

Ways You Can Give to the Josephinum



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Dear Benefactors and Friends,

The remarkable formation program for which the Pontifical College Josephinum has long been known owes its lasting legacy and confident future to the sacrifices and prayers of you, its faithful benefactors.

Your annual gifts and legacy gifts to the Josephinum make it possible for us to give our seminarians what they need academically, spiritually, environmentally, and socially, in a life-giving and joyful home that we call the House of Joseph.

As you prayerfully contemplate a donation – and perhaps consider leaving your legacy at the Josephinum – know that I am grateful for your support of the tradition of giving that was begun by our founder, Monsignor Joseph Jessing.

I ask that you please continue to pray for the men who are here in formation. Know that you are always invited to visit the House of Joseph; we would be honored to welcome you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Steven P. Beseau

Rector/President

P.S. Please reach out to our Advancement staff or visit our website at www.pcj.edu/give for guidance as you prayerfully consider making or planning a gift.

Ways You Can Give to the Josephinum

The Josephinum's mission – to form men to be generous, holy priests – remains as sound and steadfast as ever. Just as our mission is steadfast, so too is the support of our alumni and friends. The remarkable formation program for which the Josephinum has long been known owes its lasting legacy and confident future to the sacrifices and prayers of our faithful benefactors. Your gifts to the Josephinum make it possible for us to give our seminarians what they need academically, spiritually, environmentally, and socially, in a life-giving and joyful "House of Joseph."

No matter what level of giving you feel called to, please prayerfully consider what you are able to share. Every gift, ultimately, enables us at the Josephinum to be instruments of His plan, His glory, and the glory of His Church.

The three areas of charitable giving through which our alumni, parents and friends can make the greatest impact are described in greater detail below. They are annual gifts to the Josephinum Fund for Seminarian Education for day-to-day operations; capital campaign gifts for physical plant improvements and establishing an endowed fund or current use funds; and gifts from your estate and last will and testament. Our website provides a safe and secure giving portal as well as planning aides to assist you with transferring appreciated securities and making decisions on remembering the Josephinum in your estate.

Annual Fund Gifts for Seminary Operations

■ Cash Gifts Options

- The Josephinum sends out an annual fund appeal every fall; please consider a recurring gift!
- Give a safe and secure donation (one-time or recurring) online at www.pcj.edu/give
- Give by check or credit card using the envelope in every issue of the *Josephinum Times*
- The Josephinum recognizes all donors in its Donor Honor Roll on the Josephinum website

■ Appreciated Property, Including Stock/Securities

Please check with your advisor for any changes to tax laws regarding stock gifts

- A stock gift transfer form is available online at www.pcj.edu/give
- A gift of appreciated stock (typically held for longer than one year) is an ideal and tax-wise method of supporting the Josephinum.
- As an added benefit to the donor, gifts of appreciated stock avoid any capital gains on the increased value

of the appreciated property. Donors receive a full deduction for the full market value at the time of the gift and capital gains tax is not due when the stock is transferred to the Josephinum.

- The mean market value on the date of the transfer will determine the value of the gift for tax purposes. These specific valuations will be provided by Advancement Office staff.

■ Donor Advised Funds

- Donor Advised Funds (DAF) are an excellent vehicle to support the Josephinum
- Instruct your foundation team to direct all DAF gifts to Pontifical College Josephinum
7625 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43235
- Our Federal Tax ID is 31-4379535

■ IRA/Retirement Assets

An ideal way to give to the Josephinum!

The laws and guidelines on making charitable gifts through your IRA are known to change based on circumstances beyond our control. Please consult with your tax advisor before you start planning a gift of retirement assets.

- Under normal circumstances, if you have an IRA and are over age 70 1/2, you can amplify your gift to the Josephinum.
- If you instruct a direct transfer from your IRA to the Josephinum (by a custodian) in a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), you can exclude that amount from income on your tax return and lower your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).

■ Corporate Matching Gifts

Contact the human resources or benefits office of your company to see if it has a matching gift program.

- Many companies provide funds to match gifts made by their employees and retirees to certain non-profit institutions. The Josephinum is registered as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization thus making it eligible to receive matching gifts.
- Matching gifts extend the donor's gift and make a more significant impact.
- These gifts enhance the philanthropy of the company while encouraging employees and retirees to support their favorite charities.

■ Bonuses

Individuals in sales or who have their own business may experience a year that is generating extra income and causing income tax issues. There are ways to schedule a multi-year commitment to the Josephinum yet take the entire tax deduction for the current year. Again, it is important to conduct due diligence up front with a tax advisory team.

■ Investment Real Estate / Agriculture/ Other Income-Producing Assets

A truly diverse portfolio of assets comes with special goals and unique challenges. The income from these assets can be directed toward the Josephinum for a period of years, while keeping the assets intact and returned to you or your heirs at a later date. If you have these kinds of unique assets, we can help to work out a plan that makes the most sense for you and your charitable goals.

■ Collectibles

Do you have antiques, art, vintage automobiles or other types of high-end collectibles? Often these assets were acquired for enjoyment but have since become a burden in terms of insurance costs, maintenance, and storage. By gifting them to the Josephinum, items that are not producing income and are likely costing you money can be put to good use for the *House of Joseph*. Reach out to us to find ways to work with our partners to convert these assets both to help the Josephinum and maximize your benefit.

■ Family Gifts

If you are part of a wonderfully-supportive family that gives together, the popular concept of family giving might be an ideal way for parents and siblings to combine pledges and make a larger statement of support.

■ In-Kind Gifts

- Gifts of building materials, goods, or services are accepted by the Josephinum with prior approval from our treasurer's office
- The Josephinum will provide a letter of receipt; note that, per IRS statute, the seminary does not provide a fair market value on gift-in-kind goods and services
- Donors may pursue valuation through a qualified appraisal service or other appropriate valuation techniques

■ Other Ways to Give

- Brokerage Accounts
- Certificates of Deposit (CD's)
- Checking Accounts with POD provisions (payable upon death)
- Personal Property, i.e., collections, royalty, and mineral rights
- Saving Accounts

■ Property That Has Lost Value

- Donor sells the property, takes a loss for tax purposes, and then contributes the sale proceeds
- A tax deduction is given for both the loss and the charitable gift

■ Real Estate

- A donor may gift a residence, farm, or vacation home, reserving a right of occupancy as long as donor and spouse are living
- Irrevocable gift qualifies for immediate tax deduction based on present value of remainder interest
- Assign directly to the organization or, preferably, transfer through a broker.

