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2014-2015 Annual Report*

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Cover: Kenrick's three new administrators, Fr. Mark Kramer, S.J., Fr. James Mason, and Fr. Paul Hoelsing, stand in the newly renovated Chapel of St. Joseph.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT-RECTOR

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to write to you as the President-Rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. I began this role in July after having served as Dean of Seminarians and Director of Spiritual Formation at the seminary last year. While I loved serving as a parish priest in the Diocese of Sioux Falls for many years, I feel called by God to help form holy, healthy, and joyful priests.



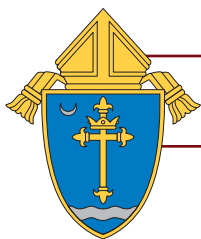
The seminarians have heard a common mantra from me: *"What does this look like in the parish?"* This simple and obvious question is the heart of our mission. We are more than a graduate school of theology. We are a seminary. This means forming a man humanly, spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally for life and ministry in the parish because that is the point of encounter for the priest with his people.

One representation of our mission is the Chapel of St. Joseph. Directly above the altar inside the baldacchino, the following words are written: *"Imitare quod tractabis et vitam tuam mysterio dominicae crucis conforma."* Taken from the Rite of Ordination of a Priest, this translates to *"Imitate what you celebrate and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's cross."*

These words serve as a reminder of our main purpose at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary: to configure each seminarian to the heart of Jesus Christ. Each seminarian and priest is reminded of this whenever he looks towards the altar; he will only receive the power to imitate and conform himself to Christ through the power of his Holy Eucharist. We have to be priests of hope. There are constantly things that move us to despair. We need to be a light to remind people that no matter how dark it seems, Jesus has won the final victory.

In Christ,

Father James Mason, J.D.
President-Rector



FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In September, Pope Francis visited the United States for the World Meeting of Families and canonized St. Junipero Serra. Serra is the first Hispanic-American saint and the namesake of Serra International – a global lay apostolate which fosters and affirms vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Young men and women need to be encouraged to consider God's call in their own lives, and I am especially grateful to those families and members of the Serra Club who have helped our seminarians to do so.

This year, 113 young men are discerning God's call as seminarians at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. During their years of seminary formation and education, the seminarians will be guided by a distinguished community of faculty, staff, and administrators, including new President-Rector Fr. James Mason. Fr. Mason inherits a rich tradition of integrated human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation which has been enhanced this year by the additions of Fr. Paul Hoelsing as Dean of Seminarians and Fr. Mark Kramer, S.J. as Director of Spiritual Formation.

The seminary community will be guided by the new 2015-2020 Strategic Plan which was approved by the Board of Trustees in April. As you read the overview of the Strategic Plan in this issue of *The Herald*, I trust that you will be filled with hope. Our seminary is committed to building upon past success while strengthening its mission to form holy, healthy, and joyful priests.

As bishops from around the world meet at the Synod on the Family in Rome, please join me in praying for families, for our seminarians, and for all those discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. May young men and women be encouraged to respond generously to God's call. And may our families and the whole Church help to create a "culture of vocations." *St. Junipero Serra, Pray for us!*

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis



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Archbishop Robert J. Carlson

CONFIGURING MEN to the Heart of Jesus Christ: STRATEGIC PLAN 2015-2020

Kerrick-Glennon Seminary is pleased to present our new five-year strategic plan, entitled *Configuring Men to the Heart of Jesus Christ: Strategic Plan 2015-2020*. The plan builds on the considerable success that the seminary has experienced over our long history and, at the same time, emphasizes directions and priorities that will enhance our distinctive excellence in seminary formation as we walk forward into a future full of hope.

To assure good stewardship of the recently renovated campus facilities and the programs of formation it makes possible, the Board of Trustees recommended a comprehensive strategic planning process to help guide the seminary community into the future.

In order for the plan to best reflect the vision of the community and the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church, the seminary invited seminarians, faculty, staff, Archdiocesan leadership, and community members to participate in the process. A diverse steering committee was recruited to facilitate the process and lead six subcommittees to give voice to these important constituencies: Priests and Alumni, Seminarians, Formators, Budget and Finance, Mission Advancement, and Community Engagement.

The steering committee met formally from August 2014 to January 2015 to review input from various constituencies, analyze results from a comprehensive study of strengths, weaknesses, assets and threats, define and affirm the seminary's vision, values and mission, develop strategic priorities and objectives, and define a plan for measuring the successful implementation of the plan. The resulting plan was approved by the Board of Trustees and the Archbishop of St. Louis in April 2015. The core planning team will meet to review progress and to make any necessary adjustments to the plan. These annual reviews will be reported to the community.



PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

PRIORITY 1: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to forming future priests who have a missionary pastoral heart and express it in joyful and sacrificial service.

PRIORITY 1A: Human Formation

- Foster detachment from the things of the world to promote freedom in Christ
- Promote growth in human virtue and maturity
- Assist the development of interpersonal and relational virtues and skills to form listening hearts that exercise empathy and communicate with charity and persuasion
- Ensure that the evaluation process reflects human growth in virtue
- Equip formation advisors with the tools they need to strengthen their role in the formation and evaluation process

PRIORITY 1B: Spiritual Formation

- Sustain and strengthen the beauty of liturgical life with a special focus on the centrality of a daily encounter with the risen presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist
- Ensure that spirituality continues to be the integrating principle of all formation at Kenrick-Glennon (PPF 115), by focusing on growth in intimacy with the Trinity
- Draw on the richness of the Church's spiritual traditions in service of a deepening growth in the unique identity and spirituality of the diocesan priest
- Equip seminarians to become spiritual fathers who can lead the parish to be a center of prayer and discernment for the new evangelization
- Provide spiritual directors with ongoing formation in the art of contemplative spiritual direction

