Dear Friends in Christ,

This past year marked the 25th anniversary of the creation of the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan. At its inception in 1995, Bishop Robert Rose, the board, volunteers, and staff entered this endeavor with great faith and wisdom. They had the foresight to understand that establishing a foundation was important to the long-term needs of our Church, providing an essential source of stability, confidence, and support to critical ministries even in the most challenging of times.

As present-day members of the Foundation’s leadership team, it is both humbling and gratifying to acknowledge this important anniversary. We wish to thank all who labored and supported this vital mission through the years, helping position the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan in the top quartile of all Catholic foundations nationwide ranked by assets.\(^\text{1}\) The Catholic Foundation now holds permanently-endowed assets of over $65.4 million, making available more than $2.1 million to fund faith-enhancing and life-sustaining programs and ministries this past year. Furthermore, our community’s faithful support of the Our Shepherds – Our Future campaign will provide another permanently-endowed fund within the Catholic Foundation to support seminarian formation over our lifetimes.

As we reflect on “then and now,” and as new funds accrue to grow our assets, we extend our sincere gratitude to you, our donors and organizational fundholders, as we realize the promise of our founders: to be a sustaining source of generosity to meet the needs of our Catholic community for all time. May God continue to bless you and your family as we look forward in faith to a bright future.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

Greg Deja
Executive Director

\(^{1}\) “Catholic Foundations Continue to Advance in the United States” by Walter Dillingham Jr., Managing Director, Wilmington Trust

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Our Mission

We inspire and enable generous support for parishes and ministries rooted in the teachings of the Catholic Church to make a lasting impact in our communities and the lives of others.

Our Vision

We are the heart of Catholic generosity for West Michigan, passionately supporting and sustaining our Christ-centered communities — now and for generations to come.

Our Purpose

The Catholic Foundation of West Michigan is a non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to serving both our donors and our Catholic community by facilitating charitable giving to impact and sustain a more caring community reflective of Christ’s love.

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We Are the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan

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“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me.”

– Jeremiah 29:11–13
In September 2019, Deacon Noah Thelen was looking forward to a much-anticipated year at Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. His seminarian class would be spending two months in the Holy Land and partaking in a canonical retreat in preparation for their ordinations to become transitional deacons. Despite the challenges of 2020, Deacon Thelen was reaffirmed in his discernment, trusting God’s holy providence would lead him closer to becoming a priest.

On his pilgrimage, Deacon Thelen was eager to visit Galilee, a place that has always had special meaning to his spiritual life. As the place where Jesus first called his disciples, Galilee provided Deacon Thelen the perfect place to reflect on his own calling from the Lord. He often recollects the exchange between Jesus and Peter from John 21:

“Simon, son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.”
- John 21:16

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The Impact of Your Generosity

A Shared Experience in Galilee

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- Deacon Noah Thelen
Sacrifice is a Gift

Daniel Rangel’s voice can be heard above his third-grade classmates every morning as they recite the daily pledge at San Juan Diego, which affirms many virtues for the students and concludes with ¡Sí, Se Puede! (Yes We Can!). Why is Daniel so confident when he recites the pledge? His family has a history of faith and success.

Catholic school education was not always a part of the Rangel’s plan. When Faviola and Cesar’s oldest child, Antonio, was almost school-aged, a teacher suggested he would benefit from more personalized attention as a kindergartener. They decided to enroll Antonio for a year at Holy Name of Jesus School – what is now San Juan Diego Academy – with the plan to move him to public school the following year.

Not only was Antonio very happy at school, but he was thriving. Both parents were pleased with his progress in a Catholic school, though they worried how they could afford his tuition over the years. Prepared to sacrifice for her children’s education, the family saved their tax refund and applied it fully toward tuition each year. Through the support of tuition assistance provided by the Bishop’s Fund for Catholic Education and donors to the school, Catholic education was still a sacrifice for the Rangels, but within reach. Every year Faviola would say, “Let’s just save our tax return one more year.”

