



## The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

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As we prayerfully return this month to our parishes, our community has made a big impact beyond parish walls by glorifying God and loving one another amid the covid pandemic. **Generous donors like you** have raised tens of thousands of dollars to serve our brothers and sisters in need with food, housing, medical and education assistance. Together, our generous community raised **more than \$40,000** this month through the GivingCatholicNOW philanthropy movement, and our Mercy Fund made its first distribution - **\$35,000** to help people in need.

Amid these difficult times, Faith Formation middle schoolers have shared their faith and optimism by participating in a contest that honors **Mary, our Blessed Mother**. This month, we also shared our **2018 & 2019 Impact Report**, which shows how our partnership with faith-filled donors is transforming lives throughout Central Florida. We are grateful for your loving support as our community adapts to changing times. **God bless you!**

### In This Month's Newsletter:

#### Your Generosity is Making a Big Impact in So Many Ways...

- Succeeding Together: #GivingCatholicNOW, The Central Florida Catholic Mercy Fund, and our 2018/2019 Impact Report

#### A Time for Celebration...

- Congratulations & Blessings to all 2020 Graduates & those Ordained in our Diocese

#### A Focus on Our Blessed Mother Mary...

- Faith Formation Middle School Marian Contest
- May: The Month of Mary

## Charity Remains Alive & Well...

- The Vogelpohl Family's Philanthropic Journey: Growing Spiritually in Their Relationship with Jesus
- Charitable Gift Annuities

## MAKING AN IMPACT

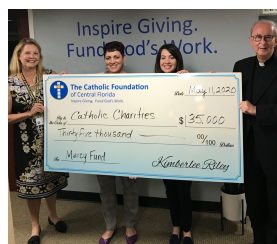
**SUCCEEDING TOGETHER: OUR DONORS' GENEROSITY IS IMPROVING LIFE FOR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN CENTRAL FLORIDA**  
**THANK YOU!**



### #GIVINGCATHOLICNOW

The Catholic Foundation rebranded Giving Tuesday Now to Giving Catholic Now earlier this month and your generous response raised **more than \$40,000** to support 88 parishes, schools and ministries who are serving in new ways since the arrival of the coronavirus pandemic.

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### MERCY FUND

The Catholic Foundation made its **first** Mercy Fund distribution - **\$35,000** to support Catholic Charities of Central Florida as its team continues efforts to provide for the increased needs, since the pandemic, of our neighbors for food, housing assistance and behavioral health care.

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### 2018/19 IMPACT REPORT

Our two-year Impact Report shows how your generosity has improved the quality of life for children, adults and families throughout Central Florida. We are serving more people than ever, strengthening faith life for our community in the Diocese of Orlando because of your support!

[READ THE REPORT...](#)

**Congratulations & Blessings**



*Blessings on your academic journey!*



Blessings to Deacons **Adam Marchese** and **Thomas Pringle** on their faith journeys!

## Marian Essay Contest

Middle Schoolers enrolled or engaged in Parish Faith Formation or Youth Ministry entered a lovely contest this month to express their devotion to Mary. Winners will share \$1,150 in total prizes that include a scholarship or a gift to their favorite Catholic charity or religious order. The contest asked for either an essay, PowerPoint presentation or video sharing the middle schooler's favorite title for our Blessed Mary and why. Father Frank Zammit, a retired priest in the Diocese of Orlando (now serving at St. Peter in Deland), is the contest's benefactor and innovator. Contest submissions are in and awards are being selected. **Winners will be announced in June.**

[Please click here](#) to see a video message from Fr. Zammit about the Marian contest. Thank you to everyone who participated and honored our Blessed Mother!





Mother of Good Counsel

Queen of the Universe

Queen of Peace

Mother of Mercy

Mother of God

Mother of the Church

Mother of Grace

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Czestochowa

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Queen of Heaven and Earth

Our Lady of Fatima

Undoer of Knots

Mother of the Sorrowful

Mother of Wisdom

Immaculate Mary

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

## Marian Contest

Share your favorite Marian title and how you express your devotion to Mary!

**1ST PRIZE: \$1,000 GRAND TOTAL!**

A \$500 Scholarship for your continuing religious education! (Religious education, mission trip, San Pedro retreats, or Catholic School tuition — You Choose!)