PRIORITY 1C: Intellectual Formation

- Foster seminarians' deeper encounter with Christ, by way of contemplative pedagogy (teaching that is rooted in and leads to relationship with Christ)
- Mentor and prepare seminarians to preach and teach the Kerygma (proclamation of the Pascal Mystery) as the foundation of all formation in the parish

- Promote the pursuit of Wisdom, as the contemplation of Divine Mysteries and the order of creation
- Ensure that the faculty make the pastoral application of the seminary's mission central to their teaching
- Help seminarians address the spiritual and moral needs of the people with an attractive presentation of the beauty of the Gospel
- Advance the liberal arts program as an excellent preparation for philosophical and theological studies

PRIORITY 1D: Pastoral Formation

- Ensure that seminarians have pastoral experiences that expose them to the everyday life of the parish, under the mentorship of a pastor
- Advance the preparation of seminarians to be preachers of the Word and celebrants of the sacraments who can draw the faithful into an encounter with Jesus Christ in their everyday life
- Strengthen seminarians in applying theology to parish life
- Equip pastors who supervise the pastoral formation of seminarians with resources in mentoring
- Prepare men who can lead in collaboration with other priests, deacons, and lay leaders
- Advance the preparation of seminarians to be interculturally competent ministers who can serve the growing diverse U.S. Catholic Church
- Expand seminarians' awareness of Catholic "Social Teaching" on emerging issues and prepare them to minister to marginalized populations





PRIORITY 2: Enhance meaningful partnerships between the seminary and the Catholic community by educating and informing them about the mission of the seminary, the beauty of the priesthood, and the process of formation.

- Foster awareness of the seminary as a treasure of the Archdiocese, the sending dioceses, and the wider Church
- Increase opportunities to invite the community to participate in the life of the seminary
- Foster opportunities for the seminary to listen to bishops and the wider Catholic community concerning characteristics they hope to see in the priests they receive
- Promote recruitment of seminarians by building on personal relationships with bishops and vocation directors

PRIORITY 3: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to collaborative relationships with members of the Board of Trustees so that they may be informed ambassadors engaged in advancing the mission of the seminary.

- Enhance the orientation process for new board members to create greater integration and engagement
- Increase opportunities for Board of Trustee members to engage actively in the life of the seminary, enhancing their capacity to act as ambassadors for the seminary's mission

- Advance opportunities for the Board of Trustee members to promote actively the mission of the seminary in the broader community

PRIORITY 4: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is dedicated to growth and stewardship of finances and other resources for the advancement of the mission.

- Strengthen the commitment to best practices in stewardship of finances, facilities, and our infrastructure
- Analyze current mission advancement practices and develop a plan to increase significantly the seminary's base of active donors
- Identify additional methods of revenue generation

PRIORITY 5: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to operational and financial transparency and a culture of integrity with respect to all constituencies.

- Continue to prioritize financial transparency
- Sustain and strengthen communication with archdiocesan priests, alumni, and sending bishops
- Enhance operational transparency within the seminary community

You are encouraged to read our 2015-2020 Strategic Plan online at
kenrick.edu/strategicplan.

The document contains a comprehensive overview of
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary's team of contributors as well as
our mission, vision, values, priorities, and objectives.

PRIORITY 6: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to a culture of excellence through shared governance with fidelity to its mission.

- Enhance consultation and participation in planning and decision-making processes in relationship of mutual trust
- Advance the understanding and practice of the principle of subsidiarity within the seminary community

PRIORITY 7: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to developing programs to train formators for parish life and seminary formation.

- Establish Kenrick-Glennon Seminary as a center of excellence in training seminary personnel and parish priests in the integration of spiritual formation across all formation
- Attract and retain highly qualified administrators, faculty, and staff for current and future programs at the seminary
- Actively promote and provide training opportunities for administrators, faculty, and staff to enhance their competence in intercultural skills
- Enhance sharing the gifts of seminary personnel with the larger archdiocesan and civic community

PRIORITY 8: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is committed to establishing ongoing programs of comprehensive assessment to assure implementation of best practices in every aspect of seminary programs and operations.

- Increase participation in assessment practices
- Strengthen the incorporation of identified best practices in assessment
- Actively incorporate assessment findings in ongoing development of programs and operations





AN INTERVIEW WITH THE New President-Rector



By Andrew Hoffman, Theology III - Wichita

From a Philadelphia birth to the President-Rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis, Fr. James Mason's life has been constantly guided by the gentle hand of God.

After graduating from law school and working as a prosecutor and criminal defense attorney, Fr. Mason felt called to the priesthood and entered the seminary. He was ordained a priest in 2001 for the Diocese of Sioux Falls, SD. He joined the seminary staff in 2014 as the Dean of Seminarians and Director of Spiritual Formation and transitioned into his role as President-Rector in July 2015.

COULD YOU TALK A LITTLE ABOUT YOUR VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT?

Priesthood was not on the radar as I was growing up. After college, I went on a mission to El Paso and Juarez that really opened my heart to the possibility of being called. As I went into the workplace, I thought that being a prosecutor would fulfill me. It was good work but it was never enough. Then I thought my responsibilities working with Catholic Charities and the diocese would be enough, but they weren't. I was constantly praying, "Thy will be done," but I was running from it. I couldn't eat or sleep. I needed to enter, but I did so somewhat reluctantly. When I finally entered, it was basically out of exhaustion!



Fr. Mason shares a laugh with two year-old Maria Chronister. Her father, Andrew Chronister, teaches Greek at the seminary.

