

Founded In Christ

What's Happening?

Advisory Board Meeting Dates for 2011

February 28, 2012

May 22, 2012

October 2, 2012

Annual Board of Directors Meeting

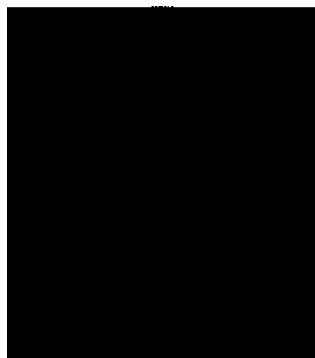
August 14, 2012

Suggestions?

We are always trying to improve. Give us a call; we would appreciate hearing from you!

Have a story you want to share?

Has your endowment enabled you to do something special? Let us share your story with others.



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Number of beneficiaries Increases!

The old saying goes that there is strength in numbers and we are happy to report our numbers are growing! There are currently 75 endowments housed in the *Foundation for the People of Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois*. The majority of these endowments are almost equally divided between parish and school needs. The remaining funds cover a variety of necessities including our cemeteries, priests' retirement and health care, vocations, diocesan tuition assistance and many others. Consider starting an endowment today. An investment in our Foundation is an investment in the future of our diocese!



Meet One of Our Newest Members!

With a town called Sainte Marie, you know there has to be a Catholic parish nearby and what more appropriate name for that parish than St. Mary of the Assumption. Through a bequest, St. Mary of the Assumption parish in Sainte Marie has become one of our newest beneficiaries in the Foundation.

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Newest Members (Continued)

A former parishioner left the proceeds from his farm property in his estate to various charities. This included St. Mary of the Assumption Parish. There were provisions in his will that allowed the funds to be placed in an endowment. The funds were invested in the *Foundation for the People of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois*.

St. Mary's used the proceeds to partially fund renovations to their parish hall. The parish was also able to provide tuition assistance to St. Thomas Catholic School in nearby Newton, Illinois. In this way, the endowment actually benefited two parishes. These efforts were made possible without impacting parish savings.

Fr. Allen Kemme, pastor for St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, said this about the endowment, "A pastor is always grateful for any bequests that come to his parish, but we feel doubly blessed that this particular gift will continue to serve our parish community for years to come."

Remind your parishioners when planning their estate to remember the *Foundation for the People of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois* as a planned giving option. For more information or to make a gift please contact our office at 217-698-8500 ext 114 or e-mail at: sriedell@dio.org.

Consider either starting a new endowment or promoting your current one as a giving option for your parishioners. Please contact the Foundation or visit our website www.foundationforthepeople.org for suggested bulletin announcements and other tactics to encourage these gifts!

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Where do we start?

The minimum requirements for starting an endowment for a Catholic entity in our diocese are simple. You will need a minimum of \$1,000, a local advisory board and will be required to send a report into the Foundation once a year. It's that easy! Please contact our office at (217) 698-8500 ext. 114 for more information on how you can start an endowment or make a gift to the Foundation.

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