



**The Catholic Foundation**  
of Central Florida  
Inspire Giving. Fund God's Work.



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Newsletter

### Reflections on Back To School

Back to School season is a reminder that although the days are getting shorter, it is also a time of new beginnings: new classmates, students, teachers, and sometimes new buildings. Central Florida has such a remarkable, generational Catholic Education tradition, which continues to grow and prosper: forty-two schools in eight counties of Central Florida plus five mission schools in the Dominican Republic.

At The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida, we are grateful for and inspired by all the parishioners, families and organizations who give to support our Catholic schools through volunteering, charitable gifts and endowments.

August is also National Make-A-Will Month, a good reminder about the importance of planning to protect our wishes and loved ones. We encourage you, if you have not already done so, to make a will providing yourself and your family peace of mind while establishing your legacy. To assist you we are providing free resources, please read about our partnership with FreeWill below to learn more. Please prayerfully consider remembering our Catholic schools in your will as part of your legacy. Our donor services team is here to help you with any estate planning questions you may have.

Please pray for the students, faculty, and staff in our schools as they begin anew once more, nurturing the future of the Church in the youth of our diocese.

“...whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.” 2 Corinthians 5:17



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**Kimberlee Riley, CAP**  
President & CEO

## In This Month's Newsletter:

- **Ministry Spotlight:** Offertory and Stewardship
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## Ministry Spotlight

### Offertory



## Parish Stewardship



OFFERTORY  
ENHANCEMENT  
INITIATIVE



Our Community Services team supports pastors and parishes with materials and processes that encourage faith-filled and prayerful consideration of the blessings we receive from God and how we return our blessings to God. We are excited this Fall to support nine parishes with their offertory initiatives. [Read More](#)

## Professional Development Grants

### Scholarship Grant Recipients



## Congratulations 2022 ICSC Scholarship Grant Recipients



Four professional development scholarship grants have been awarded for pastors, parish staff and lay leaders interested in attending the 2022 International Catholic Stewardship Council (ICSC) Conference in Anaheim, CA this October. Meet the 2022 ICSC Conference Scholarship Grant Recipients. [Read More](#)

*In the Spotlight*



*Articles to share*

**F R E E W I L L**

This month is National Make-A-Will Month and thanks to our recent partnership with [FreeWill](#), you can use this secure, online estate planning tool to write your legal will, protect your loved ones, and establish a lasting legacy with the ministries you value. We are pleased to provide this resource at no cost to you and it is secure and simple to use. [Get started here!](#)

[For a customized estate plan, please contact our Planned Giving Advisory Council Members](#)

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## Donor Spotlight Dominic Rego



Navy ensign, Dominic Rego, chooses Catholic Campus Ministry as the sole beneficiary of his life insurance policy making him the youngest member of the Vivos Christi Society. [Read More](#)

## Board Spotlight Mr. Bill A. Orosz, Jr.



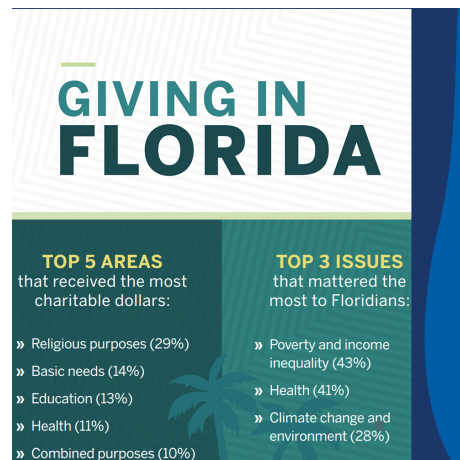
The Catholic Foundation has impacted many lives in many different ways. Meet Founding Chairman, Mr. Bill S. Orosz, Jr. and learn how the Foundation has impacted his life. [Watch Video](#)

## New CAP Study Group Leaders Make an Impact



In a nine month program, new cohort members work through graduate coursework, discuss ideas, experiences, and deepen their knowledge of

## Industry Spotlight Giving Trends in Florida



Want to learn more about giving trends in Central Florida & charitable tools to deliver a greater

philanthropy with renowned national and regional guest speakers. [Read More](#)

impact? Call one of our philanthropy advisors at 407-246-4889. [Read More](#)

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## Expanded Event Sponsorship Grant Program



**Supporting organizations as they spread the good news and raise funds to continue their impactful work**

The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida has been blessed to be a sponsor of many diocesan events over the years, and we are excited to announce our expanded Event Sponsorship Grant Program made possible through distributions from The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida Endowment Fund.

[Learn more at our event sponsorship grant page](#)

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### **Our mission:**

**To inspire and increase giving, to prudently invest the resources entrusted to us, and to capably steward those charitable gifts to support the spiritual and corporal needs of the community of the Diocese of Orlando.**

## *Returning God's Gifts*



*Stay Connected With Us Everyday!*



The Catholic Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation committed to fostering and stewarding philanthropy to address community issues and meet the spiritual and corporal needs of our community year-round. As a proven trustworthy philanthropic organization to give to and give through, we have received the Guidestar Platinum Seal of Transparency. Fully endorsed by the Diocese of Orlando and its Bishop, we work extensively with Catholic parishes, schools and nonprofit organizations aligned with Catholic social values to help inspire giving and secure resources needed to further their long-term goals.



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