Early in my seminary career, I had this image in prayer of a sword battle, like *Braveheart*. I was enjoying the fight but got so tired that I finally dropped the sword. I felt joy as I realized that I had been fighting God. The peace and joy of accepting the call overwhelmed me. Now I couldn't think of not being a priest. It's who I am!

WHO HAS BEEN ONE OF YOUR GREAT INFLUENCES AS A PRIEST AND NOW AS THE PRESIDENT-RECTOR?

Archbishop Carlson has been a mentor for my priesthood, and for my family as well. I rented his basement from him during law school and took care of the yard, snow, and dogs when he traveled. My parents saw the joy of the priesthood in him and that was essential to give them the freedom to see that their son could be joy-filled and happy. I'm always asking him pastoral questions. He has a great pastor's heart in working with people.

WHAT DID YOU DO THIS SUMMER?

In June, I was able to spend some time with my family. I also began to understand the new job. I started meeting one-on-one with the entire faculty. I prepared a few talks I will be giving at conferences in the coming months, including the presentation I gave to the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors in September. I spent time in prayer and in putting together the Human Formation Conferences for this school year. I also directed a 30 day retreat at the Broom Tree Retreat Center in South Dakota in July.

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE MEMORY FROM YEAR 1 AT KENRICK?

In an evaluation in the spring, one of the men was asked the question, "Who is a father figure in your life?", and the man responded, "Fr. Mason." That isn't to toot my own horn, but it is something that we priests receive a lot in the parish, so it was a blessing to receive it again at the seminary.

WHAT ARE YOUR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES AS PRESIDENT-RECTOR?

You can say it pretty simply as "Running the show."

Administration is an aspect of that, but my primary responsibility is to help form healthy, holy, joy-filled parish priests. That is the simple message! I think we have done a very good job in the area



Top Left: While a seminarian at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, then-Deacon James Mason assisted Saint (then Pope) John Paul II during a Mass in St. Peter's Square.

Bottom Left: Fr. Mason with his parents after his Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate in 2001.

Top Right: Fr. Mason encouraged the Kenrick Lions basketball team during Mundelein Seminary's Annual Fr. Patrick O'Malley Basketball Tournament last January.

Bottom Right: Fr. Mason proceeds out of the Chapel of St. Joseph following his official installation as the President-Rector during the Mass of the Holy Spirit in September.

of orthodox academic formation, and have made great strides in spiritual formation. It is my goal to help develop the dimension of human formation.

We want to nurture priests who understand and enjoy people. A priest is a bridge who brings people to Jesus; human formation helps to develop that concept. We need men who are not afraid to go out and evangelize. The default position for every diocesan priest is in a parish; that is the end goal. This is not a theology graduate school. This is a seminary. Men are formed to serve in a parish.

WHAT LESSONS DID YOU LEARN LAST YEAR THAT WILL AID THIS YEAR?

The most beneficial thing in my role as Dean of Seminarians was to develop relationships with the men. Becoming a healthy, holy, joy-filled priest takes work, so it is essential that men trust their formators. Any time we are formed, we have to look at the rough edges; if the man knows that our goal is the same, and it is for the good of the Church, others, and the man, that is going to help tremendously.

HOW WILL YOUR EXPERIENCE AS A PASTOR INFLUENCE YOUR TIME AS RECTOR?

My time as a parish priest is going to define everything I do. My mantra is "What is this going to look like in a parish?" It is not just textbooks, but it is real. We are not in a bubble or cocoon. The weekend parish assignments are one of the great strengths of Kenrick which allow the men to make connections between the seminary and parish life.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST ABOUT THE COMING YEAR?

There is a great joy in seeing men that you helped form be ordained priests of Jesus Christ. This is one of the highest callings in the Church, and one of the few things that could pull me out of the parish. I did love the parish, but this is the work of forming future priests and the idea of spiritual multiplication.

FR. MASON'S CREDENTIALS

- Earned a law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1993.
- Worked as a prosecutor in Minneapolis and Director of Catholic Charities, legal counsel, and lobbyist for the Diocese of Sioux Falls before entering the seminary.
- Pontifical North American College in Rome and earned a Bachelor of Sacred Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum).
- Ordained to the Sacred Priesthood in 2001.
- Pastor of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Garretson from 2001-2004 and Pastor of St. Lambert Parish in Sioux Falls from 2008-2014.
- Director of Vocations, Vice-Chancellor, Medical Moral Advisor, and Director of Broom Tree Retreat Center for the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls.
- Certificate in Spiritual Direction & Retreat Ministry from the Institute of Priestly Formation (IPF) and taught a course on the *Spirituality of the Diocesan Priesthood* at IPF's summer program.

Fr. Paul Hoelsing ❖ *Dean of Seminarians*

By Scott Schilmoeller, Theology III – Omaha

This August, Fr. Paul Hoelsing began his role as Dean of Seminarians and Director of Human Formation at Kenrick. Previously, he was the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Omaha and served as President of the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors.

For the past five years, I have been blessed to have Fr. Hoelsing as my vocation director. As he has walked with me in my vocational development and as I have gotten to know him on a personal level, I have noticed five key traits about his character:

First, he knows the love of Christ and responds to it. This is seen in his reverent celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, his personal life of prayer, and his interactions with seminarians and parishioners.

Because he knows the love of Christ, Fr. Hoelsing knows his own identity. Being a priest rooted in continual



prayer and intimacy with the Lord, he exudes the person of Christ, creating a ripple effect with those he encounters.

Because he strives to live in a continual relationship with Christ, he is an integrated man. He is a great model of balance; he knows how to celebrate the sacraments worthily and also knows how to enjoy life.

Because he is integrated, Fr. Hoelsing is approachable, inviting and warm. This is sorely needed in a world where the Catholic Church is seen from the outside as a cold, outdated, and judgmental institution.

