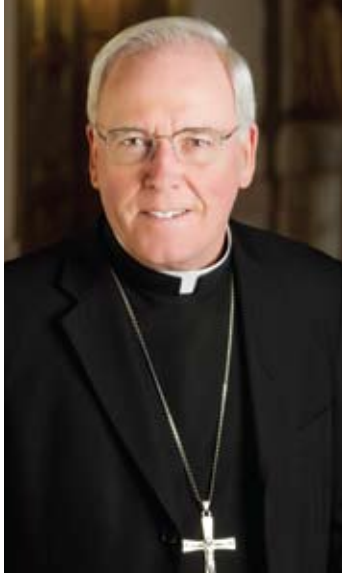


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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

MOST REVEREND RICHARD J. MALONE
BISHOP OF BUFFALO
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It is a great honor to serve as the 14th Bishop of Buffalo and I look forward to growing in faith with you in our historic and vibrant diocese. While I am pleased to present this annual report for Christ the King Seminary, on behalf of the entire Board of Trustees, I do so with much gratitude to the Most Reverend Edward U. Kmiec.

Under Bishop Kmiec's leadership, the Seminary was designated as the center of faith formation for our diocese. The stories on the pages of this report are testament to his loving support of this unique educational institution. The Seminary is another example of how Bishop Kmiec leaves a firm foundation in our diocese, on which, in challenging times, we can continue to build our Church in Buffalo. I personally thank him for his wise leadership.

As I noted when I was first introduced to our diocese, one of my main priorities as bishop is to strengthen the response of our Catholic people to the universal call to holiness and to engage ever more effectively in the mission of the new evangelization. The theme of this year's report focuses on the new evangelization, what Blessed John Paul II described as "a call to the people of today, especially the young, to follow the paths of the Gospel in the direction of a better world."

The collaborative model of faith formation at Christ the King Seminary is ideally suited for God's call to the people of today to further the mission of Jesus Christ in the contemporary world. We have new ways to spread the Gospel that the early apostles could never have dreamed of, yet the mission is the same – to unite one another in Christ. I invite you to read on and see how the Seminary is at the center of new evangelization in your diocese.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Richard J. Malone
Bishop of Buffalo

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What is the new evangelization?

The apostles spread the Gospel speaking from mountainsides to the crowds that would gather.

Today we have technology to spread the Good News in every corner of the earth.

When the Risen Christ appeared to Peter and instructed him to “tend my sheep,” the saint recognized as the first pope of our church guided thousands of early Christians. Today Pope Benedict XVI tends to a flock of nearly 1.2 billion Catholics worldwide.

The new evangelization centers on the fact that, while the world is vastly different from the early days of Christianity, the mission of our Church has never changed. Our baptism in Christ calls us to go out into the modern world and make it a better place, following the example of Jesus.

According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the new evangelization invites each Catholic to renew his/her relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church. And in a special way, the new evangelization is focused on ‘re-proposing’ the Gospel to those who have experienced a crisis of faith and fallen away from the Church.

Christ the King Seminary serves as a center of the new evangelization in our diocese, helping to prepare our priests, deacons, and lay men and women to minister in the contemporary world.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

REV. PETER DRILLING, TH.D.
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Over a century and a half ago a young British gentleman was deciding that he should become a Roman Catholic. He was already an author with a keen theological sense, and he would gradually become highly regarded in the Church, so much so that Pope Benedict XVI recently traveled to John Henry Newman's hometown of Birmingham, England, to beatify him. In the middle of the nineteenth century Blessed John Henry Newman wrote: “In a higher world it is otherwise, but here below to live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often.” How true!

And because human beings do change, if we are going to become ever more the persons God has created us to be, the society we make and the Church we build must change too. The change that John Henry Newman was highlighting is conversion to the true and the good and the beautiful. Unfortunately, too often the changes individuals and society make are haphazard, as if to say: “If we can do it, we will.” Instead, we must discern what is the right way to change and when is the right time to do it.

Throughout his pontificate, as he traveled from country to country, Pope John Paul II highlighted the need for “a new evangelization.” He meant that the members of the Church need to recognize that we live in a rapidly changing world and so we need to preach the Gospel of Jesus accordingly. Jesus first brought his Gospel message to his fellow Jews. St. Paul and other apostles of the first Christian community then took the Gospel to the wider Greco-Roman community and, if they were going to be successful, they needed to evangelize with sensitivity to that cultural context. In the 21st century we have the same challenge: how to preach the one and only Gospel of Christ Jesus in our cultural circumstances. Jesus never said that evangelization is easy.

