

INSTITUTE FOR LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY

Since 1997, the Institute for Leadership in Ministry (ILM) has given individuals in Santa Clara County a path to deeper service to God and the Church. Through three years of intensive study, reflection, discussion, and prayer, students gain deeper knowledge and appreciation of what it is to be Catholic and prepare themselves for leadership in the Diocese and in their parish communities. ILM graduates serve parishes throughout the Santa Clara County in professional and volunteer lay leadership positions. Many have assisted the Diocese and work with other Catholic groups and associations. Many also express their Catholic values through service to the community in local government, social justice groups, and non-profit agencies.



ILM Director Anne Grycz explained that funds from the Catholic Foundation have been important to the program this year for a number of reasons. **"Because of difficult economic times, we needed to keep the tuition low while still providing a high-quality education. We were able to do that with Foundation funds."** Monies were used to develop an additional Scripture course for third year students and to purchase a much-needed projector for classroom use.

Anne is also excited about plans for future grant disbursements, such as developing courses in pastoral Spanish and pastoral English to encourage cross-cultural communication. "ILM is especially important in empowering our Latino and Asian communities. These courses will help bring our communities even closer together as Catholics worshipping and serving in one Church."



Photo by Yesenia Cabrera Hall

Of the 52 parishes and worshipping communities that make up the Church in San Jose, 51 have either graduates or current students in the Institute, which is a 98 percent participation rate. "The graduates of the ILM program are people of great faith who have been trained and formed for leadership and service. They are truly a gift for the Church in Santa Clara County!"



Dear Friends,

When the Rooted In Faith Campaign began, we set an ambitious goal to raise \$100 million for the Catholic Community in Santa Clara County.

But more important than the monetary goal was what it represented – a better future for the Church and all members of our community.

This month, I am pleased to report we are halfway through the campaign and nearly halfway toward reaching this monetary goal, with \$47.6 million collected to date.

The Catholic Foundation is ensuring that these funds are disbursed according to your wishes. Much has already been done to help parishes and Catholic ministries create the future they planned. Still, much more remains to be done to fulfill your hopes and dreams. For that reason, the Foundation and pastors completed an extensive donor outreach campaign over the summer.

II CORINTHIANS 9:7
Each of you should give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

The second page of this newsletter describes the campaign's impressive results. Once again, we were overwhelmed with gratitude for your commitment to building a stronger Catholic community. You understand the many and varied needs of our Church, and are continuing to respond generously.

When so many other things in our lives are uncertain, it is truly a blessing to look to the future of our Church with optimism. On behalf of the Board, I thank you for walking with us on this most important journey.

Yours in Faith,

Lon Normandin,
President and
Chairman of the Board of Directors
 CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

A NEW ROOF FOR CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION HALL AND CLASSROOMS

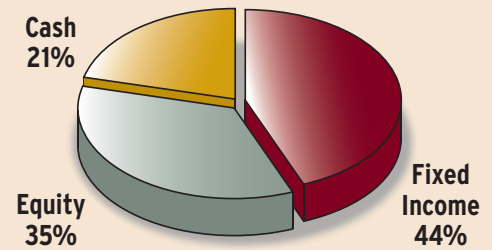


An important form of stewardship in every parish community is the care of its facilities. Maintenance must be planned and budgeted so that places of worship, gathering, and work continue to be safe and meet the needs of the parish. One of the largest "physical plant" expenses is roofing. Three years ago, when Church of the Ascension in Saratoga was asked to submit a case element statement for funding from the Catholic Foundation, the community chose to apply for funds to purchase

a new roof for Worner Hall and the classroom area. "We know that we must maintain our facilities carefully in order to maximize their use," said Fr. Joe Galang. "The previous roof was at the end of its warranted life. We could not wait for it to deteriorate and leak—we needed to replace it now."

Parish Share funds from the Foundation helped pay for a new asphalt composition shingle roof installed earlier this year, fulfilling the promise made to the parish community three years ago. They are especially happy knowing that the building will be safely sheltered for another 40 years.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION'S PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE



The Catholic Foundation maintains a legacy fund for donations that are not disbursed as grants. The purpose of the fund is to provide income to help meet the financial needs of the Catholic community far into the future.