Lastly, because Fr. Hoelsing knows the love of Christ and responds in an integrated manner, the love of Christ emulates through his priesthood. Fr. Hoelsing is a great witness to the Gospel and I pray that his influence at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary will inspire heroic witnesses to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Fr. Mark Kramer, S.J. ❖ *Director of Spiritual Formation*

By Patrick Russell, Pastoral Internship – St. Louis

St. Louis native Fr. Mark Kramer, S.J. is excited to return home after serving for the past 21 years in the Society of Jesus. This homecoming is not a vacation; as the new Director of Spiritual Formation, Fr. Kramer will ensure that seminarians are responding to the call to discipleship and the conversion of heart to Jesus Christ.

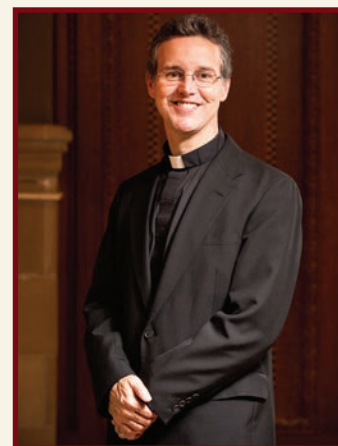
After serving in a variety of roles and cities, from teaching at Rockhurst High School in Kansas City, MO to serving in parish ministry in Punta Gorda, Belize, Fr. Kramer is looking forward to adding a new role to his list. As the person who oversees the spiritual formation program, he will have a vast number of responsibilities: coordinating spiritual directors for all the seminarians, being a full-time spiritual director himself, managing the Days of Recollection, and organizing the annual silent retreat held in January.

Fr. Kramer recognizes the great task with which he has been charged as Director of Spiritual Formation. “The spiritual life of the priest is his core, so the spiritual life is to be at the center of

seminary formation, to be the heart of it. It is the center from which all the other aspects are integrated.”

He identified the goal of the Spiritual Formation program as helping people cultivate their relationship with the Lord, growing an intimate and unceasing union with the Trinity, and to develop a learning and listening heart, the heart of a disciple.

As Kenrick begins to adhere to the five year strategic plan to strengthen our mission, Fr. Kramer’s leadership in the spiritual formation program will be key in the development of our future priests. We are blessed to have his guidance and welcome him to the seminary.



ELEVATING THE LITURGY

through Sacred Music

By Jeff Wisniewski, Director of Sacred Music

“The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy.”¹ With this instruction, the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* makes a case for the importance and necessity of sacred music. Specifically in regard to the pipe organ, it says, “In the Latin Church the pipe organ is to be held in high esteem, for it is the traditional musical instrument which adds a wonderful splendor to the Church’s ceremonies and powerfully lifts up man’s mind to God and to higher things.”²

For the first thousand years of the Church’s history, the only music used for worship was unaccompanied chant. Then, in the Middle Ages, the organ slowly came to be used as a means of ornamenting the liturgical actions. It can be employed in a variety of ways, from accompanying processions, alternating with the liturgical chants, as a solo instrument, or for supporting the singing of a single voice, the choir or the entire congregation. No other musical instrument can support congregational singing more effectively than the pipe organ.

1600-1750 is considered the “golden age” of organ building. Larger and more refined instruments were being built and serious composers such as J. S. Bach were writing literature specifically for the solo organ. The organ is called the “king of all instruments” because it is capable of producing such a vast array of sonorities, more than any other single musical instrument. A sole musician seated at the console, through



Kenrick seminarians sing liturgical hymns during the candidacy Mass in January.

multiple keyboards, a pedal board, draw knobs, couplers, and other controls, is able to breathe life into hundreds or even thousands of wind-blown pipes. In the words of Pope Benedict XVI, “The manifold possibilities of the organ in some way reminds us of the immensity and the magnificence of God.”³

Kenrick is truly blessed to have this new organ to support and enhance the purpose of sacred music which is, “the glory of God and the sanctification of the faithful.”⁴

¹ *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 1963, §112.

² *Ibid*, §120.

³ Blessing of the New Organ: Greeting of the Holy Father. Regensburg’s Alte Kapelle, Wednesday, 13 September 2006.

⁴ *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 1963, §112.

ORGAN CONCERT

TO CELEBRATE THE NEW PIPE ORGAN in the Chapel of St. Joseph, we will be hosting a debut concert at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015. The concert will be free and open to the public. Dr. Horst Buchholz, Director of Music and organist for the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, will be the featured organist. In addition to solo literature for the organ, the program will also feature vocal solos, the choir, and congregational singing.

The new pipe organ was built from over 2,000 pieces that traveled across the country from A.E. Schlueter Pipe Organ Company in Georgia. Crews worked around the clock to assemble the organ which contains 39 ranks and 2,156 pipes along with four divisions: Great, Swell, Choir, and Pedal.

For further information about the concert, visit our website at kenrick.edu.

A Tribute to Cardinal Baum

HIS EMINENCE William Cardinal Baum, Class of 1951, passed away on July 23, 2015 at the age of 88. Born in Dallas in 1926, he moved with his family to Kansas City where he became inspired to be a priest at a young age after seeing the strong faith of his family and the example set by his parish priest.

After graduating from Kenrick in 1951, he became a priest in his home diocese of Kansas City. In 1973, he was appointed the Archbishop of Washington, D.C. and by 1976, was elevated to Cardinal-Priest. In 1979, Cardinal Baum hosted St. John Paul II on his first pastoral visit to the U.S. and joined him for a Mass for 175,000 people at the National Mall. Cardinal Baum participated in the 1978 and 2005 conclaves, choosing three popes. At the time of his passing, Cardinal Baum held the longest tenure for a cardinal in U.S. Church history at 39 years.