At Christ the King Seminary we take seriously Pope John Paul II's call to evangelize the people of our time and place in ways that genuinely speak to the rapidly changing culture. We want to preserve the true faith; that doesn't change. But we need to preach that faith in ways that invite a response on the part of people today. In his instruction to priests, written in 1992, Pope John Paul II issued a clarion call: be a bridge for the people you serve so that they can access the Gospel; don't be an obstacle keeping them from the Gospel message. This involves the truths of our faith and it involves pastoral sensitivity in which we present the truths and, indeed, the whole life of the Church.

This annual report conveys how generous our donors are to Christ the King Seminary, showing that you trust us in our efforts to foster the new evangelization. At the same time, we can't run from the serious challenges of maintaining a seminary in our constantly changing culture. The Church must continue to educate seminarians on track to become priests, even if fewer are coming forward to serve in this ministry. No less, the Church must educate candidates for the permanent diaconate and for lay ecclesial ministry.

Thank you for your ongoing support in these unstable times. I speak in the name of the entire community of Christ the King Seminary when I say that we are all most grateful. Let us keep working together to build up the kingdom of God.

Rev. Peter Drilling, Th.D.
President-Rector



“Evangelizing is not merely a way of speaking, but a form of living.”
 – Pope Benedict XVI (Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger at the time of writing)

Newly Ordained for the New Evangelization

Bishop Edward U. Kmiec ordained three new priests for the diocese during ceremonies at St. Joseph Cathedral in Buffalo this past June. The new priests, **Seán Paul Fleming**, **Andrew Lauricella** and **Jeffrey Nowak**, are now serving the people of the diocese in parish assignments from Niagara Falls to Orchard Park.

Father Seán Paul Fleming has been appointed Parochial Vicar at St. John the Baptist Parish in Kenmore. A native of Eden, NY, Father Fleming said the Seminary’s emphasis on spiritual and human formation is crucial to his priestly ministry as he serves in the parish.

“I believe the human and spiritual formation are so linked – it takes the human person, with all of our flaws, to be able to say I need the spiritual, I need God in my life,” he explained. “As priests, we are there as companions with our parishioners on that spiritual journey, helping to guide them, but getting out of God’s way to let Him take hold.”

Father Andrew Lauricella has been appointed Parochial Vicar at St. Vincent DePaul Parish in Niagara Falls. Born and raised in Buffalo, Father Lauricella pointed out how the collaborative model of the Seminary will help him in fostering the new evangelization in the Diocese of Buffalo.

“The Seminary does a great job of really promoting the understanding of Vatican II and its concept of how the priesthood of the baptized and the ministerial priesthood are to be complementary to one another,” he said. “I see the new evangelization at work at St. Vincent DePaul, where our pastor, Father Robert Hughson, is very good at channeling the skills of parishioners who are inclined to oversee our numerous ministries.”

Father Jeffrey Nowak has been appointed Parochial Vicar at St. John Vianney Parish in Orchard Park. While he was finishing his studies at the Seminary, Father Nowak offered an example of the new evangelization as he served as a weekend assistant at three city parishes – Blessed Sacrament, St. Martin de Porres and Holy Cross.

“It was a unique experience, working at Holy Cross with parishioners who are primarily members of the Hispanic community, then at St. Martin de Porres with its strong support by African American Catholics,” he said. “Their worship not only reflects their Catholicity, but it also reflects their culture. The new evangelization requires us to recognize Christ in the people to whom we are ministering.”

PICTURED TO THE LEFT Newly-ordained Fr. Jeffrey Nowak celebrates Mass at St. John Vianney Parish in Orchard Park, NY.

BALANCE KEY TO PROGRAM FOR *Priestly Formation*

In his Apostolic Exhortation on the priesthood, called “I Will Give You Shepherds,” Pope John Paul II highlighted four areas of formation that must be addressed: human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral. Christ the King Seminary refers to these areas as the four pillars of formation, the foundation of our Program for Priestly Formation.

While theological study and pastoral training take center stage for seminarians, now, more than ever, the Seminary’s program emphasizes the human and spiritual formation as well. Just as the new evangelization calls for Church leaders to be prepared for different opportunities and challenges in an ever-changing world, the Seminary is at the forefront of preparing seminarians for their modern priestly ministry.

According to Father Greg Faulhaber, Vice-Rector, Director of Formation, and Professor of Moral Theology at Christ the King, the Seminary aims to provide a well-rounded formation program so that in service to our diocese, the ordained priest is equipped for every aspect of ministry.