Amount of contribution is fair market value on the date of transfer.

■ Closely Held Stock

- Produces a current tax deduction equal to fair market value of the stock.
- Could reduce liability for accumulated earnings tax

Capital Campaigns for Physical Plant Improvements

From time to time, the Josephinum embarks on a major fundraising initiative, such as a capital campaign or focused fundraising effort, to: improve buildings and grounds; renovate and restore, our chapels; support campus technology improvements to meet the demands of the current times and enhance our ability to recruit and retain pre-eminent faculty.

Some individuals have been especially blessed by the Lord with material means. Setting up a permanent endowment or an annual current-use fund allows donors to focus their charity on a specific area at the Josephinum.

- Capital campaigns are structured to align with the institution's strategic plans
- Campaigns require a generous response from a smaller percentage of longtime donors
- Campaigns focus on tuition assistance for seminarians; recruitment and retention of preeminent faculty; technology upgrades; and brick and mortar expansion or renovations to our buildings and grounds
- Improvements and renovations to our four chapels and sacred places

Establishing a Named Endowed Fund or Current-Use Fund

- Your endowment will exist at the Pontifical College Josephinum in perpetuum and can be funded with cash, appreciated stock, or proceeds from a sale of personal property during a donor's lifetime (sometimes known as Living Endowment)
- Endowed funds are also established through a bequest in a donor's estate (known as a Testamentary Endowment) and are funded as part of the settlement of the decedent's estate
- Current-use funds serve the same purpose as

endowed funds but are not set up on a permanent basis. Rather they are funded annually and on a recurring basis with cash gifts that provide funding to a specific area of need at the Josephinum.

- Current-use funds exist as long as the donor provides the cash funding annually.

Remembering the Josephinum in Your Last Will and Testament

- Leaving a gift to the Josephinum in a will is a long-honored tradition among alumni, parents and friends of the seminary
- To honor our founder's vision and life's work to create an affordable institution for all seminarians from all walks of life, **The Jessing Society** was established to recognize donors who declared a gift in their Last Will & Testament
- Federal and state laws on income and inheritance taxes require that all donors consult with an experienced financial advisor/tax advisor prior to finalizing a planned-giving strategy
- The Josephinum's estate-giving document may be found online at: www.pcj.edu/plannedgiving
- Please refer to the estate-planning section of this Charitable Giving Guide for greater details on how you can add the Josephinum as a beneficiary in your Last Will & Testament

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How will my gift to the Josephinum Fund be used?

A: Your generous support of our Annual Fund will go toward the day-to-day operations of The House of Joseph. That means, of course, the direct beneficiaries of your generosity are the seminarians! This is our highest priority for charitable giving.

Q. How much should I pledge?

A: Please take this question to prayer, and give as you feel called and within your means.

Q. I have never made a recurring gift. Why start now?

A: Gifts of this nature allow most contributors to consider a more significant contribution overall. While one-time gifts have great meaning and value, monthly sustained giving helps the Josephinum on a consistent level.

Q. Can I establish a named fund without endowing it?

A: Yes. These are "Current Use Named Funds." The criteria is developed in coordination with our rector and treasurer. Instead of being invested in perpetuity, current-use funds require lump-sum cash gifts that are spent in their entirety each fiscal year. Your fund will require a replenishment of cash funding at that same level each and every year.

Still have questions? Please email us at give@pcj.edu or call Vice President for Advancement, Mr. Doug Stein, at 614-985-2325 or Advancement Director, Mrs. Meghan Henschen, at 614-985-2234.

Nota Bene

- The information offered herein is derived from multiple public sources and should not be taken as legal advice.
- Please consult with your personal team of advisors when making decisions

A Final Note

We recognize that your charitable giving is, ultimately, about giving to God and building His Kingdom here on earth. The Josephinum enjoys a long tradition of charitable giving that dates back to its founding in 1888. Our founder, Monsignor Joseph Jessing, was a tireless fundraiser. He knew that seminary education required gifts from the community wide and far. Over the years, that tradition of charity grew into capital campaigns to fund the New Josephinum, as well as gifts left to us by alumni and friends who named the Josephinum in their wills. Please keep in your prayers our beloved Josephinum and the men here who will be our future priests. May God reward you!

Questions? Please contact us!

Please contact us if you have any questions or need more information regarding making or planning a gift to the Pontifical College Josephinum.

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■ Support the Josephinum on Social Media!

- Follow our social media accounts on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn
- Like and share our posts
- Invite your friends and family to follow us
- Engage with our content (i.e. comment)
- Alumni – list the Josephinum as your school attended on LinkedIn

■ Amazon Smile

AmazonSmile is an easy way to support the Josephinum! When you shop AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the Josephinum, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on any web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones.

A Tradition of Charitable Support

Monsignor Joseph Jessing knew that operating an orphanage and seminary relied on God's Providence and the charity resting in the hearts of the faithful. After consultation with and a blessing from Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans, then Bishop of Columbus, Monsignor founded Saint Joseph Orphanage in 1875 in Pomeroy, Ohio, 100 miles southeast of Columbus on the Ohio River.

The orphanage soon outgrew its home and was moved to Columbus in 1877. The Collegium Josephinum was founded 11 years later in 1888 and it, too, began to flourish. In December 1892, the Josephinum was designated "Pontifical" by Pope Leo XIII. The Josephinum's scholarship program began the following September, when Monsignor Jessing pooled donations that arrived from across the country due to the wide distribution of his German-language newspaper, *Ohio Waisenfreund*. He named that first scholarship after Saint Peter.

Most of the mailed donation envelopes contained a slip of paper bearing the name of the seminarian the donor wished to sponsor, followed by a town and state, or simply just the state. Monsignor referred to these early donors as his "collaborators" and adopted a practice of listing them and the value of their contribution in the newspaper and, later, in the newsletter *The Josephinum Review*. That tradition continued until 1967, when the last issue of the *The Josephinum Review* was published.

The Josephinum Endowment: A Brief History

From the Josephinum's inception in 1888, founder Monsignor Joseph Jessing dedicated his life's work to a plan for a "completely free" institution where students would "receive their education, maintenance and all they need, free of charge; all for the glory of God." This premise was composed by Monsignor Jessing in 1893, in the wake of the Josephinum's new-found pontifical status granted late the previous year.

By Jessing's design, the primary means of financing each student was profits from newspaper subscriptions and charitable gifts generated through the *Ohio Waisenfreund*, the German-language weekly newspaper founded 20 years earlier by Jessing in Pomeroy, Ohio. In the early 1890s the circulation of the paper exceeded 40,000 and contributions in support of the seminary were given visible recognition on a weekly basis.

Msgr. Jessing knew intuitively, however, that a permanent funding solution was needed to carry the seminary through economic ups and downs. He created a development plan to pool gifts and, when \$5,000 was



raised (equal to \$145,000 today), invest that founding principal in an endowment for tuition assistance.

The plan came together during the 1892-93 academic year when the Josephinum took part in the national and local observances of the 400th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' discovery of the New World. A consummate strategic planner, Monsignor Jessing arranged two prominent tributes to commemorate this historic observance – one at The World's Columbian Exhibit of 1892-93 (also known as the Chicago World's Fair) and the other in Columbus, Ohio.

The first tribute was Monsignor Jessing's commissioning of a 9-foot copper statue of Christopher Columbus created by artist Alfonso Pelzer and, for \$500, commissioned through the W.H. Mullins Studio Co, of Salem, Ohio. The 150-pound statue was placed on a horse-drawn cart and, with the Josephinum Band playing, the fanfare made its way through the streets of downtown Columbus to the statue's destination of the seminary's main courtyard at 18th and Main. When the Josephinum moved its campus north of Worthington in 1932, the statue was gifted to the people of Ohio and found its new home at the Ohio Statehouse. Photographs of the Columbus statue were placed on display at the Josephinum's World's Fair exhibit.

The second tribute was a magnificent High Altar created by the craftsmen of the Josephinum Altar Works Company and the orphan boys who were being trained as woodworkers at the Josephinum's industrial school. This breathtaking Gothic altar was made of American oak, white mahogany, and red mahogany; it measured 23-feet high and 14-feet wide, with a 9-foot altar table.

The 12 columns supporting the table were made of red mahogany. The upper structure comprised three parts. The exposition tabernacle and repository are in the central baldachin-turret. The two grand side towers contained niches for life-sized statues of Saint Peter and Saint Paul. Next to the tabernacle were two adoring angels on pillars with rich and artistic capitals, under corresponding baldachins. Between the central and side structure high above the gradation were reliquaries of white mahogany in a rich enclosure under elegant canopies. The richly jointed altar with its many elaborate pinnacles was entirely of carved work. All columns on the altar were of red mahogany. 133 artistically carved cross-flowers surmounted as many turrets and pinnacles. The steps and platforms were made of chestnut with elegantly inlaid work.

In the middle of the antependium was a niche containing a carved wooden panel of the Lamb of God surrounded by the symbols of the four Evangelists carved in white mahogany. According to the description provided by Sacred Heart Church the two carved plaques of the four Evangelists can be found in Ezekiel 1:1-21. The prophet Ezekiel had a vision in which he saw four living creatures whose form was human, and "Each had four faces, each had four wings...As to the

appearance of their faces all four had a human face, and a lion's face to the right, and all four had a bull's face to the left, and all four had an eagle's face." Revelation 4:6-8 relates a vision of living creatures shown again as a lion, an ox, a man, and an eagle. Saint Irenaeus (140-202 AD) related these images to the four Gospel writers in his treatise, *Adversus Haereses*.

The Sacred Heart Church description of the altar reads, "Saint Matthew is represented by a divine man because his Gospel highlights Jesus' entry into this world and shows the humanity of Jesus. Saint Mark is represented by the lion because his Gospel portrays the kingship or royalty of Jesus. The lion is a symbol of royalty. The winged ox represents Saint Luke because his Gospel tells of temple sacrifice and portrays Jesus as priest and redemptive sacrifice. The ox was used during the Old Testament times as a temple sacrifice. Saint John is represented by the rising eagle because his Gospel shows the divinity of Jesus—the glory of an only Son. Saint John delves deep into the mystery of God and relates the most profound teachings of Jesus to those who are reading his Gospel."

The magnificent altar attracted the attention of German native Mr. George Kanne, a businessman from Saint Louis, who purchased the altar for his German-speaking parish of Holy Rosary. Monsignor Jessing invested Mr. Kanne's payment of \$5,000 (which arrived by check on December 6, 1893, the Feast of Saint Nicholas) as the founding investment of the Josephinum's first endowed scholarship.

(As a footnote to this fascinating history, the 1893 altar was too high for the sanctuary at Holy Rosary Church, so Kanne arranged for it to be sent to Sacred Heart Church in Florissant, MO, which had just been rebuilt following a devastating fire. The altar remained there until 1958 when it was dismantled due to irreparable damage caused by termites. Elements of the altar have been preserved at Sacred Heart Church: The carved plaques of the four evangelists are part of the ambo; the Lamb of God graces sacristy; one of the angel statues is displayed at the Sacred Heart History Museum; and the hand-carved statues of Saints Peter and Paul stand inside the front entrance to the church.)

A second endowment, dedicated to Saint George, was initiated just a few weeks later when \$1,000 arrived from Father Francis J. Vallazza, SJ, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Florissant. In early January 1894, a third endowment, named in honor of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, was established with a gift made by an elderly priest of the Diocese of Vincennes, IN.

