planning, and estate and legal considerations.

While many medical advances are life affirming and welcomed, sometimes they can increase anxiety and make decision-making difficult or confusing, leaving family members to wonder 'What should we do?'. And almost half of Americans don't have a will, leaving their family with the mental and administrative burden of sorting their estate. Preparing your will and a medical directive in advance is not only an invaluable gift, but also allows you to steward your blessings in a way that brings glory to God.

Visit our website to see upcoming events or learn more about the resources available for end-of-life planning that reflect our rich faith.

diocesemadisonfoundation.org/planning







# **Leaving a Legacy**

You can continue the impact you have in this life into the next by choosing to support a parish, school, or ministry that has touched your life and helped form your relationship with Jesus Christ. Many of the CDMF's funds were established to honor a loved one passed, celebrate a milestone, and ensure the future of Catholic organizations.

Esther Dempsey deeded her family's 10-acre homestead to Bishop William O'Connor in 1956 with the intent of establishing a Catholic parish and school on the east side of Madison. St. Dennis parish was named in memory of her father Dennis. The *St. Dennis - Esther Dempsey Facilities Endowment* continues the Dempsey legacy.

The endowment supports the growing needs of St. Dennis' campus facilities and grounds.



## **Board of Directors**

An independent Board of Directors governs the CDMF. The board is comprised of the Bishop of Madison, the Vicar General, parish priests, and lay experts representing different walks of life, professional experiences, and regions throughout the diocese. Five standing committees exist to assist with the CDMF's functions: Executive, Investment, Development, Audit & Governance, and Grant Review.

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PwC Chair & Senior Associate Dean Wisconsin School of Business, UW-Madison Blessed Sacrament, Madison

"It has been my honor to serve on the CDMF Board to support its mission to provide a platform for financial stewardship and support of parish and Diocesan works of mercy. In particular, it has been my pleasure to serve on the Grant Review Committee to provide oversight and recommendations for grants in support of Catholic schools (Bosco Fund), right-to-life initiatives (Matuska Fund), and Works of Mercy (McDonald Fund)."

- Terry Warfield, Director