Alumni Day 2015

By George Staley, Theology II – St. Louis

Kenrick Alumni Day was held on October 7, 2015.

The celebration began with vespers, including a homily from Fr. Anthony Dattilo, Class of 1990 – St. Louis. Alumni then honored members of the Classes of 1990, 1965, and 1955 as silver, golden, and diamond jubilarians during a formal banquet. Fr. Richard Tillman, Class of 1965 – St. Louis, shared remarks on behalf of the golden jubilarians.

From the perspective of a current seminarian, Alumni Day was an exciting time to witness the joy of priestly fraternity and to meet and converse with many wise priest-mentors. I treasure seeing the infectious excitement of priests who were simply happy to reconnect after some time of separation. Such experiences foster hope among current seminarians and encourage perseverance in formation!

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS: Bishop John Gaydos

By Paul Clark, Theology III – Jefferson City

Bishop John Gaydos, Class of 1968 – Jefferson City, received the 2015 Distinguished Alumni Award during the Alumni Day celebration. Since his appointment as Bishop of Jefferson City in 1997, Bishop Gaydos has served a diocese which stretches throughout central Missouri. This gives a new perspective to his motto, “with a shepherd’s care,” as his flock can easily roam. One only need to converse with him to recognize the joy he finds in being a shepherd. He is committed to instilling that same desire in seminarians, as is witnessed by all he sends to Kenrick.

A dedicated member of the Board of Trustees and a faithful alumnus of the seminary, Bishop Gaydos is known at his alma mater not simply due to his booming voice, but because of his desire that all priests might serve with a shepherd’s care.



In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of our priest-alumni and former administrators who have passed away in recent months:

His Eminence William Cardinal Baum, Class of 1951 – Kansas City
Fr. Thomas M. Begley, Class of 1985 – St. Louis
Fr. Theodore H. Burghoff, Class of 1955 – St. Louis
Fr. John J. Colgan, Class of 1948 – St. Petersburg
Fr. John G. Dempsey, Class of 1964 – St. Louis
Fr. Herbert C. Hauck, Class of 1964 – St. Louis
Fr. Kurt F. Kassebeer, Class of 1982 – Belize City – Belmopan
Fr. Dennis D. Kollross, Class of 1981 – Springfield
Msgr. Joseph D. Pins, Class of 1970 – St. Louis
Fr. Nicholas Ruba, Class of 1951 – Sioux City
Fr. Raymond J. Ruppenkamp, Class of 1950 – Davenport

ORDINATION *News*

Please join the Kenrick-Glennon Seminary community in congratulating and praying for our 16 new alumni who were ordained to the Sacred Priesthood and the eight seminarians ordained to the Transitional Diaconate.



Top Left: Deacon Gabriel Greer, Theology IV – Wichita, was ordained a deacon by Bishop Carl Kemme, Class of 1986 and Bishop of Wichita.

Bottom Left: Archbishop Joseph Naumann, Class of 1975 and Archbishop of Kansas City, ordained Fr. Matthew Nagle to the priesthood at St. Michael the Archangel in Leawood, KS.

Top Right: Fr. Cesar Anicama was vested by Fr. Jose Sanchez, the pastor from his home parish in Pisco, Peru, during his priesthood ordination in the Diocese of Jefferson City.

Bottom Right: Six Kenrick alumni were ordained by Archbishop Carlson in the Archdiocese of St. Louis this spring.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

KANSAS CITY, KS • May 23, 2015
Fr. Jonathan Dizon
Fr. Matthew Nagle

ST. LOUIS • May 23, 2015
Fr. Peter Fonseca
Fr. Daniel Kavanagh
Fr. David Miloscia
Fr. Alexander Nord
Fr. Zachary Povis*
Fr. Edward Voltz

SALINA • May 30, 2015
Fr. Kyle Berens
Fr. Andrew Rockers

JEFFERSON CITY • June 27, 2015
Fr. Cesar Anicama
Fr. Simeon Etonu

SPRINGFIELD-CAPE GIRARDEAU • June 12, 2015
Fr. Joseph Kelly

OMAHA • June 6, 2015
Fr. Jeremy Hans

WICHITA • May 23, 2015
Fr. Curtis Hecker
Fr. Zachary Pinaire

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

JEFFERSON CITY • May 30, 2015
Deacon Joshua Duncan

OMAHA • May 29, 2015
Deacon Marcus Knecht
Deacon Patrick Nields
Deacon Eliot Schwer
Deacon Joseph Sund

BELLEVILLE • May 23, 2015
Deacon Brett Judkins

ST. LOUIS • May 2, 2015
Deacon Scott Scheiderer

WICHITA • May 22, 2015
Deacon Gabriel Greer

* Fr. Povis is a member of our extended community as a student at the Pontifical North American College in Rome.



Journey to Ars

Shortly after their ordinations, Kenrick alumni-priests Fathers Curtis Hecker – Wichita, Zach Pinaire – Wichita, and Daniel Kavanagh – St. Louis, traveled to France before beginning their parish assignments. During this pilgrimage, they consecrated their priesthood to Mary and visited Ars, Lisieux, Lourdes, and other religious sites.

Fr-Dan Kavanagh
May 26 •

Tomorrow I'll be heading off to France with two of my close friends who were also recently ordained this past weekend, **FrCurtis Hecker** and **FrZachary Pinaire**. We will be visiting Lisieux, Lourdes, Ars, and some other holy sites throughout France as a way to consecrate our priesthood to Mary. If you have any prayer intentions that you would like me to take with me please send me a private message and I'd be happy to pray for you while we're over there!

FrCurtis Hecker added 30 new photos
June 1 • Edited

The Cathedral in Chartres, France. The most beautiful church I have ever seen in my life. It is currently under restoration (hence the scaffolding). I pray that one day I can come back to see the finished product

FrCurtis Hecker added 21 new photos
June 7 • Edited

Ars, France at the Basilica of St. John Vianney. We were blessed to run into some friends, the RSM Sisters from the United States, who were able to celebrate mass with us in the old crypt using St. John Vianney's chalice!

Chapel Renovations

The Chapel of St. Joseph was built as part of the seminary building in 1931. Structurally, the chapel has remained unaltered, even to this day. It employs a Romanesque style, with its long nave and apsidal sanctuary, reminiscent of many of the churches of early Rome. In the late 1960s, the chapel sanctuary was altered to conform to the liturgical reform following the Second Vatican Council. In the late 1990s, the chapel underwent a minor renovation, primarily in the sanctuary.

Most recently, the chapel underwent a major renovation during the 2014-2015 academic year as part of an overall campus renovation made possible through the *Faith for the Future Campaign*. Mr. James McCrery of Washington, DC provided architectural design for the project and BSI Constructors oversaw the work locally. The renovation included a new altar and baldacchino, a new presider's chair and ambo, a new pipe organ, refurbished pews and kneelers, a resurfaced and decorated ceiling, new lighting, and fresh paint. The altar was solemnly consecrated by Archbishop Robert J. Carlson on May 3, 2015.

The chapel serves as the heart of the seminary. It is used daily for Sacred Worship, including Holy Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, Eucharistic Adoration, and devotions. It is fitting that the completion of the seminary renovation was marked by the renovation of its heart, the Chapel of St. Joseph.



The main altar of sacrifice is a new structure constructed of sedimentary stone to remind us that all of creation is part of praising God. The four columns on the sides of the altar invoke the image of a table and remind us that we are fed from the altar, the table of the Lord. The front of the altar contains a mosaic of the sacrificial lamb, a symbol of our Eucharistic Lord. Relics of four saints are contained within the altar: the martyrs St. Vincent of Saragossa and St. Benignus (both transferred from the chapel's original altar) and St. John Vianney and St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (gifts from Archbishop Carlson).



The large statues of Mary and Joseph have not been moved since the chapel's original construction. Mary is depicted as she appeared to St. Catherine Laboure, giving her the Miraculous Medal and holding the world in her hands. Statues of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests, and St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, co-patroness of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, can be found in the back of the chapel.



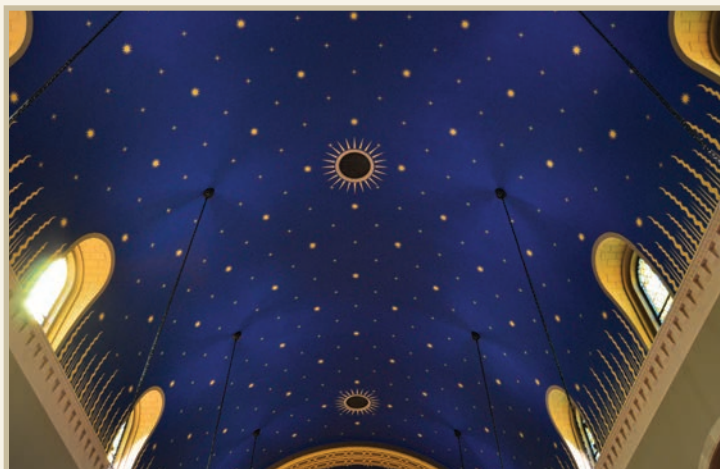
The inner ceiling of the ciborium contains the Athanasian formula depicting one God who is three distinct persons. This image was chosen because the temple is the place of God's dwelling and we encounter the living God during the Sacred Liturgy. The inner frieze contains a phrase from the Ordination Rite of a Priest: *Imitare quod tractabis et vitam tuam mysterio Dominicae crucis conforma* (Imitate what you celebrate and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's Cross). Placed here, the phrase reminds seminarians that they are called not merely to be observers of what happens on the altar, but called to live the Eucharistic mystery in their daily lives.



The new wooden baldachin, more appropriately called a "ciborium" in this design, is built of more than four tons of quarter-sawn white oak. The upper structure is meant to recall Revelation 11, where the temple of God is seen in heaven. The temple, the place of encounter with God, is built above the altar of sacrifice, where we encounter God in the Eucharist.



Artist Will St. John painted the *Death of Saint Joseph* which beautifully adorns the front of the ciborium. The image of Joseph's happy and peaceful death is incorporated here as a moment in which Jesus witnessed the glory of dying in God. Jesus, in his own death, imitates his earthly father Joseph. At the entrance to the chapel, this image, its inscription, and the Crucifix all fall in vertical alignment, linking these aspects together.



The ceiling, originally covered in white acoustic tile, has been resurfaced and decoratively painted to lift the mind and the heart to heaven. It recalls the creation of the heavenly bodies in Genesis and the signs in the sky in the Book of Revelation. The same gold color that is used in the ceiling's stars is found in the sanctuary apse. Thus, the light, symbolizing Christ himself, emanates from the chapel sanctuary and fills the chapel.



The presence of the Eucharist in the tabernacle is evidenced by veiling the tabernacle and by the lighting of the sanctuary lamp which hangs to the right of the ciborium. The sanctuary lamp was a gift from the seminarians and includes medallions of the members of the Holy Family.