According to Troy Jones, Executive Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager for Enterprise Trust, which manages the Foundation's investments, the portfolio is very conservatively managed and allocated in order to minimize risk to the generous contributions received.

"Donors should be reassured that the fund continues to grow through careful investment strategies."

The Foundation's spending practices and investment policies are consistent with the Principals and Practices of Stewardship as outlined by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Financial statements and information about investment policies are available online at: www.cfoscc.org/finance.html

Total Collections - \$47.6 Million

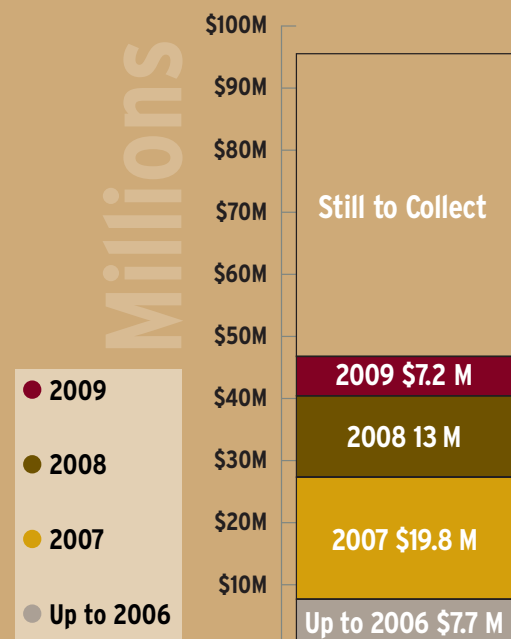


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DIACONATE TRAINING

When parishioners express a desire for deeper service to the Church, often their first experience of intensive faith formation is the Institute for Leadership in Ministry program. When that call deepens into

a desire to minister to fellow Catholics, many apply to the Deacon Formation Program, a four-year process of formation for the candidate and the Church to discern if a person is called to ordained ministry as a deacon.

According to Fr. Joseph Benedict, Director of Deacon Formation, candidates take part in an intensive course of study at Santa Clara University, weekend retreats, field training, and "Formation Saturdays" that address other aspects of formation. **"Without funding from the Catholic Foundation, it would be difficult for us to maintain what has become one of the most comprehensive deacon formation programs in the United States,"** said Fr. Benedict. Some deacons work in parishes assisting with baptismal and marriage ministries, funeral rites, and Sunday liturgies. Many reach out to the poor and marginalized. For example, a deacon who is married and has children counsels and assists families at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital.

Another coordinates immersion programs for youth in Mexico and the Southwest. Others regularly volunteer in correctional facilities. Fr. Benedict explained that deacons bring the caring of the Church to those most in need.

EXODUS 35:5
Whoever is of generous heart, let him bring the Lord's contribution...

INTERVIEW WITH BOARD MEMBER GEORGE SCALISE



As a prominent industry executive and a life-long Catholic, George Scalise's service on the Board of Directors of the Catholic Foundation is a wonderful intersection of his spiritual and professional values. George is a member of St. Nicolas Parish and has lived in the Santa Clara Valley for 40 years. He is perhaps best known as former Executive Vice President of AMD, Apple Computer and National Semiconductor, and a former Chairman of the

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. He now serves as the President of the Semiconductor Industry Association. George joined the Board when the Foundation began in 2004. **"I wanted to serve because I**

believe the Foundation has an important role to help meet the financial needs of the Diocese," he said. George says his experience has been similar to that of a team forming a start-up company.

"Everyone on the Board has contributed to the development of systems, controls, and practices that allow the Foundation to carry out its responsibilities," he said. "We are building a strong, stable, well-functioning organization. Our donors can be assured that we will be responsible stewards of their contributed funds and faithful to their wishes."

MATTHEW 6:21
Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO AUDIO/VISUAL SYSTEM



At St. Joseph of Cupertino, the community center is a hub of activities that reflect the size, diversity, and energy of the parish. In any given month, the busy calendar might list weddings, family movie events, lectures with guest speakers, holiday celebrations, and more. However, until last fall, there was no sound system in the community center for movies, music, or presentations. One small LCD projector used with a wall or a cumbersome stand-up screen was all that was available for visuals.

