Annual Newsletter 2019



BUILDING THE FUTURE OF OUR FAITH... STARTING TODAY

A LETTER FROM THE CEO AND BOARD CHAIR

Dear Friends,

The theme of our newsletter this year is "Building the Future of the Church." As we navigate through challenging times, we see unlimited opportunity for growth of sacraments, stewardship and outreach.

At the Foundation we work with generous families in support of effective organizations and programs. We build funds that facilitate family philanthropy and institutional strength. People ARE generous. We see examples every day. This is true as we build the Patrick J. McGrath Endowment for Ministry and grow endowments for parishes and schools. Through our Donor Advised Funds we witness "givers" becoming "philanthropists"- thinking strategically about giving



and impact. We encourage others to grant alongside us to effective programs in outreach, faith formation, and music.

And we see results. Last year we granted \$3 million, a record for the Foundation. Through our grant making, we seek to strengthen ministry and inspire others to be involved. The greatest gift that we can give to future generations is hope. Through our work in support of strong and effective ministry, we seek to give hope – hope for a strong and meaningful Church.

This is the face of Catholic philanthropy in Silicon Valley and beyond. We answer our Gospel call in service to others through action, advocacy and prayer. Join us!

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Who is the Catholic Community Foundation of Santa Clara County?

The Catholic Community Foundation is focused on strengthening our local Catholic community through fund development and grantmaking. We are a partner in Catholic philanthropy, matching donor intent with unmet needs. We create **FOREVER VALUE** for organizations and ministries through Endowments, Donor Advised Funds, and Legacy Planning. www.cfoscc.org 408.995.5219 info@cfoscc.org

How can we Support the Future of our Faith Today?

"The future starts today, not tomorrow"

Pope John Paul II

Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it.

Proverbs 22:6

SAINT SIMON BUILDS FOREVIER VALUE with an Endowment Match

For over 60 years, Saint Simon Parish School has provided an excellent Catholic education for the next generation. Despite the school's commitment to academic excellence and Catholic mission, enrollment was declining. The Finance Council saw that the decision to send children to Catholic school was often determined by financial factors instead of parents' desire to give their children a Catholic education. On the other hand, the Finance Council knew that the school had to, at a minimum, run on a break-even basis.

One generous family offered to help with a long-term solution. The family will match all donations to the Saint Simon Parish Tuition Assistance Endowment received by October 31, 2019 up to \$250,000, resulting in an endowment of at least \$500,000. The initial goal is for the annual grant from this fund to be \$20,000. "Gifts made to

this endowment are building a stronger future for our Catholic community," said Father Warwick James, pastor of Saint Simon Parish. "We are determined to meet this match and will continue growing this fund in the hope that one day no child will be denied a Catholic education because of financial need."

As of June 30, 2019, the total fund balance was \$250,000. Due to the success of early

fundraising, the endowment made its first grant in December 2018. "This year, thirty students need financial aid. The grant from the endowment, although small, is already helping families in our community keep their children in Catholic schools," said Don McGovern, Finance Committee member. By setting up an endowment, the Saint Simon community decided to focus on a long-term solution for tuition assistance. "We can't rely on annual fundraising and our shrinking existing scholarship funds forever," said Don. An investment in the Tuition Assistance Endowment today will give children access to Catholic education for generations to come.



Contact the Foundation for more information about this match or about starting one for the parish or school you love.

FAMILY ENDOWMENT: A LEGACY FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

The Triplett family has a long history at Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception School. Graduates from St. Mary include Ray Triplett and three of his sisters as well as Ray's two children. "My experience [at St. Mary School] was a vital, formative part of my youth that has carried forward and affected my entire life," said Ray who is still an active parishioner at St. Mary. Ray and his wife Susan named St. Mary School as a beneficiary of their Family Endowment which will begin granting after their lifetimes. "We're participating and giving

during our lifetimes and we wanted that to continue when we're not here," said Ray. "The finance committee at Saint Mary School could be having a meeting one hundred years from now, and they will receive

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substantial support from many different Family Endowments that were created in the past. And it will not only help them then, but it'll encourage them to get involved and do the same thing."

Read more at: tinyurl.com/y3eye49c







Ray Triplett ('69), his daughter Sara ('98), & his son Colin ('00)





S30,200,000 Total granted since inception



FIRST TWO-YEAR PARISH OUTREACH GRANT

In 2018 the Foundation made our first-ever Two-Year Grant to Our Lady of La Vang Parish's "One Bread, One Body Ministry" outreach program. It was a brand-new program, and the Foundation felt that offering two years of financial support could help them think long-term about the program and increase their impact. This community doesn't yet have a physical church to call

their own, but that doesn't stop them from building community around the corporal works of mercy today. The program engages with the less fortunate, the elderly, immigrants, and the homeless community through four activities:

- o Low Income/Immigrant Home Visit & Repair Team
- o Transportation to Daily Mass for the Elderly
- o Bilingual Citizenship Class
- o Meals for the Homeless

Spring Grant Cycle Grantee Story

The grant applicant, Hang Pham, noted that the back-to-back years of funding helped them plan for future improvements



Students and volunteers in the Bilingual Citizenship Class

to the program with the knowledge that there would not be interruptions in the services between years. "We are able to reassure our clients and volunteers that the services will continue," said Hang. "Hopefully, after the second year of funding we will have a lot of support and be able to fundraise and become as self-sustainable as possible."

To read more about this program and the impact they're having in the community, visit **tinyurl.com/y6528ook**



BISHOP PATRICK J. MCGRATH ENDOWMENT FOR MINISTRY



Bishop McGrath's Legacy of Support for Church Leaders and Families

The Bishop Patrick J. McGrath Endowment was established to benefit the Diocese of San Jose as part of Bishop McGrath's legacy as leader and shepherd of the

diocese for over twenty years. Bishop McGrath has been a constant source of love and support for lay leaders, clergy, and families. His legacy of support will continue forever through the grants from this new endowment, named in his honor.

"I believe strongly in the importance of endowment to invigorate and sustain ministry," said Bishop McGrath. "As we grow our local church, key to our vibrancy will be the strength and contribution of lay leaders, families, and clergy. Through this fund we will be able to support them forever." This endowment is set to make its first grants during the 2020 Spring Grant Cycle. This endowment will grant to programs in three categories:

Lay & Religious Leadership

Family Life

Clergy Leadership

For more information about this endowment or to make a donation to support ministry, visit:

cfoscc.org/bishop-mcgrath-endowment



FIRST ANNUAL SOCIETY OF SAINT JOSEPH MASS

On October 14th, 2018 we gathered at Saint Christopher Parish as a community of faithful to thank and recognize the Founding Members of the Society of Saint Joseph at the Diocese's first ever Legacy Mass. Named after our patron saint, this honorary society is comprised of Catholic men and women who have chosen to make provisions in their estate plans to benefit a local parish, Catholic elementary school, the Diocese of San Jose or any ministry of the Diocese. Bishop Patrick J. McGrath and Bishop Oscar Cantú celebrated a beautiful liturgy that exuded the spirit of thanksgiving and the joy of knowing that these people will be part of this community *FOREVER* through their legacy. Read more at **tinyurl.com/yyjhbrfv**



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