



2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

Making Christ A Home In Your Heart

100% of your gift supports 14 ministries like **Priests' Vocations!**

In 2017 two young men became priests. Today, there are four seminarians following Jesus' footsteps.

A story of Faith, Hope & Charity.

When Jonathan Dickson and Peter Crowe heard the words, “come follow me,” they knew they would need some help to get in step with the Lord.

As young men who already had college degrees and were working in the business world, their first call to the priesthood was a cautious one. But, after much prayer and the support of others, the two men embraced the journey and both were ordained in May 2017—the first priests in our diocese ordained in six years.

The path to becoming a priest is a lengthy one – many years of study and preparation—learning to preach the Gospel, conducting weddings and baptisms, visiting the sick and homebound, shouldering the pain of those grieving, and a litany of other on-call duties, sometimes requiring a 24/7 presence.

The education to become an apostle of Christ is also a costly one. Seminary school has tuition and expenses like any college and to help ease their burden, the diocese offers support to young men seeking His call.

Your support will provide the spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral tools for these young men to learn and teach the greatest joys of following Jesus Christ.

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