A suggestion came from within the parish that a high-quality audio-visual system would be a great use of Parish Share funds from the Catholic Foundation. When the funds were distributed, there was enough money to purchase two systems to accommodate different kinds of activities. A large visual system is used for movies and a smaller one for presentations. There are hand-held wireless mics and lapel mics that give speakers the freedom to move around the room. Even devices such as an iPod can be connected in order to play audio selections.

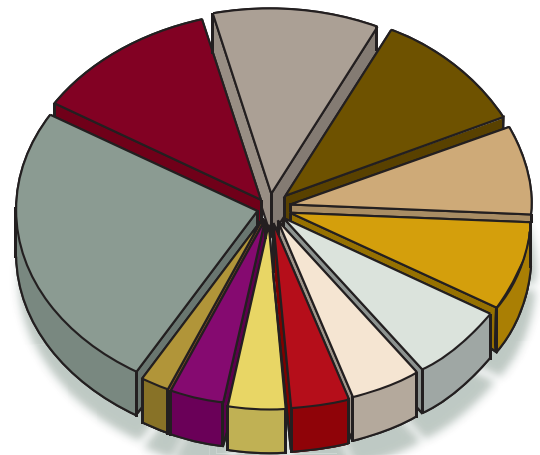
According to Tam Tran, Director of Catechetical Ministry, "More people can attend our activities and really appreciate what is going on. It also makes the center more attractive for event rentals." Tam says the parish is very grateful to the many Catholic Foundation donors at St. Joseph of Cupertino. "Their generosity has resulted in something that benefits the entire parish."

YOUR CAMPAIGN DOLLARS AT WORK

Total Funds Granted \$18.9M

Catholic Charities	\$ 5.4M
2007 ADA	\$ 5.3M
Parish Share	\$ 4.0M
Debt Reduction	\$ 2.5M
Clergy Retirement	\$ 1.2M
Other Grants	\$475K

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● Catholic Education	\$120K
● Seminarian	\$ 60K
● Parish Repair & Refurb.	\$ 52K
● Cathedral Basilica	\$ 51K
● Parish Outreach	\$ 38K
● Pastoral Ministry	\$ 37K
● Parish Stewardship	\$ 31K
● ILM Lay Leadership	\$ 23K
● Youth Ministry	\$ 18K
● Young Adult Ministry	\$ 18K
● Social Justice	\$ 18K
● Diaconate Training	\$ 9K

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DONORS RESPOND GENEROUSLY TO OUTREACH APPEAL

Over the summer, the Catholic Foundation, working together with nearly 50 pastors and parish staff, completed a substantial outreach effort to Rooted in Faith donors throughout the Diocese. The Foundation was very successful in getting back in touch with donors who had not been able to keep their pledges up to date.

Over the course of two months, nearly 8,600 letters were mailed. Many of the letters were translated into Spanish, Vietnamese, Portuguese and Croatian. The letters resulted in collections of over \$500,000, and the future value of those renewed pledges is \$4.5 million. Approximately 1,700 donors (18 percent) responded to the donor outreach.

Carter Wells, Executive Director of the Catholic Foundation, said, "Some donors were experiencing economic difficulties, and we provided additional pledge options. Others had simply forgotten their pledge and after receiving a letter, they got right back on track." She added, "We anticipated a 10% response rate, so an 18% response rate was especially encouraging."

THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Total Collections and Disbursements

**Funds
Granted:
\$18.9M**

**Funds
Collected:
\$47.6M**

LUKE 6:38
**Give, and
it will be
given
to you.**

Ms. Wells credits the pastors for much of this success in re-engaging donors. In nearly two-thirds of the parishes, pastors included personalized notes with the letters. "It shows how the campaign is truly a partnership between all of us." Foundation staff is available during business hours to assist donors by providing account information or reviewing pledge options. She added that the Foundation is always happy to hear from donors.

We at the Catholic Foundation would like to express our sincere thanks to all of the donors for their continuing generosity and commitment to the Rooted in Faith Capital Campaign and the future of our Catholic community.

Carter Wells

Carter Wells, Executive Director
CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY