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Newsletter



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Living Faith Through Generosity: Faces of Philanthropy

As summer unfolds and we celebrate the warmth and renewal this season brings, we are reminded of the vibrant generosity that grows within our Catholic community. At the Catholic Foundation, we are blessed to walk alongside faithful individuals who are helping shape the future of our Church and community.

This month, we are excited to introduce *Faces of Philanthropy*—a new series that shines a light on the people behind the generosity: donors, volunteers, advisors, and partners whose stories inspire a deeper commitment to faith, service, and stewardship.

We begin with Ty McCormack, a devoted fundholder and the newly appointed Chair of our Planned Giving Advisory Council, whose professional insight and personal faith journey make him a powerful witness to the impact of intentional Catholic giving.

His words and witness remind us that giving is more than a financial act—it is an expression of love, trust, and hope for the future of our faith.

"Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7

We invite you to learn more about the initiatives and programs that make up the Catholic Foundation's mission—and to see how your own journey of giving can make a lasting difference. This summer and beyond, we are deeply grateful to be part of your philanthropic journey, and to walk with you in building a legacy rooted in faith and generosity.



Madelyn T. Weed, CFRE, CAP®

President & CEO

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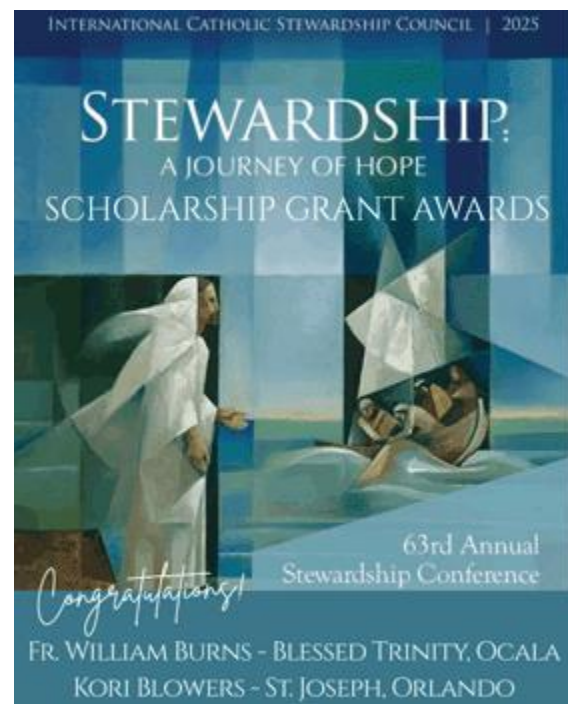
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Faces of Philanthropy: New PGAC Chair, Ty McCormack



We are excited to welcome Ty McCormack as the new Chair of our Planned Giving Advisory Council. [Click here](#) to learn more about Ty and his passion for the Church and financial planning.

Congratulations 2025 ICSC Scholarship Grant Recipients



Join us in congratulating our 2025 Growing Your Stewardship Scholarship Grant recipients: Rev. William Burns from Blessed Trinity in Ocala and Kori Blowers [Read more...](#)

Quick Survey - Help Us Better Serve You

Philanthropy Moment: What is Philanthropy?



As part of our ongoing effort to serve our community, we're gathering your questions about investing and Catholic-compliant investments. [Read more...](#)



Madelyn Weed, CFRE, CAP®, President & CEO, discusses how The Catholic Foundation assists you in reaching your philanthropic goals. [Click here](#) to watch.



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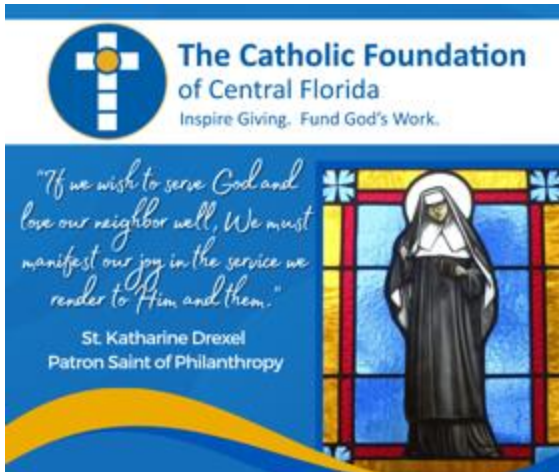
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Honoring Our Community Supporters



With heartfelt gratitude, we recognize the special donors who chose to support the operations of the Foundation this fiscal year as members of our St. Katharine Drexel Society. [Read more...](#)



Each year, a growing group of women in our Diocese chooses to invest in the Foundation's Women's Philanthropic Giving Circle, ensuring we remain faithful to our mission of [Read more...](#)



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"U.S. Debt is Riskier Than...?"

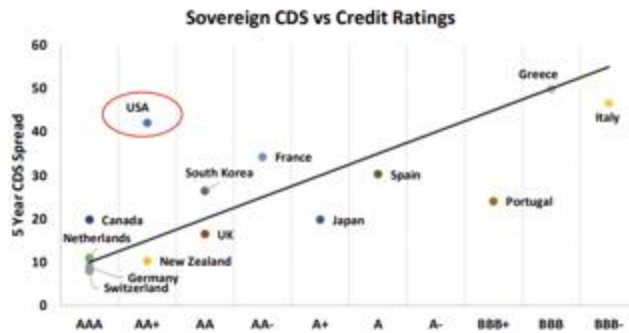
THE CONCORD ADVISORY GROUP, LTD: JUNE 2025 MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

COMMENTARY: "U.S. DEBT IS RISKIER THAN...?"

Default insurance premiums on U.S. Treasuries, the backbone of global collateral markets, are trading at levels that imply America is closer to a BBB+ risk than the official AA+ rating. Specifically, credit default spreads, the cost of insuring against a U.S. government default are trading between 40 and 50 basis points. Therefore, it costs \$40,000 to \$50,000 per year to insure \$10 million of U.S. Treasury debt against default for five years. Credit downgrades, high deficits, fiscal policy uncertainty and tariffs have contributed to a risk premium in the Treasury market.

From the repo market to pricing models such as Black-Scholes, the existence of a risk-free U.S. Treasury market for collateral is central to finance. The cost to insure against a U.S. default has been trending down since the tariff announcement in early April, but the default premium remains elevated.

The United States has excessive debt but also possesses tremendous financial and technological resources. Comparing the credit default premiums of U.S. Treasuries to other countries in the accompanying chart, the risk premium in U.S. rates seems excessive. If the default premium embedded in U.S. interest rates is excessive, it suggests that real interest rates in the U.S. may be too high.



Source: Torsten Slick - Apollo, Bloomberg

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[Learn more about joining the St. Katharine Drexel Society](#)



St. Katharine Drexel is the patron Saint of Philanthropy. The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida strives to emulate her work by enhancing philanthropic impact which serves those who are most in need in nine counties of Central Florida. [here](#).

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.

Returning God's Gifts



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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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