“The world today is a fractured place and the priest needs to stay grounded in what God means to him and his own faith in order to serve others,” he explained. “In spiritual and human formation, we help the seminarian keep a balance in his life so that he can better help people in their faith life.”



Seminarians Serving Our Parishes

Bryan Zielenieski is currently a seminarian at Christ the King Seminary who spent his pastoral year at Christ the King Parish in Snyder, NY. He offers an example of how his seminary training – and the collaborative model of the Seminary – translates into the new evangelization in our diocese.

Bryan worked with numerous parishioners, helping to redesign the parish web site and bulletin, and participating in other ministries. He also worked with children in the parish school and members of the youth group, and taught religious education classes.

“We talk about collaboration in our studies, and this assignment was my first hands-on experience within the parish setting,” Bryan said.

“I learned how we have to make faith relevant utilizing the means of today’s world, yet at the same time the new evangelization is built on the relationships we have with one another.”

Bryan also worked with Renee Villa, the pastoral associate at the parish and a graduate of Christ the King Seminary, having earned the degree of Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry. Bryan and Renee shared classes, and both said the seminarian’s assignment was an extension of the collaborative model of the Seminary.

“Bryan brought a great understanding of liturgy to the parish and when he preached at Mass, I recognized the Seminary training in his sermons,” Renee explained. “I think it shows that the religious faculty at the Seminary bring the richness of their vocation and their own spirituality to their teaching, which in turn helps the seminarian in his formation.”

Welcoming New Seminarians

Christ the King Seminary welcomed six new seminarians this past year, from different backgrounds, each with special gifts to bring to their diocesan ministry. The seminarians come from all areas including Western New York, Canada and even Nigeria. Their experiences include past careers in the U.S. Air Force, marketing, banking, and computer programming.

Fr. Andrew Lauricella, one of three newly-ordained priests for the Diocese of Buffalo, enjoys ministering to the youth of St. Vincent DePaul Parish in Niagara Falls. He is pictured here with members of the parish youth group at their Sunday night meeting.

REACHING OUT. *Reaching More.*

Extending Our Reach

The Seminary continued to fine-tune its blended distance learning program this past year, striving to more conveniently deliver academic programs at multiple locations within the Diocese of Buffalo. Students in both the Graduate and Continuing Education programs now have the option of taking select classes at St. Bonaventure University, Niagara University or Canisius College through video-conferencing technology.

The courses are live and interactive and national studies have shown that the learning in such programs is actually enhanced, as the subject retention is at least equal if not better than in-classroom studies.

The blended distance learning program enables the Seminary to offer its programs to more diocesan faithful at locations more convenient for them from north to south. Equipment enhancements were initiated this year to make the distance learning experience more seamless and smooth, including the installation of additional cameras.

More information on graduate courses now being offered through the distance learning program can be found in the highlights section that follows.

“The Holy Spirit is the principal agent of evangelization.”

– *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, an apostolic exhortation issued by Pope Paul VI.

Pictured is seminarian John Stanton, recording the Faith Moments messages for September. John is in his final year of study at the Seminary.



Reaching More People

This past year, more than 8,600 people used the campus of Christ the King Seminary – from seminarians and lay students, to parish groups and diocesan event attendees, to area faithful seeking to strengthen their spirituality and understanding of God’s Word. With its designation as the center of faith formation for the diocese, the Seminary continually strives to reach more people in the spirit of the new evangelization.

“We can’t assume that all Catholics are able to maintain their faith in the many distractions of our contemporary cultural surroundings, so we must always preach the Gospel anew,” explained Rev. Peter Drilling, Th.D., President-Rector of the Seminary. “The Seminary is proud to play a role in finding new ways to reach out to people and meet their faith needs in the post-modern world.”

In addition to educating men and women seeking to minister, the Seminary and its resources are utilized by a wide variety of people throughout the year, including both

Catholic and non-Catholic church groups and nonprofit community organizations. The Seminary campus comes alive with numerous activities such as retreats, workshops, study days, and convocations, not to mention Eucharist and other liturgical services in the St. John Vianney Chapel. What’s more, the Seminary library – with a collection of more than 198,000 volumes – is an outstanding resource, not only for students on campus, but also for the faithful throughout the diocese.

Reaching Out on the Air

At the beginning of 2012, Christ the King Seminary initiated a faith enrichment program called Faith Moments designed to reach out to the community with encouraging spiritual messages on the radio. Funded by a grant from the Bishop’s Council of the Laity, the Faith Moments program is targeted toward Catholics, particularly those who may have fallen away from the Church. However, the 60-second messages are created to appeal to non-Catholic listeners as well.

