













AUGUST 2025

Make-A-Will Month: A Faithful Step Toward the Future

"Teach us to count our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart." -Psalm 90:12

August is National Make-a-Will Month; a timely reminder that planning for the future is one of the most meaningful expressions of stewardship we can offer. At The Catholic Foundation, we believe that creating a will is not just about planning your estate, it's about protecting the people and causes you love, and leaving a legacy grounded in faith, purpose, and generosity.

The Catholic Foundation offers a variety of tools to assist you in your planning. This month, we invite you to explore these resources on our website at cfocf.org/leavealegacy - this includes access to our network of Catholic estate attorneys and to the free, secure, and easy-to-use will planning tool at FreeWill. Whether you're creating your first will or updating an existing one, this online

resource helps you take that first step toward organizing your thoughts and helps to ensure that your values live on and your intentions are noted with clarity and care.

We are honored to walk alongside you in this important act of stewardship, and to support your desire to build a future rooted in love, service, and hope.

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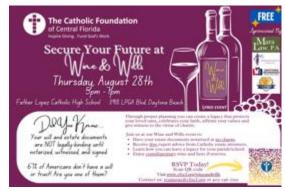
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Wine & Wills: Planning with Purpose



Hear how past attendees gained peace of mind, practical tools, and spiritual insight on legacy planning at our Wine & Wills event. Click here to watch and visit our Wine & Wills page to RSVP to our next event!

<u>Join Us on August 28th: Wine & Wills - Volusia</u>



To celebrate Make-A-Will Month, we invite you to Wine & Wills! Estate attorneys will be on hand to answer your questions, and you can bring estate documents to be notarized at no charge. Click here to RSVP today!

Faces of Philanthropy: Meet WPGC
Founding Chair Lori Tolland

<u>Sip & Learn: Discover the Power of</u> <u>the Giving Circle</u>





Discover Lori Tolland's inspiring journey of faith and philanthropy, making a lasting impact with The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida. Lori is a dedicated public servant, registered nurse Read more...

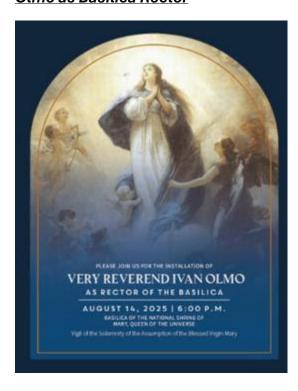
Join us for a relaxed Zoom gathering to learn more about the Women's Philanthropic Giving Circle - where faith, friendship, and generosity come together. Discover how you can make a lasting impact! RSVP today.

Monthly Legacy Reflection

What was your first experience of charitable giving?



Installation of Very Reverend Ivan Olmo as Basilica Rector



Faces of Philanthropy: Meet Board Chair Karen Monteleone



Join us in celebrating the Installation of Very Reverend Ivan Olmo as Rector of the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe on August 14 at 6:00 p.m. We are grateful to have Fr. Olmo serve as the Foundation's Spiritual Director, guiding us with wisdom, faith, and a deep commitment to our mission.

An accomplished board and nonprofit executive, Karen Monteleone has decades of experience leading organizations through growth and transformation. We are blessed to have Karen serving as our Board Chair and supporting the Foundation's mission as a member of the St. Katharine Drexel Society and the WPGC. Read more...

CFOCF Trivia: How Well Do You Know The Catholic Foundation?



Think you're a Foundation expert? Test your knowledge and grow in mission with us! <u>Click here</u> to participate.

Philanthropy Moment: Leaving a Legacy for Your Parish



Madelyn Weed, CFRE, CAP® - President & CEO shares different ways that you can give back to your parish. Click here to watch.



Market Highlights from Our Trusted Partner The Concord Advisory Group, Ltd.

"Narrow Wins & Large Losses"

THE CONCORD ADVISORY GROUP, LTD: JULY 2025 MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

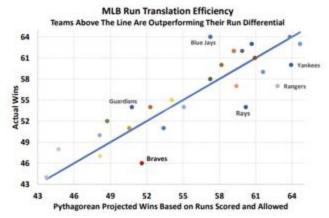
COMMENTARY: "NARROW WINS & LARGE LOSSES"

In baseball, narrow wins and large losses reflect a manager's efficiency and skill. The opposite is true in investing and finance.

The most efficiently managed baseball team is one that generates the highest number of wins for a given number of runs scored and allowed. Bill James created the Pythagorean Winning Percentage formula which calculates the number of games a team should win based on the number of runs they score and allow. The chart below uses a version of James' formula to show which major league teams' win total are outperforming or underperforming their run differential so far this year. If a team has won more games than projected by the formula, such as the Blue Jays, it indicates that they have efficiently managed their game day decision, especially relating to their relief pitchers.

As an example, if a baseball manager handles his pitching staff well, his team may win five games by one or two runs and then lose the next game by a wide margin. This would be an efficient use of a pitching staff, as the narrow wins and one large loss creates a 5 win / 1 loss record. In baseball, performance is additive, and each result is measurable in binary units of 1 win or 1 loss.

In finance, outcomes are multiplicative (returns compound over time) with unspecified units. Narrow wins and large losses work well in baseball, but it is terrible for investing. If a portfolio has a 5% annual return for 5 years and then loses 25% in year 6, the total return is -4%. A single large drawdown can erase years of steady gains and leave the investor worse off than when they started. While it is improper to judge baseball managers on their worst days, for investment managers their worst days are often the most important days to analyze.



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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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