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Faculty/Staff Additions

Fr. Paul Hoelsing – Dean of Seminarians

Fr. Michael Houser – Assistant Professor

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Fr. David Nerbun – Lecturer

Faculty/Staff Departures

Fr. James Knapp, S.J. – Spiritual Director and Assistant Professor

Fr. Jason Schumer – Director of Worship and Assistant Professor

Promotions in Rank

Fr. Donald Anstoetter – Director of Worship

Mr. Patrick Iver – Director of Information Technology

Fr. James Mason – President-Rector



Spotlight



The Board of Trustees has welcomed three new members: Fr. Michael Boehm, Class of 1994 – St. Louis and Vicar for Priests for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Mr. Robert Bouche, Chief Financial Officer for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, and Bishop Edward Rice, Class of 1986 and Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis.

The seminary hosted diocesan vocation directors from across the country for Mass, tours and a reception during the **National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors** in September.

The Archdiocese of St. Louis sponsored **Papa-Palooza** on the seminary campus in September to celebrate the Philadelphia World Meeting of Families and Papal Visit.

Our seminary community is looking forward to hosting the **23rd Annual Convivium Mass and Dinner Auction** on Saturday, November 7th. This event supports the education and formation of our seminarians and offers an opportunity for our generous community of supporters to meet these future priests. For further details, visit kenrick.edu/convivium.

The annual **Advent Novena** will take place in the Chapel of St. Joseph from December 1-9. Each evening of the Novena will include prayer, Scripture, a reflective homily, and hymns. Please visit kenrick.edu/novena for more information.

July 2014 - July 2015

ANNUAL REPORT

As we present our 2014-2015 Annual Report, we pause to give thanks to God for the many gifts He has shared with our seminarians, faculty, and staff at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. We extend our gratitude to those who continue to support our community through their prayers, time, talents, and contributions.

Mindful of our need to be effective stewards of your generosity, we present this annual report that details the impact of your generosity and thank you for your continued support. Please be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones.

A Year in Review

- Seminarians in the School of Theology participated in supervised **pastoral ministry** assignments at 51 parishes within the Archdiocese of St. Louis to help prepare them for their future responsibilities as pastoral leaders.
- Cardinal Glennon College seminarians participated in **apostolic ministry** assignments at nursing homes, parish after-school programs, soup kitchens, etc. These real-life ministry experiences are key components of the pastoral formation program.
- Fr. James Mason, President-Rector, established **Forming Men for Christ**, a men's group which meets once a month for Mass and a talk about Catholic faith and moral teachings (kenrick.edu/FormingMenforChrist).
- Dr. Thomas Madden presented the **19th Annual Peter Richard Kenrick Lecture** on Catholics and History: *Seeking Truth, Dispelling Myths, and Finding the Holy Spirit Across Centuries*.
- **CatholicTV** featured our seminarians praying the Rosary with Archbishop Robert J. Carlson in a video series which aired from May 11-15.
- Theologians participated in **human formation workshops** in January, including a Dale Carnegie "Skills for Success" class, a "Self-Leadership" program with the Catholic Leadership Institute, and "Evangelization Through Beauty" seminars with seminary faculty.
- Cardinal Glennon College hosted the **3rd Annual John Cardinal Glennon Lecture** with Dr. Francis Beckwith presenting *Faith, Reason, and American Public Life*.
- The seminary used **#FathersWeek** to promote appreciation and awareness of the priesthood in the week leading up to Father's Day. Tens of thousands of people shared the seminary's messaging online and helped encourage vocations in over 30 countries.
- The **Serra International Foundation** produced *Answer the Call*, a vocations video including footage from the priesthood ordinations in St. Louis and interviews with our recent alumni and administrators.



The Kenrick-Glennon Seminary Lions won the annual Fr. Pat O'Malley Invitational Basketball Tournament at Mundelein Seminary in January. The tournament is an opportunity for competition and fraternity among seminaries.



The 2014 Distinguished Alumni Award was presented to Msgr. Robert Gettinger, Class of 1964, in recognition of his dedication to ministry to the marginalized in the city of St. Louis.



The Class of 2015 participated in a five-day canonical retreat on the Mount of Beatitudes and visited many holy sites during the annual Holy Land Retreat & Pilgrimage.

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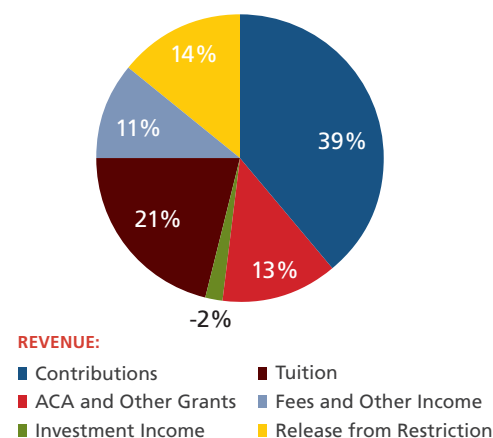
This is the current Board listing as of September 1, 2015.

Financial Facts: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is governed by the principles of good stewardship in the planning, development, and use of its financial resources. These are deployed to support the purpose of the seminary effectively and to enable it to achieve its mission and goals. Kenrick-Glennon Seminary ensures that revenues, expenditures, and capital projects are budgeted and submitted for review and approval by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors, clearly reflecting the directions of the strategic plan for the school. Such budgets are developed at the administrative level of the school in consultation with the administrators, staff, and faculty who bear responsibility for managing programs.