To this day, their sacrifice is a gift to their children. Each of them have a living faith, self-confidence, and a keen sense of responsibility to succeed in school and life. Antonio and Laura have graduated from Catholic Central High School (GR) and continued on to Grand Rapids Community College. Daniel is looking forward to following in his siblings’ footsteps on his educational journey, maintaining his confidence along the way. For Faviola and Cesar, it has been a tremendous blessing to watch their children grow and develop over the years, thanks in part to the financial support they have received from the Catholic community.

The Bishop’s Fund for Catholic Education

The Diocese of Grand Rapids and its alliance of 31 schools share the belief that a Catholic education should be available, accessible, and affordable to any family that wants to provide their child with a quality education in a strong Catholic environment. Because of this belief, each year “Bishop’s Scholarships” are made available through the Bishop’s Fund for Catholic Education, an endowment at the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan. This fund provides tuition assistance to families over and above the financial support available at an individual school – bringing Catholic education within reach.

Then & Now

1995–1996 School Year
17 Scholarships Awarded
Totaling $8,500

2019–2020 School Year
1,009 Scholarships Awarded
Totaling $532,665
Through the support of the Bishop’s Angels annual giving program, the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan continues to soar to new heights. What began in 1999 with 23 inaugural Angels has grown to 120 current Angels! Without the Bishop’s Angels, the Catholic Foundation would not be where we are today – in the top quartile of all Catholic foundations nationwide ranked by assets!

Support from the Bishop’s Angels enables the Catholic Foundation to raise awareness of our mission and impact throughout the 11 counties of the Diocese of Grand Rapids and beyond. In 2020, the Bishop’s Angels program expanded to provide for the Providential Care Fund, a fund that allows the Bishop to identify – and respond to – a specific cause at a time of need.

The Catholic Foundation wishes to express our sincere thanks to our current Bishop’s Angels.

Bishop’s Angels throughout our 11 counties are making a lasting impact and a meaningful difference in the lives of many and sustaining the future of our Church. You can join this generous community with a minimum gift of $2,500 annually to the Bishop’s Angels giving program.

If you are interested in becoming a Bishop’s Angel, visit catholicfoundationwmi.org or call 616.333.1640.

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity.”
- 2 Cor. 9:11

BISHOP’S ANGELS ANNUAL GIVING PROGRAM

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Making an Impact Across Our Diocese and Beyond

Together, as a diocese, we can make an impact greater than any one parish or school.

**Education**

- Bishop’s Fund for Catholic Education
- Dwonzoniski Education Fund
- Ronald and Joan Griffith Fund

**Vocations**

- Byars Family Fund for Seminarian Education
- Cebelak Vocations Promotion Fund
- Emil Shebesta - Muskegon Knights of Columbus Fund
- Fedewa Fund for Formation of Seminarians
- Msgr. Raymond A. Baker Religious Vocations Fund
- Norman Pelak and Lenore Brechtning Pelak Fund for Seminarians
- St. Isidore Seminarian Scholarship Fund

**Parishes and Catholic Ministries Making an Impact**

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Holy Trinity
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Immaculate Heart of Mary
Mildred Weis Fund - St. Mary-St. Paul
Pere Marquette Cemetery Fund – St. Simon (Ludington)
Peter and Kathleen Huizenga Family Trust Fund – Holy Family (Caledonia)
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St. Gregory
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St. Joseph (Wright)
St. Mary - St. Paul Foundation Fund (Big Rapids)
The Rosalinde Parsons Good Samaritan Fund
St. Mary Fr. Ernest J. Bernott Educational Endowment Fund (Muskegon)
St. Michael (Muskegon)
St. Michael (Coopersville)
St. Michael (Remus)
St. Patrick (Parnell)
St. Patrick (Portland)
St. Patrick - Youth Ministry Fund (Portland)
St. Patrick - St. Anthony Educational Fund (Grand Haven)
St. Paul Newman Center Fund (Ferris State University Catholic Campus Ministry)
St. Pius X Parish - Monsignor John Najdowski Fund for the Poor
St. Sebastian Parish - Pierce Fund
Vida Family Fund (Sacred Heart - Muskegon Heights)