**And**

**\$500** for the parish or ministry of your choice!

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be announced in June 2020.

Current 5th-8th grade faith formation students are encouraged to participate.

Submit your entry by May 26, 2020.

Find out How To Enter & Get More Info at: [www.cfocf.org/mariancontest](http://www.cfocf.org/mariancontest)





## The Month of Mary

During the month of May, we honor our Blessed Mother that following her example, we may be more fruitful day by day as disciples of Christ. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin to come closer to Christ. As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary is exalted, yet still one of us. She is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit.



## The Vogelpohl Family's Philanthropic Journey: Growing Spiritually in Their Relationship with Jesus



Left to right: Ann and Dave and Vogelpohl. Kimberlee Riley and Janet Caramello of The Catholic Foundation

Dave and Ann Vogelpohl grew up in different households, but shared similarities: Both grew up in loving families with three children and middle-class homes where their fathers were business owners. Their families did not have a lot of extra money but Dave and Ann experienced that they always found a way to give something.

They shared another key similarity: both grew up Catholic, attending Mass weekly and on Holy Days, and praying the rosary and other devotions. They both also have youthful memories of using the children's donation envelopes to make gifts to the churches where they were raised (Ann in Indianapolis, IN; Dave in Quincy, IL), and at Lent to the Catholic Relief Services rice bowl in a little cardboard box.

[Please click here](#) to read about the Vogelpohl family's multi-generational philanthropic journey which has established The Catholic Foundation's first Endowed Donor Advised Fund. We are grateful for the Vogelpohl family's philanthropic leadership!

## Give a gift that will bring a lifetime of benefits

Would you benefit from a stable income stream that is not affected by market swings and will last throughout your retirement? **A charitable gift annuity can provide you with a secure source of fixed payments for life with the remainder benefiting the spiritual and corporal needs of your parish, parish school or favorite ministry in our Central Florida Catholic community.**

- You transfer cash, assets, or property to The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida, Inc.
- In exchange, we promise to pay fixed payments to you for life. The payment can be quite high depending on your age, and a portion of each payment may even be tax-free.
- You will receive a charitable income tax deduction for the gift portion of the annuity.
- You also receive satisfaction, knowing that you will be helping make a difference in your parish, school or ministry of the Catholic Church in Central Florida.

With all that is happening in the economy, **this year is a great time to start an annuity as the current rates**, set by the American Council on Gift Annuities, are particularly attractive. Payment rates are determined by the size of the donation and the donor's age. **Once set, the rate is guaranteed for life and is not subject to market volatility.**

**For Example:** Following the current rates, a 65-year-old who donates \$50,000 would receive a yearly payout of \$2,350 (\$50,000 x 4.7%) until their death. (Rates will change on July 1, 2020.)

The minimum gift for funding a Charitable Gift Annuity is \$20,000 and the minimum age for life income beneficiaries of a gift annuity is 60. A deferred gift annuity is offered if the minimum age for life income beneficiaries is 55.

If you decide to fund your gift annuity with cash, a portion of the annuity payment will be tax-free. You may also make a gift of appreciated securities to fund a gift annuity and avoid a portion of the capital gains tax. Please contact us to inquire about other assets that you might be able to use to fund a charitable gift annuity. If you are interested in more information, please contact Janet Caramello, Director of Philanthropy, at [jcaramello@cfcf.org](mailto:jcaramello@cfcf.org) or (407) 246-4802.

### Bob and Joan Cowgill

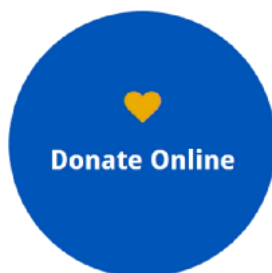
Having worked hard and saved wisely, Bob and Joan began looking for ways to prudently increase their stewardship of the church without jeopardizing their retirement.

*"We knew we needed more income from our investments, but we also wanted to make a final gift to the church," said Joan. "A charitable gift annuity seemed like a wonderful way to accomplish both of those goals."*

In exchange for a gift that will ultimately benefit their home parish of Blessed Sacrament in Clermont, the Cowgills are receiving fixed income payments for life.

### About The Catholic Foundation

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



**Stay Connected with Us Every Day!**



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



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