This initial groundswell of support was well-publicized by Monsignor Jessing and led to the establishment of 50 privately funded endowments; individuals, families, congregations, and Catholic fraternal organizations from all over the country responded to promotions in the *Ohio Waisenfreund*. The charitable funds were pooled and invested in a local bank where they earned interest

that would cover tuition, room, and board, as well as ancillary expenses for seminarians – many of whom were from families who could not afford such things. Whenever a new endowment would come to fruition, Monsignor Jessing called together a convocation of the seminarians and the orphans who would sing the *Te Deum*. This became one of the sacred traditions of the Josephinum.

Endowed Fund Collaborators

The Josephinum Endowment, one of the most important financial assets for our seminary, is a perpetual source of income for the mission of preparing men for the holy priesthood. Our endowment is made up of 2 faculty chairs; 1 professorship; 3 endowments for general operating support; 3 endowments for spiritual formation; 1 endowment for the Rector-President's discretionary use; 2 endowments for library books/journals/subscriptions; 10 funds for scholarship and need-based tuition assistance; 3 funds for scholarships and expenses for academic instruction; 1 fund for seminarians' annual pilgrimage to Rome; 1 fund for seminarian grants; 1 fund for human formation; and 1 fund for a retirement fund for alumni priests.

■ FACULTY CHAIRS & PROFESSORSHIPS

Sharron Rider and PFC William Anderson

Professorship

Established in September 2014 in memory of Sharron Rider and her brother, Private First Class William Anderson. The investment earnings underwrite the salary, benefits, and other associated costs of a professor or lecturer with the College or School of Theology.

Bishop James Griffin Chair in Canon Law

Established in December 2002 in honor of James A. Griffin, who served as the 10th Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus from April 1983 to October 2004. The annual investment earnings underwrite the annual salary, benefits, and other associated costs of a professor of canon law, and/or a faculty position designated by the Rector.

Cardinal Pio Laghi Chair for Visiting Professors in Scripture and Theology

Established in April 1990 by longtime benefactors of the Josephinum and generous donors across the United States in honor of Cardinal Pio Laghi, who served as Saint Pope John Paul II's Nuncio to the United States and Chancellor of the Josephinum from 1980 to 1990. The annual investment earnings underwrite the annual salary, benefits, and other associated costs of a faculty position designated by the Rector, and the expenses of the *Josephinum Journal of Theology*.

■ LIBRARY

The Mildred M. Daniel Memorial Fund

Established March 1993 by the family of Mildred M. Daniel, a native of Tiffin, Ohio, in her memory to support the Josephinum Library and seminarian scholarships.

Canon John J. Flattery Library Endowment Fund

Established May 12, 2011 by Very Reverend Canon John J. Flattery, a member of the Josephinum's Ordination Class of 1955, to support the PCJ Library annual acquisition of books, subscriptions, and other resources as well as new methods of delivering library information.

■ OPERATING SUPPORT

Building Spiritual Bridges To The Future Fund

Established in 2002 by the generous donors of the Josephinum for general operating support, seminarian scholarships, library technology and collections, spiritual and pastoral life, and faculty development.

Father Virgil Riedlinger Seminarian Support Fund

Established in December 1994 from the estate of Rev. Virgil J. Riedlinger, a priest of the Diocese of Toledo, to provide for the welfare, maintenance, and support of the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Father Virgil Riedlinger Priest Retirement Fund

Established in December 1994 from the estate of Rev. Virgil J. Riedlinger, a priest of the Diocese of Toledo, to provide financial assistance to retired priest alumni of the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Cecilia J. Sponsel Support Fund

Established in February 2003 from the estate of Cecilia J. Sponsel of Durango, Colorado to provide financial assistance for day-to-day operations at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

■ RECTOR'S DISCRETION

Class of 1965 Endowment Fund

Established in October 2015 on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary Year of the PCJ Class of 1965, to provide financial assistance to meet the greatest needs Josephinum at the discretion of its President-Rector.

■ SCHOLARSHIPS & ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION

Sir Virgil C. and Ann Dechant Fund

Established in 1992 by the generous donors of the Josephinum in honor of Supreme Knight, Sir Virgil C. Dechant and his wife Ann, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum, and expenses related to academic

instruction. At the time of his death in February 2020, Virgil, a former student at PCJ and twice a Trustee of the PCJ Board, was the longest serving Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

Monsignor Clarence Deruntz Scholarship Fund

Established in 1995 by the generous donors of the Josephinum in honor of Monsignor Deruntz, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum and expenses related to academic instruction

Josephinum General Scholarship Fund

Established in 1992 by the generous donors of the Josephinum, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum, and expenses related to academic instruction

Wacek Endowed Scholarship Fund

Established in December 2003 by the Wacek Trust, this fund provides scholarships to seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, the State of Kansas, and seminarians sent to the Pontifical College Josephinum by Bishop Thomas J. Olmstead, for the School of Theology at the discretion of the Rector of the Josephinum. Additional earnings of this fund may also benefit the School of Theology for its annual educational trip to Rome.

■ SCHOLARSHIPS

Diocese of Columbus Scholarship Fund

Established in January 1993 by the Diocese of Columbus as part of the Josephinum's Second Century of Progress Campaign, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Monsignor David A. Gernatt Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in June 1997 by Monsignor David A. Gernatt, a member of the Josephinum's Ordination Class of 1947, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

William F. and Rose Geiger Hahn Endowed Scholarship Fund

Established in May 2008 by J. Nick and Iris Hahn of Bellevue, Ohio, this fund subsidizes the education and formation of seminarians at the Pontifical College Josephinum at the discretion of the President-Rector.