**Social Services**

- Catholic Charities West Michigan
- John and Betty Neary Family Fund
- Jubilee Justice Fund
- Monsignor Terrence L. Stewart Fund for the Poor
- Ray and Carolyn Seyffert Basic Needs Fund
- Sister Rose Callahan Fund for the Aged and Disabled

**Faith Formation**

- Bishop Kevin M. Britt Adult Faith Formation Fund
- Bishop’s Fund for Religious Education
- Fund for the Faith
- Media Evangelization Fund
- Pastoral Services Ministry
- Paul and Leisa Snow Fund for Catholic Truth and Apologetics

**Greatest Needs**

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**Making an Impact in Our Catholic Schools**

86% of the Catholic schools within the Diocese of Grand Rapids have established endowment funds at the Catholic Foundation. Catholic school funds support operational costs and scholarships from grade school through college.

**All Saints Academy**

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Jan and Ted Kuzma Education Fund^ Richard and Mary Ann Hurst Fund
Sr. Rosemary Smith, RSM Tuition Assistance Fund
Stephen Mary Memorial Scholarship Fund
Wayne and Margo Gagnon Elementary Tuition Assistance Fund

**Muskegon Catholic Schools**

Alvina Sandusky Fund - Muskegon Catholic Schools
Basilica of St. Adalbert
Mary Jane Kaye Fund

**Sacred Heart School**

Blessed Sacrament The Kandra Family Endowment Fund, in Memory of John and Mary Kandra and Frank and Agnus Kandra
Lena Allgeier Education Fund
Corpus Christi School - Jacqueline Cry Miller Fund
Holy Trinity
Our Lady of Consolation
Nichols Family Fund^ Sacred Heart (Grand Rapids)
The Dougal Family Fund^
**Making an Impact in Grand Rapids Catholic High Schools**

In partnership with the Foundation for Catholic Secondary Education, scholarship endowments for Catholic Central and West Catholic High Schools are housed at the Catholic Foundation.

**Catholic Central High School**

- **AMDG Architects Scholarship Fund** - Catholic Central High School
- The Brian “McDivot” O’Driscoll Scholarship Fund
- Catholic Central General Endowment Fund
- “Conquering Obstacles” The Denny Flak Scholarship
- Deacon Dale Hollem Scholarship
- Dennis W. Campbell Memorial Scholarship
- Ed and June Prein Family CCHS Scholarship Fund
- Eugene “Sam” Kunst Endowed Memorial Scholarship
- The Fred and Rosemary Braun Scholarship
- The James and Ann Burns Scholarship
- Jim and Linda Payne Tuition Assistance Fund
- Joe Lauria Memorial Scholarship Fund
- The John and Sandy Lowery Family Scholarship
- Jon Davidson Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Lawrence and Patricia Ranazzi Transfer Scholarship
- The Leigh Eriks and Armen Oumedian STEM Scholarship
- Mary Lynn Kampfschulte Scholarship Fund

- The Michael Lebednick Scholarship Fund, in honor of Albert and Eleanor Lebednick
- The Nicholas Mihos Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Philip and Sharon Burns Heart and Soul Award
- The Reed Family Music Scholarship Fund
- Rev. James C. Kowalski Scholarship Fund - Catholic Central High School
- The Rob Rosenbach Memorial Scholarship
- Robert and Francis (Schaaf) Rinehart Trust
- Sr. Robert Ann Dominican Sisters Educational Fund
- William and Karen Lawrence Family Scholarship
- The William Ronan ’61 Scholarship
- The Ziemke Family Scholarship