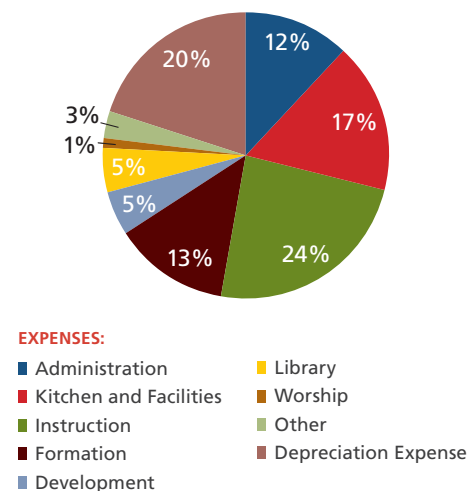
Revenue:

Contributions	\$ 2,636,439
ACA and Other Grants	919,460
Investment Income	(111,905)
Tuition	1,443,795
Fees and Other Income	746,344
Release from Restriction	975,659
Total Revenue	\$ 6,609,792

**Expenses:**

Administration	\$ 942,037
Kitchen and Facilities	1,384,258
Instruction	1,914,812
Formation	1,011,603
Development	372,055
Library	387,782
Worship	97,155
Other	247,779
Depreciation Expense	1,625,100
Total Expenses	\$ 7,982,581

The expenses include a large amount of depreciation which is a non-cash item.



Please note that this unaudited report excludes contributions and expenses associated with the Faith for the Future Capital Campaign and the renovations project.

Tuition for St. Louis Seminarians

A unique tuition structure has been established for seminarians studying on behalf of the Archdiocese of St. Louis to help ensure that no man is prevented from discerning God's call to the priesthood due to financial concerns.

St. Louis seminarians in Cardinal Glennon College are responsible for \$19,250 of their tuition. Scholarships are often provided through the generosity of seminary benefactors. Additionally, College seminarians may apply for an interest-free loan from the seminary if they cannot afford the tuition. These loans are forgiven upon ordination to the priesthood.

Men from St. Louis in Pre-Theology and Kenrick School of Theology are not charged tuition, room, or board during their time at the seminary. This annual cost of \$35,000 per seminarian is offset by a grant from the Archdiocese's Annual Catholic Appeal and donations from the seminary's benefactors. Contributions ensure the quality of priestly formation at the seminary and allow the seminary to maintain this unique tuition and loan structure.

El Camino: 640 Miles in Seven Weeks

By: Dane Westhoff, Pre-Theology II – St. Louis



When I saw the film *The Way* a few years ago, I thought it was just an average movie until seeing the giant botafumeiro at the Cathedral of St. James in one of the final scenes. I thought, *I needed to see that in real life.*

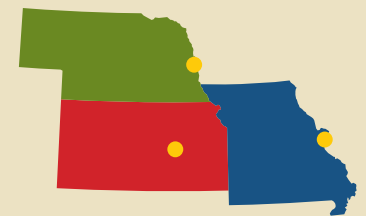
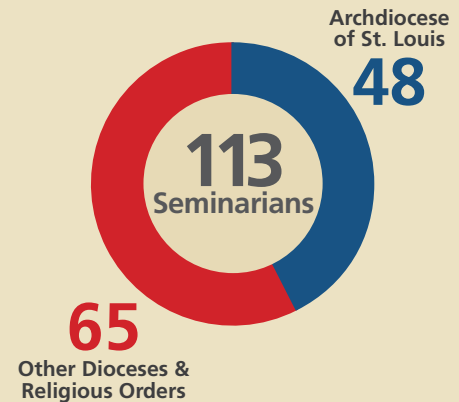
Five years later, I actually had the time and resources to do it. Almost everyone told me El Camino de Santiago would change me. After completing 640 miles of walking trails in the beautiful hill country of northern Spain, I can honestly say I am a changed man and I see the rest of the world in a different light.

Time moves more slowly over there. I was in Spain for seven weeks, five of which were spent on the Camino, but it felt like I was on a year long trek.

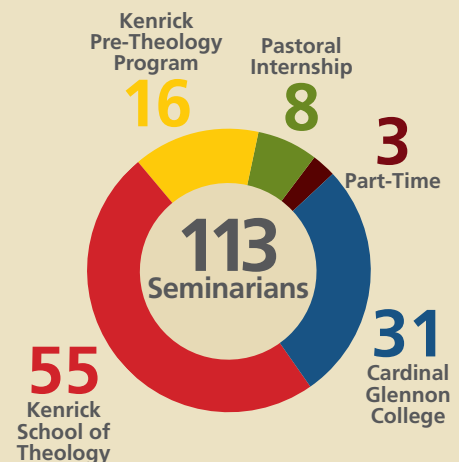
It was possible to not see a person for weeks and when I was reunited it felt like meeting a long lost friend. Walking miles together makes individuals become closer at a faster rate.

People always ask me about the best part of El Camino. I always respond with descriptions of the beauty of the cathedrals, the art, and the crucifixes. I also mention the friends I met, people from across the United States and the world. El Camino opened my eyes to the universality of the Church

2015-2016: Seminarians by the Numbers



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NOVEMBER

Thursday, November 5: Souls and Goals Soccer Game
Saturday, November 7: Convivium Mass and Dinner Auction
Thursday, November 12: Organ Concert in Chapel of St. Joseph
November 20-22: Come and See Weekend
November 25-November 29: Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER

December 1-9: Advent Novena
Tuesday, December 15: Fall Semester Ends
Friday, December 25: Christmas Day

JANUARY

December 27 – January 9: Holy Land Retreat and Pilgrimage
January 3-8: Retreats
Monday, January 11: Spring Semester begins
January 22-24: March for Life – Washington, DC

FEBRUARY

February 12-14: 40 Hours of Devotion and Priesthood Discernment Retreat
Sunday, February 14: Open House
Wednesday, February 24: Candidacy for Holy Orders – Theology I
Thursday, February 25: Board of Trustees Meeting

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in the Catholic Church.
Under the guidance of the
Holy Spirit and to the
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configuration to the
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High Priest and Shepherd,
so that he can shepherd
wholeheartedly with
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