Mirolo Scholarship Fund

Established in February 2007 from the estate of Miss Amelita Mirolo in honor of her parents Louis and Adelina Mirolo, and her brother Peter Mirolo, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Arthur J. Prendergast Jr. Scholarship Fund

Established in October 1996 by the William H. Davis, Dorothy M. Davis and William C. Davis Foundation, this scholarship is in memory of Arthur Prendergast, an attorney who for many years served as a member of the Josephinum's Board of Trustees. This fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Anthony C. Ramm Scholarship Fund

Established in December 1994, from the estate of Anthony C. Ramm of Fort Wayne, Indiana, this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

H. John III and Kathleen E. Sauer Scholarship Fund

Established in October 2002, from John and Kathleen Sauer of St. Louis County, Missouri this fund provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum with preference going to a seminarian from a Missouri diocese.

Henry and Christina Schmenk Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 1993 from the estate of Monsignor Cleo S. Schmenk, a member of the Josephinum's Ordination Class of 1953, to honor Monsignor Schmenk's parents, provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Walsh Family Scholarship Fund

Established in December 1997 from the estate of Sarah H. Walsh, provides tuition assistance to seminarians in need at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Zahniser Scholarship Fund

Established in May 2005 from Dr. Marvin R. and Adrienne A. Zahniser, this fund provides financial assistance to college seminarians from the Diocese of Columbus enrolled at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

■ SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND HUMAN FORMATION

Roger and Sally Baughman Fund: Preparing Spiritual Fathers for the New Evangelization

Established in December 2011 by Roger and Sally Baughman of Columbus, Ohio, to provide financial assistance for the Josephinum's spiritual formation activities, including retreats, and retreat directors.

Elizabeth Frost & Family Endowment

Established in October 2004 from Thomas F. Frost and Family of Williamstown, New Jersey, to honor the memory of his beloved wife, Elizabeth Frost, to support the formation of excellent priests and to provide financial assistance for the Josephinum's spiritual formation and education activities.

Father Lawrence Landini Fund

Established in June 2005 by Reverend Lawrence C. Landini, O.F.M., a former member of the Josephinum faculty, to provide financial assistance for the Josephinum's spiritual formation activities.

The Dr. Glenn, Margaret and Elsie Haninger Endowment Fund

Established in October 2011 by Dr. Glenn Haninger, a Past Chief of Staff and Past Chairman of Departments of Obstetrics and Gynecology, St. Ann's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, in loving memory of his first wife Margaret and second wife Elsie both who predeceased him, to provide financial assistance for the Josephinum's human formation programs.

■ EXTERNAL ENDOWMENTS

We are fortunate to have the following funds held in perpetuity outside the Josephinum's treasury, for the exclusive benefit of the Pontifical College Josephinum.

Monsignor Anthony Borrelli '53 Seminarian Assistance Fund

Established in January 2014 at The Catholic Foundation of Ohio from the estate of 1953 alumnus, Monsignor Anthony Borrelli, to provide financial assistance to seminarians of the Diocese of Columbus at the Pontifical College Josephinum. *NB:* Monsignor Borrelli was awarded the Msgr. Joseph Jessing Alumnus of the Year in 2012.

Sally and Tom O'Keefe Family Endowment Fund

Established by the Sally and Tom O'Keefe Family at The Catholic Foundation of Ohio to provide financial assistance to the Pontifical College Josephinum.

The Rimelspach Family Endowment Fund for the Pontifical College Josephinum

Established in January 2017 at The Catholic Foundation of Ohio by Reverend Jeffrey J. Rimelspach, a 1979 undergraduate alumnus, for the general needs of the Pontifical College Josephinum

Creating Your Named Endowment Fund at the Josephinum

Your endowment will exist at the Pontifical College Josephinum *in perpetuum* and can be funded with cash, appreciated stock, or proceeds from a sale of personal property during a donor's lifetime (sometimes known as *Living Endowment*). Endowed Funds are also established through a bequest in a donor's estate (known as a *Testamentary Endowment*) and are funded as part of the settlement of the donor's estate. All endowment funds require the drafting of specific awards criteria and the scope/purpose of the fund, which is executed with a signed endowment agreement between the donor and the Josephinum rector/president or designee. Once the funding is

in place for at least one year, the endowment will produce an annual cash award that can fund a wide range of needs for the Josephinum: annual operations; faculty chairs and professorships; scholarships/financial aid for seminarians; faculty development; library resources; spiritual and pastoral life; a travel abroad program for annual pilgrimages, and a priest-alumni retirement fund.

Levels of Endowed Fund Support

- Endowed Named Faculty Chair = \$1.2 million
- Endowed Named Faculty Professorship = \$700,000
- Endowed Named Full Scholarship = \$800,000 (based on annual tuition of \$41,000)
- Endowed Named Partial Scholarship = \$100,000 (distributes annual award of approx. \$4,000)
- Endowed Named Unrestricted Fund = \$100,000 (distributes annual award of approx. \$4,000)

Resources are available online at www.pcj.edu/give to assist you in discerning a permanent endowment at the Josephinum.

Creating Your Named Current-Use Fund at the Josephinum

Current-Use funds serve the same purpose as endowed funds but are not set up on a permanent basis. Rather they are funded annually and on a recurring basis with cash gifts that provide funding to a specific area of need at the Josephinum. Current-Use funds exist as long as the donor provides the cash funding annually. All Current-Use Funds require the drafting of awards criteria and the scope/purpose of the fund, which is executed with a signed gift agreement between the donor and the Josephinum rector/president or designee. Examples of current use funds will help the Josephinum with a wide range of needs: annual operations; beautification and upkeep for our buildings and grounds; sacred fixtures and furnishings for our 4 chapels; scholarships/financial aid for seminarians; faculty development; and library resources.

Levels of Current-Use Support

- Current-Use Named Faculty Chair = \$75,000 cash gift annually
- Current-Use Named Faculty Professorship = \$30,000 cash gift annually
- Current-Use Named Full Scholarship = \$40,000 cash gift annually
- Current-Use Named Partial Scholarship = \$5,000 to \$10,000 cash gift annually
- Current-Use Named Unrestricted Fund = \$5,000 cash gift annually

Josephinum Endowment Q&A

Q: How do we decide the name of an endowment?

A: That is a decision made by you as the donor(s). Endowments can be named for yourself, your family, a mentor, a beloved pastor or professor, your company – so that is your decision to make.