**West Catholic High School**

- **AMDG Architects Scholarship Fund** - West Catholic High School
- Bertram Family Scholarship
- Bishop Hurley Scholarship Fund
- Bob and Pat Misner Tuition Scholarship
- Bob “Sarge” and Charlene Czarnecki Fund
- The Brechtting Academic and Athletic Scholarship - West Catholic High School
- The Czerney Szoza Scholarship
- David A. Veneklase Family Scholarship
- Ed Wagner Tuition Assistance Fund
- The Florence B. and Joseph F. Jackim Memorial Scholarship - Fund
- Fr. Dennis Morrow Education Fund
- Frank Diehl Legacy Scholarship
- Grace (Bono) Slott Endowed Scholarship
- Joanne Harwood Angel Scholarship Fund
- John L. Young Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Kluting Family Scholarship
- Michael G. Cherrrette Memorial Scholarship
- Patrick and Jacqueline Murphy Endowed Scholarship
- Rev. James C. Kowalski Scholarship Fund - West Catholic High School
- Robert and Larita Stephanak Memorial Scholarship
- Smith-Verkin Family Scholarship
- St. John Paul II Scholarship
- Steven Chulski Memorial Scholarship Fund
- VanGessel Family Scholarship
- The West Catholic Band Boosters Scholarship
- West Catholic General Endowment Fund

**Shared Beneficiary between Catholic Central and West Catholic High Schools**

- David M. Seamon "Leadership" Scholarship
- Douglas and Arlene Lillis Scholarship
- Eugenia Czarnecki Family Fund
- The Faculty Enhancement Fund
- Francis J. Geary Scholarship
- The Lena L. Allgeier Scholarship Fund
- The Nicholas Mihos Memorial Scholarship
- Msgr. Charles D. Brophy Memorial Scholarship Fund
- The Rob Rosenbach Scholarship Fund - Catholic Central High School
- Rev. James C. Kowalski Scholarship Fund
- The Reilly Family Scholarship
- Reynolds-Elderkin Family Scholarship
- The Richard J. Boguslaski Family Scholarship Fund - West Catholic High School
- The West Catholic Band Boosters Scholarship
- West Catholic Central Tuition Scholarship
- The Ziemke Family Scholarship

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**For it is in giving that we receive.**

– St. Francis of Assisi

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### Endowment Funds: Forever and Always

**Balance Sheet**

**JUNE 30, 2020**

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### Statement of Operations

**TWELVE MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

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<td>$2,535,295</td>
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Celebrating 25 Years: Then & Now

Funding Priorities

Sharing Our Catholic Faith
For those who believe in helping oneself and others deepen and share one's relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. This can be accomplished through a variety of means through the life of the Church to inspire a Christian witness to Christ in our society.

Educating Children and Young Adults
For those who believe children have a mind, a body, and a soul, and all need care. Catholic schools educate the whole child to grow in faith and grace, achieve their potential in school and life, and feel welcomed and cherished. Inspired by Christ, Catholic schools produce tomorrow's leaders and servants, building a more just and loving society.

Supporting Religious Vocations
For those who want to be a part of the human, spiritual, academic, and pastoral formation of those responding to God's call to religious life. Give thanks to these individuals for the sacrificial and shepherding responsibilities that await their service.

Helping the Poor and Vulnerable
For those who value our Church's leadership in providing basic human needs through social services for millions of people — regardless of their ethnicity, background, or faith tradition. At all times, we, as Catholics, value and champion human dignity, knowing all people are created in the image and likeness of God.

Caring for Creation
For those who affirm all of creation, our living planet is a magnificent and sacred gift. Pope Francis's encyclical, *Laudato Si* has moved environmental care and protection to the forefront of Christian responsibility, declaring all life depends on clean air and water, as well as a stable and reliable climate.

“Each of us should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.”
- 1 Peter 4:10
Thank You.

While we are, in fact, no greater than any one person who seeks to share his or her blessings, in the aggregate, we can, as a Catholic community, become more. Indeed, we have! By joining together in the name of our Catholic faith, we continue to combine our blessings and resources to support our ministries and neighbors regardless of market disruptions, recessions, or even a global pandemic. Because of you, we intend to do so for generations to come.

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