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Newsletter



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From One Generation to the Next

*“One generation praises your deeds to the next and proclaims your mighty works.”
– Psalm 145:4*

Each November, the Church calls us into a sacred season of remembrance, a time to honor the faithful who have gone before us and to reflect on the spiritual legacy they have entrusted to us. Their witness of faith, service, and generosity remind us that the seeds we plant today will bear fruit for generations of Catholics.

At The Catholic Foundation, we embrace this call to carry our faith forward. Through endowment and reserve funds, we provide lasting means for our parishes, schools, and ministries to thrive ensuring that the light of Christ continues to shine brightly for future generations.

As we remember and give thanks this month, may we also act with purpose transforming remembrance into action by preserving the gifts of those who came

before us and building upon that foundation a lasting inheritance for those who will follow in our footsteps.



Madelyn T. Weed, CFRE, CAP®

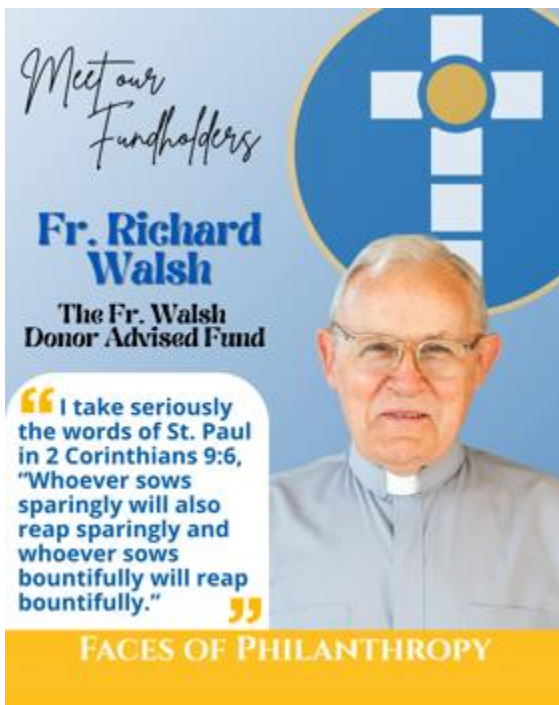
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***Faces of Philanthropy: Meet
Fundholder Fr. Richard Walsh***



I am eternally grateful to those individuals and groups who really assisted me in my upbringing and those who guided me as I attempted to live out my priestly vocation. [Read more...](#)

***Philanthropy Moment: A Plan for
Passing Along Your Values***



Madelyn Weed, CFRE, CAP® President & CEO shares how creating a values-based estate plan helps families pass on their faith, purpose, and generosity alongside their financial legacy. [Click here](#) to watch.

CFOCF Trivia:

What are the values of CFOCF?

- A)** Faith-filled passion
- B)** Collaboration and transparency
- C)** Stewardship and servant leadership
- D)** Impact
- E)** All of the above



Answer: E; All of the above

WPGC Distributes \$30,000 to Six Catholic-Compliant Nonprofits



We continue to be inspired by the joy and impact of our Women's Philanthropic Giving Circle and are delighted to share highlights from our recent Grant Awardee Celebration! [Click here](#) to watch.

WPGC Grant at Work: St. Kateri Garden



With support from the WPGC, the youth group at St. Matthew Catholic Church enhanced the St. Kateri Habitat, growing produce for local food pantries to nourish families in need. [Click here](#) to watch.



Did You Know?

Even though National Estate Planning Week has concluded, it is always the right time to meet with an advisor to create or update a plan that is both holy and practical.

Our charitable gift advisors at CFOCF are always happy to help you take the first steps.



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Celebrating Catholic Giving Tuesday
2025

2025 Catholic Charities Annual
Collection



On Tuesday, December 2, the world will participate in Giving Tuesday 2025. The Catholic Foundation adds Christ's charitable heart to this holiday [Read more...](#)

We can't do it without you! Your prayers, donations, and volunteerism helped us serve God's people throughout Central Florida. [Click here](#) to watch.

Diocese of Orlando Ministry Leaders:

Join us!
Tuesday, November 11th at 1:00 PM

The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida invites you to a **Catholic Giving Tuesday Best Practices Webinar** on Zoom!

Learn key strategies for fundraising success, discover helpful tips to engage your community, and get your questions answered.

This webinar will be recorded and made available for sharing.

For the link to the webinar, please email rcamous@cfocf.org

[Click here](#) to email Rosie Camous, CFOCF's Donor Services & Event Coordinator, for the webinar link.

Monthly Legacy Reflection

What is your favorite parable in the Gospels? How does this preference affect your charitable giving?



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

"Memes & Thresholds"

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In 1978, prominent sociologist Mark Granovetter developed a threshold model to explain collective behavior, which may be pertinent to the current euphoria in parts of the equity market. According to his theory, every person has a "threshold," defined as the number or proportion of peers who they must see act before that person will join in on the action. For example, when one house puts up Halloween decorations, it makes their neighbors more inclined to decorate as well.

In markets, these crowd dynamics can overshoot fundamentals. Finance-focused chat rooms and social media amplify the visibility of peer stock buying, which according to Granovetter's model, makes it psychologically easier for other retail investors to likewise speculate, sometimes excessively.

This year, lower quality, speculative stocks are soundly outperforming higher quality stocks with stronger fundamentals across markets. For example, the Goldman Sachs Meme Index tracks the performance of the U.S. stocks that are most popular among retail investors, particularly those with high social media visibility. Retail buying has pushed the index up 67% this year, and the index is trading at an incredible, likely unsustainable, 170 times forward earnings.¹

In a euphoric market environment, it is important to be even more diligently aware of the securities you own. As crowd dynamics and large equity gains blur the distinction between investing and speculating, investment discipline becomes more valuable, but also more psychologically difficult.



¹ The historic S&P earnings multiple is less than 20 times forward earnings. Chart Source: Bloomberg

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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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