Q: What other instruments are required?

A: The Josephinum requires all endowments to have an agreement that spells out the criteria and purpose of the fund. The agreement also outlines our seminary's endowment management policies and fund-distribution procedures.

Q: Should we speak to legal counsel regarding our endowment agreement?

A: Many donors do ask for input from attorneys and estate planning professionals, however the Josephinum uses easy-to understand language widely adaptable on most endowment agreements. Our treasurer's office will work with you to establish the parameters of the endowment, and make ourselves available to offer counsel as we partner with you in building this fund.

Q: Can I create an endowment fund with a gift through my estate plan?

A: Yes, those are known as *Testamentary Endowments* and are popular estate-planning instruments among alumni, parents and friends of the Josephinum. It's very important to be cognizant of the Josephinum's endowment funding levels which may increase/rise over the lifetime of the donor.

Q: A member of my family has an endowment at the Josephinum. Can I contribute to that?

A: Yes, absolutely. Gifts are added in regularity to many of our existing endowments. If there is an honoree whom you wish to notify about your gift, our Advancement staff will send a gift notification. In the case of a memorial event, we will send a gift notification to the next of kin.

Q: How does the Josephinum determine annual distributions from the fund? Are there any administrative assessments against endowments?

A: The specifics of your endowment agreement with the Josephinum will determine the annual allocation of the cash award. Those terms are spelled out between you the donor and the Josephinum. There are management expenses associated with all endowments so the Josephinum will assess charges and costs against the ongoing earnings of the fund.

Naming the Josephinum in Your Last Will & Testament

There are many ways to plan your gift to the Pontifical College Josephinum, all of which honor your personal needs while also supporting the mission of the seminary. A gift from your estate aligns with the prayerful vision of our founder, Monsignor Joseph Jessing, whose tireless efforts to cultivate financial support for his beloved Josephinum fulfilled his vow to provide for all qualified applicants regardless of their financial means. We are proud to continue that tradition.

Leaving the Josephinum a Bequest in Your Will or Trust

Naming the Josephinum as a beneficiary in your Last Will & Testament is one of the greatest honors you can bestow on this institution. Whether you are an alumnus, parent(s) of an alumnus, a volunteer, a Friend of the Josephinum, or an ambassador – remembering the Josephinum in your will helps to further Monsignor Jessing’s vision for a pontifical seminary that is fully-equipped to prepare the next generation of men for the priesthood.

A gift from your estate helps the Josephinum in its planning for the future and also ensures that your gift is properly designated when it is received.

Bequests from your estate may be specified in dollar (USD) amounts, a percentage, a part, or 100% of your estate after settlement of any obligations. Such bequests are deductible for estate and gift tax purposes, so please consult with a tax advisor. The following is a brief wording of how the Josephinum may be included in your will for the first time or in a codicil to your existing will:

“I, (your full legal name), of (City, State, and ZIP), give, devise, and bequeath the sum of (specific dollar amount, percentage of the estate, or description of property) to the Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 North High Street, Columbus, OH, 43235 Federal Tax I.D. is 31-4379535, to be used for unrestricted financial support to prepare men for the ordained priesthood (or specify a desired purpose).”

To leave a gift to the Josephinum in your will, please fill out our Bequest Notification Form available via downloadable PDF at: www.pcj.edu/plannedgiving

All completed/signed forms should be sent to us via US mail to:

Pontifical College Josephinum
7625 North High Street
Columbus, OH, 43235

Other Ways to Give in a Bequest

- Cash
- Certificates of Deposit (CDs) and U.S. Savings Bonds
- Appreciated stock/securities
- Appreciated mutual fund shares
- Appreciated bonds
- Retirement plan assets (IRA; 401(k) & 403(b))
- Life insurance policies
- Appreciated real estate such as house, land, and buildings
- Personal property such as artwork

Beneficiary Designation Forms (TOD or POD)

Many people feel that if they have a will or trust they are finished with their estate planning and the important work of distributing their earthly assets. However, many assets are not covered by a will or trust.

- Retirement assets, i.e., your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or 401(k) plan/403(b) plan can be transferred at death. NB: the donor must fill out a beneficiary designation form with the plan's administrator. A financial planner can advise the donor on the tax consequences with retirement plan assets.
- Bequeathing retirement assets is an excellent way to support the Josephinum as the assets pass tax-free.
- Insurance policies, financial accounts like bank or brokerage accounts, Certificates of Deposit (CDs) and US Savings Bonds are other assets that must be designated specifically in the estate plan.

As the owner of these assets, the donor must complete the proper beneficiary designation forms – either Transfer-on-Death (TOD) or Pay-on-Death (POD) forms. Be sure to keep your beneficiary designations on these assets up to date to reflect where you wish your gift to go upon your death. The Josephinum is honored you would consider sharing your retirement plan assets, insurance policies and financial accounts as an eternal steward of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy.

The Jessing Society

Once your plan has been received and documented with our Advancement Office, the Josephinum will invite you to a lifetime membership in The Jessing Society. Members are welcomed to an annual Mass and gathering with our administration, faculty, and seminarians, and are provided with timely updates on the seminary. If you have already included the Josephinum in your estate plans but are not yet a member of The Jessing Society, please contact our Vice President for Advancement, Mr. Douglas Stein at dstein@pcj.edu or by phone (614) 985-2325.

Jessing Society Ambassadors

Since its founding in 1888, the Josephinum has benefited from the expert advice of attorneys and

financial advisors who assist their clients with giving options and tax-wise estate planning. If you do not have a will or estate plan and would like financial advice on leaving your legacy at the Josephinum, please contact one of our Jessing Society Ambassadors listed below. All fees for professional services rendered by these professionals apply.

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Monsignor Joseph Jessing

The Josephinum Story

The Josephinum owes its existence to men who have said “Yes” to their calling to the priesthood.

Our story for nearly 2,000 priests who were formed at the Josephinum begins with the vision of a determined and inspirational German immigrant named John Joseph Jessing (1836-1899), who was born in the city of Muenster, in Westphalia, Germany, on November 17, 1836. Jessing’s father died when he was only four years old, plunging the family into poverty. Those difficult years would form young Jessing into a champion of the poor and orphaned when his own vocation to the priesthood culminated 28 years later.