According to Michael Sherry, Executive Director of Operations at the Seminary, the program is a good example of new evangelization and the need to take the Gospel to where the people are.

“Just as St. Paul went to the Greek marketplace to preach the Gospel, we are taking Christ’s teachings to where we can reach the most people in their busy lives today – in their car, at work, and in their home,” he said.

Faith Moments are aired Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday each week during morning drive time on WBEN Radio 930 AM when the station has its highest listening audience of more than 78,000 adults. The messages are delivered by alumni or those associated with Christ the King Seminary, including priests, deacons, women religious and lay ecclesial ministers. The messages are also posted on a dedicated section of the Seminary’s web site – www.faithmomentsonline.org.

“Response to the program has been very positive and we are accomplishing several things with this unique ministry,” concluded Michael Sherry. “We are illustrating our Christian faith as a foundation for facing life’s challenges, we are increasing awareness of the Seminary as the diocesan center for faith formation, and we are educating those of other faiths about our Catholic beliefs.”



2011/2012 Highlights

Christ the King Seminary conferred 28 degrees and certificates this past year. At this writing 21 seminarians are enrolled alongside 30 diaconal candidates and deacons and 49 lay graduate students, all training to serve the future needs of our diocese. More than 650 Seminary alumni are currently ministering in all areas of the diocese, including as priests, permanent deacons, women religious, directors of diocesan offices, and many other roles.

Ordinations into the Permanent Diaconate

Five area men were ordained permanent deacons in the Diocese of Buffalo in June of this year after completing a training program of spiritual, theological and pastoral formation at Christ the King Seminary.

Deacon Greg Feary, Director of Diaconal Formation for the Diocese of Buffalo, noted the collaboration between the diocese and the Seminary in training these deacons for what he called the very definition of the new evangelization.

“When the Bishop presents the ordained deacon with a Book of the Gospels, he proclaims ‘receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you now are. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach,’” Deacon Feary said. “In this sacred action, the deacon is charged with evangelizing the world within which he lives. Now that’s new evangelization.”

Bishop Kmiec assigned the new deacons to diaconal ministry in the diocese. They include:

Deacon David E. Clabeaux, Queen of Heaven Parish, West Seneca, and Absolut Care of Orchard Brooke in Orchard Park.

Deacon John H. Hendricks, St. Martha Parish, Depew, and Harris Hill Nursing Home in Lancaster.

Deacon Alejandro D. Manunta, St. Christopher Parish, Tonawanda, and Beechwood Continuing Care Facility, Getzville.

Deacon Richard R. Stachura Jr., St. Mary, Swormville, and the Villages of Orleans Health and Rehab Center in Albion.

Deacon Edward M. Zablocki, Blessed Sacrament, Tonawanda, and the diocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities.

Deacon Feary pointed out that while four of the five new deacons were assigned to adult care facilities, there are more than 125 permanent deacons serving throughout the Diocese of Buffalo in a wide variety of roles including parishes, hospitals, and prison ministries. He also noted that enrollment in the diaconal formation program remained steady over the past year, with 30 candidates in the program, 10 of whom are anticipated to be ordained permanent deacons next year.

Expansion of Distance Learning for Graduate Programs

The 2011 fall semester was the first semester the Seminary offered graduate level courses through its three distance learning sites. Three courses were offered during the year with students learning at two different sites at Niagara University and Canisius College.

The enhanced distance learning enables more lay men and women to participate in courses toward a graduate degree as their schedules and busy lives allow. The program is a blended learning initiative, meaning the classes are with an instructor, not just online courses.



“Our aim is to make courses more accessible for lay people interested in pursuing a graduate degree,” explained Michael Sherry, Executive Director of Operations. “These courses help them to discern their calling to any potential ministries and to be equipped for those ministries in the spirit of the new evangelization.”



Curé of Ars Awards Dinner

Christ the King Seminary honored Bishop Edward M. Grosz, Auxiliary Bishop of Buffalo, and the Vincent & Harriet Palisano Foundation at the 2011 Curé of Ars Awards Dinner last fall. The Curé of Ars Award was established by Christ the King Seminary’s Board of Trustees and is given annually to honor individuals and organizations whose lives reflect the qualities of Christian dedication and service that marked the life of St. John Vianney, known as the Curé of Ars.

Bishop Grosz has served the Diocese of Buffalo for more than four decades. His service is distinguished by his work as a deeply spiritual and caring priest, who is admired for managing his schedule to always be there when called upon for those who are ill, troubled or in need. He has served in parishes and organizations as a chaplain, spiritual moderator, the head of various diocesan offices, and as a faculty member of the permanent diaconate formation program at Christ the King Seminary.