At age 14, Jessing left school and started working as a lithographer to support his mother and younger brother. He later joined the Prussian army, distinguishing himself as an artillery sergeant and earning five medals for bravery. But Jessing yearned for something greater and while he was starting to set his sights on a vocation, he accepted a position as a secretary of a Tyrolese aristocrat and lived for three years in a castle in Rotholz in what is modern-day Austria. It was here that Jessing took dozens of pilgrimages to shrines, abbeys, and feast day celebrations in some of the most beautiful vistas on the planet. He was introduced to Father Eugene Schraz who fostered in him a vocation to the priesthood and tutoring in Latin, German, history, and rudiments of theology. It was in this region of the country that Jessing was introduced to German shorthand and he became a master teacher of Gabelsberger.

When his mother died in 1867, Jessing left Westphalia and sailed for America, with the intention of becoming a priest and of serving the Church in the United States. In Germany, Jessing’s age and lack of formal education prevented him from studying for the priesthood; in America, he would be free to pursue to that vocation but it was up to him to establish advocates who would help him gain admittance to a seminary.

Jessing’s passage to America brought with it many weeks of sea sickness and a serious intestinal infection. Soon after arriving in Baltimore, Maryland, he set out for Cincinnati, Ohio, where there was a strong German-speaking community. With the assistance of a family friend in Terre Haute, Indiana, Jessing was recommended to the pastor of St. Joseph Church in Hamilton, Ohio, where he spent the next year establishing his credentials as a Catholic school teacher. He became the founding principal of St. Joseph School where he was in charge of 200 students. After a year of teaching school and orchestrating the building of a new school building, Jessing entered Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary in Cincinnati, and after three years of study, was ordained to the priesthood on July 16, 1870 by the first bishop of Columbus, Sylvester H. Rosecrans. Father Jessing was made pastor of Sacred Heart Church,

a German immigrant parish in Pomeroy, Ohio, a small mining town on the Ohio River.

It was in Pomeroy that Father Jessing found a number of orphaned boys in his parish who had no one to care for them. Realizing that an orphanage was needed and, undaunted by lack of funds, Father Jessing found a way to raise the money necessary to build an orphanage. Relying on his fellow German immigrants for support, he began a German-language newspaper, named *The Ohio*, in 1873; Father Jessing was the sole journalist and publisher. Circulation increased rapidly, and the name soon changed to *Ohio Waisenfreund* (Ohio Orphan's Friend). He used the newspaper as a fund-raising organ but also to provide much needed religious instruction for his German-speaking readers. Jessing's paper met with great success and soon became one of the most widely read German language publications in the United States.

After careful coordination with the Bishop Rosecrans, Saint Joseph Orphanage was built and dedicated in May 1875. Just two years later, in 1877, with the bishop's blessing, Father Jessing moved Saint Joseph's to Columbus, Ohio, to a campus on the eastern edge of downtown at 18th Street and Main Street, which was originally named "Friend Street." As the boys grew older, four of them expressed the desire to study for the priesthood. Father Jessing would see to it that their vocations were met and more. In the July 4, 1888, issue of *Ohio Waisenfreund*, he announced that he would educate two additional boys for the priesthood, if he could find suitable candidates. Twenty-three boys from 11 states responded and asked to be received. Not knowing how he would provide for so many, Father Jessing nevertheless accepted them all, and thus, on September 1, 1888, began the *Collegium Josephinum*, named in honor of his patron, Saint Joseph, thus forming the *House of Joseph*. Remembering the burdens and obstacles he encountered on his own journey to the priesthood, Father Jessing wanted to give boys who were without financial means a way to answer their calling.

Four years later, to ensure that his seminary would serve the whole nation, Father Jessing asked Pope Leo XIII, to accept the ownership of the seminary as a pontifical institution. On December 12, 1892 the request was granted and the Josephinum came directly under the authority of the Holy See and became the Pontifical College Josephinum. Two years later, on June 5, 1894, the College was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio; and on June 14, 1894, it was chartered as a degree-granting institution.

In recognition of Father Jessing's dedication to the Church, His Holiness Pope Leo XIII made him a Domestic Prelate with the title of Monsignor in 1896. In his late 50s, Monsignor Jessing's health began to decline. His physician, Dr. Starling Loving, diagnosed cancer of the stomach. After battling and rallying, the beloved

priest and founder of one of Columbus's most endearing institutions died on November 2, 1899, surrounded by his dear students. They remembered him as a champion of the poor, who was dedicated to higher education, and the one advocate they needed in life to pursue their calling to the priesthood and service to God. The legacy Monsignor left changed the landscape of vocations as the country expanded westward.

For the first few decades of its existence, the Josephinum focused its efforts on educating priests to minister to German-speaking Catholics throughout the United States. After World War I, that focus shifted to preparing priests for missionary areas of the country and for dioceses lacking their own seminaries.

With its enrollment burgeoning in the mid-1920s and a land-locked 4 acres which had been fully developed, the Josephinum faced relocation from its original site at 18th and Main. The Rector, Monsignor Joseph Och, was introduced to a farmer north of town named William D. Duffy who agreed to sell 120 acres of his farm located on the Scioto Trail (now U.S. Route 23) for an astonishingly generous price of \$1.00, plus the local property taxes at the time. On October 9, 1924 the seminary celebrated in a solemn dedication the future site of its new home on the banks of Olentangy River, 11 miles from downtown Columbus and just 2 miles north of Worthington. Nestled in 24 acres of woods and prime farmland, the Josephinum was eventually comprised of four main buildings devoted to educational and administrative purposes and two auxiliary buildings that contributed to the service of the college. The fundraising for the New Josephinum required five years of constant appeals through the *Waisenfreund* and *The Josephinum Weekly* that took place on a national and local level. The cornerstone for the new building was laid in October 1929, which coincided with the great Wall Street Crash and start of the Great Depression. But faith, hard work, and generosity prevailed, and the main building of the new complex was dedicated in 1931. On Thanksgiving Day 1931 the Josephinum dedicated the Minor Seminary, the Major Seminary, the Administrative wings, faculty living quarters, dining rooms, an auditorium, guest rooms, and Saint Turibius Chapel – named in honor of the first saint of the Americas. The south wing of the main building originally housed the major seminary (seminarians spent six years in theology and philosophy studies). In the north wing, the minor seminarians lived and studied during high school and the first two years of college. The landmark bell tower of the Josephinum, which rises 200 feet from bottom to top and can be seen for miles around, was completed in 1931 and was known as the highest point above sea level in Franklin County until 1974. That was the year the Rhodes State Office Tower was completed at 629 feet high.

In the 1950s, largely for reasons of accreditation, the organization of the seminary was changed from the

6-year/6-year arrangement (minor seminary/major seminary) to a 4-year/4-year/4-year (high school/college/theology) arrangement. A separate college building was erected for those middle four years; it was dedicated in June 1958. It stands to the west of the theology seminarians' residence and houses living quarters for college seminarians, the college chapel of Saint Pius X, and classrooms.

The recreation building was also dedicated in June 1958; it is to the north of the college building and features a variety of indoor recreation facilities as well as the *Monsignor Leonard J. Fick Auditorium*.

The building on the east side of campus near the front entrance of the seminary was built in 1938. This building served as the library of the Josephinum until 1982, when the facility became known as the *A.T. Wehrle Memorial Library*. At that time, it was relocated in the old minor seminary (north) wing, now known as the *Pope Saint John Paul II Center for Priestly Formation*. Today, along with the Wehrle Library, the building also houses faculty offices and classrooms for the School of Theology.

The old library building was renovated in 1997 and became the *Monsignor Joseph Jessing Center*, which houses two adjoining conference rooms served by state-of-the-art audio-visuals system, a small meeting room. The Jessing Center provides the Josephinum with meeting space for the seminary's academic and theological symposia, lectures, and small conferences. The facility is also open to the public and has a full-service catering kitchen.

An *Alma Mater's* legacy is carried forward by her alumni. Since its founding in 1888, more than 2000 priests have received their formation and education at the Pontifical College Josephinum. Ordained alumni are active today in 48 states in the United States and in 18 foreign countries. Similarly, our alumni who are members of the lay faithful are making profound contributions to the life of the Church through a commitment to family, distinguished work in their professions, and witness to service.

"It is the task of the priest to lead souls, and there is no more difficult calling. It requires patience, wisdom, prudence, love, and strength of character. At the altar, the priest obtains these virtues of our Lord, whom he daily takes in his hands and receives into his soul. At the altar the priest obtains all the graces of his state, as well as comfort and strength for the fulfillment of his duties. Oh the dignity! Oh the power! Oh the blissfulness of the priesthood!"

**—Monsignor Joseph Jessing, October 4, 1896
delivered in Saint Turibius Chapel at the
Old Josephinum**

Alma Mater of the Pontifical College Josephinum

Words by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Pinter,
Ordination Class of 1899

Melody by Rev. Leo F. Miller,
Ordination Class of 1911

Translated by Rev. Leo F. Stelten,
Ordination Class of 1950

(Latin)

Almam Matrem salutamus,
Josephinum, te amamus,
Ter augusta mœnia,
Te virtutis tam fautricem
 quam scientiæ nutricem
Dulcis amicitiae.

Joseph Jessing conditorem,
Sacerdotem bellatorem
 Fortem, pium, providum,
Prece, laude prosequamur;
Eius robor admiramur,
 Grata recordantia.

Heia, rector, professores,
Nostris amici monitores
 Indulgentes asperi
Floreant, qui vivunt cuncti,
Et potiti, qui defuncti,
Requiescant praemio.

Studiosi Sextae, Primae,
Classis principis et imae
 Quaeque intersunt mediae;
Vos, philosophi subtiles,
Vos, theologi viriles,
Matri vestrae plaudite.

Veterani iam spectati,
Rude dudum condonati,
 Josephini decora;
Strenui, negotiosi
Vinea in Domini operosi,
Alumnorum exercitus.

Josephinum, piam matrem,
Joseph Jessing, carum patrem,
Efferamus laudibus;
Alumnorum, magistrorum,
Agminis discipulorum
Corda, voces consonent.

Sacram indolis formandæ,
Sedem, mentis educandæ,
 Hanc palæstram nobilem
Caelique terræque Rector
Augeat, Joseph, Protector
Magnus noster, sospitet.



(English)

Our alma mater we now greet,
the Josephine them to us sweet.

Hallowed thrice within its walls,
Garden bright and virtues growing,
Classrooms dear with knowledge flowing,
While a lasting friendship calls.

Joseph Jessing, Founder famed,
Man of God, yet Soldier named
To defend his Church and Creeds.

For him prayerful praise we desire,
And his courage we much admire,
With happy thoughts of all his deeds.

All hail, good faculty and Rectors,
Friends to all and loyal directors,
Very kind but still demanding.
Those still living, may their lives expand,
May the others, with reward at hand,
Soon before their Lord be standing.

Boys from Sexta onto Prima passed,
The classes all from first to last,
Each one, yes, a friendly *frater*.
Wise students of Philosophy,
Those well-learned in Theology,
Praise ye all our *Alma Mater*.

Veterans there are among the fold,
Already sent forth in days of old,
Fine examples of men well-trained.
Priests of vigor working on the line,
Faithful branches joined to the Vine,
That great throng of those ordained.

Josephinum, *Alma Mater*,
Joseph Jessing caring *Pater*.

Let us honor you with praise.
From the alumni and our masters,
From the ranks of soon-to-be pastors,
Let our hearts and voices raise.

May both Ruler of land and sky,
And great Joseph, our friend on high,
Cause to grow and keep renowned
This formation seat of ministry,
This font of Spirituality,
God's most notable training ground.



Monsignor Joseph Jessing with students, c. 1893.



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