Established in 1962, the Palisano Foundation provides scholarships to eight colleges, including Christ the King Seminary, and sixteen high schools in Western New York. Additionally, the Foundation supported the modernization of the Seminary’s library cataloging system. In 1987, the Foundation’s trustees established the Palisano Religious Vocation Fund at Canisius College to provide scholarship loans to men and women pursuing religious vocations. Seventeen graduates of Christ the King Seminary have taken advantage of this program.

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Fr. Seán Paul Fleming was ordained in June 2012 and is currently Parochial Vicar at St. John the Baptist Parish in Kenmore.



New Evangelization IN THE FUTURE

The Seminary is continually improving and enhancing its courses, services, programs and facilities to meet the faith formation needs of the Diocese of Buffalo. In doing so, we champion the new evangelization while looking forward to meeting the challenges anticipated for the Church in the future.

Some ways we strengthened the Seminary mission for the needs of tomorrow are highlighted here.

Reaccreditation Process Begun

The Seminary is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and must undergo a reaccreditation process every ten years with the government accrediting agency, the Middle States Commission. In addition, the Seminary is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools.

The reaccreditation process began in 2011, and this past year the Seminary completed some significant steps in the process that demonstrate its policies and procedures meet certain standards set by the accrediting agencies.

For example, the self-study portion of the reaccreditation was completed and approved by the Seminary Board of Trustees and was sent to the Middle States examiners. Dennis Castillo, Ph.D., Academic Dean at the Seminary, said the self-study was an intense evaluation that was very collaborative with many committees involving faculty, students, trustees and alumni.

“We evaluated our programs, we saw areas that we need to address, and we’ve adopted strategies to address those areas,” he explained. “The reaccreditation process actually helps us in our approach to the new evangelization as it challenges us to be sensitive to our times and the cultural changes taking place all around us.”

Sister Marion Moeser, Seminary faculty member and project director for the reaccreditation process, praised the efforts of all the Seminary committees. “I have worked at numerous other educational institutions and I can say I am very happy and proud of how the Seminary is meeting the standards of the reaccreditation process,” she says.

A joint visit to the Seminary by representatives of the Middle States Commission and the Association of Theological Schools is scheduled to take place in the fall of 2012, and it is anticipated that the agencies will share their recommendations in early 2013.

Jordan Parish Assistance Program Enhanced

The Jordan Parish Assistance Program was established through the generosity of Miss Helen Jordan to provide financial aid for lay students matriculated in master’s degree programs at Christ the King Seminary. The Seminary works in partnership with the student’s parish to cover a portion of their tuition, aiming to make a master’s degree more accessible to more people in the diocese.

Beginning with the Fall 2012 semester, the Seminary increased its portion of the tuition covered from one-third to half. **That means the Seminary will cover 50% of the tuition, while the sponsoring parish will only need to cover 25%.** The balance of the tuition will be the responsibility of the student.

“These changes to the Jordan Parish Assistance Program will make training for ministry more affordable for both the student and their sponsoring parish,” explained Rev. Peter Drilling, Th.D., President-Rector. “The program is an important resource for preparing future leaders of our Church to take part in the new evangelization.”

More information on the Jordan Parish Assistance Program is available on the Seminary web site at www.cks.edu or by calling the finance office at 716-655-7085.

“The new evangelization will bear an abundant harvest if all Christians respond with generosity and holiness to the calls and challenges of our time.”

— *Redemptoris Missio*, a Papal encyclical by Pope John Paul II



CHRIST THE KING SEMINARY
FINANCIAL POSITION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF MAY 31, 2012

	2012	2011
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 585,988	\$ 442,201
Accounts Receivable	77,399	170,260
Prepaid Expenses	21,131	19,121
Investments, at fair value	5,691,488	6,507,613
Property & Equipment, net	1,406,112	1,677,566
Intangible Asset, net	164,063	166,797
Total Assets	\$ 7,946,181	\$ 8,983,558
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 430,857	\$ 317,645
Deferred Revenue	65,271	63,508
Notes Payable	154,668	319,903
Contributions Payable	80,000	80,000
Other Liabilities	43,817	36,803
Total Liabilities	\$ 774,613	\$ 817,859
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	\$ 3,027,381	\$ 3,835,636
Temporarily Restricted	1,027,918	1,213,794
Permanently Restricted	3,116,269	3,116,269
Total Net Assets	\$ 7,171,568	\$ 8,165,699
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 7,946,181	\$ 8,983,558

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