

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE: Help Them Today! Seminarian Collection 2011

Background Information

- ❖ This is the seventh annual collection for the support of our seminarians. Last year, through the generosity of our generous parishioners, about \$471,000 was given.
- ❖ Fathers Luke Ferris and Bill Brunner were ordained priests on June 25, 2011. Two more men will be ordained priests in the coming year. We anticipate having over 20 men in the seminary this fall.
- Most men are in the seminary for six or eight years, which includes two years studying philosophy, and four years studying theology.
- ❖ With larger numbers of men in recent years comes a significant increase in costs. Seminarians are responsible for their own costs while in their first two years of college seminary. The Diocese pays for their costs for the final six years of school (pre-theology/philosophy and theology).
- ❖ This coming school year, the Diocese of Green Bay expects to spend more than \$800,000 for tuition, room and board, health insurance, summer language, spiritual and pastoral programs, a small stipend, and other costs. Additional money is spent for vocations promotion.
- Seminarians are currently studying at the following seminaries:
 - o St. John Vianney College Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota
 - o Conception College Seminary, Conception, Missouri
 - o St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
 - o St. Meinrad Seminary, St. Meinrad, Indiana
 - o St Francis de Sales Seminary, Milwaukee / Sacred Heart at Hales Corners, WI

Meet our seminarians:

Alvan Amadi, Theology III, Mundelein Seminary Brandon Barlow, St. Mary, Appleton, Theology I, Mundelein Seminary Adam Bradley, St. John, Antigo, College III, Conception Seminary College Jason Hawman, SS. Peter & Paul, Green Bay, Theology III, St. Meinrad Seminary Tom Holschuh, St. Mary, Greenville, College III, St. John Vianney College Seminary Kurt Krauss, Corpus Christi, Sturgeon Bay, Pre-theology II, St. Francis de Sales Seminary Dcn. Ryan Krueger, St. Mary, Menasha, Theology IV, Mundelein Seminary Edward Looney, Holy Trinity, Oconto, Theology I, Mundelein Seminary Tim Martens, Sacred Heart, Shawano, College II, St. John Vianney College Seminary Mark Mleziva, Immaculate Conception of Mary, Luxemburg, Pre-Theology I, St. Francis de Sales Seminary Andrew Natali, St. Pius X, Appleton, Pre-Theology II, Mundelein Seminary Greg Parent, SS Peter & Paul, Green Bay, College II, St. John Vianney College Seminary Matt Rappl, St. Gabriel, Neenah, College III, St. John Vianney College Seminary Jacob Rudd, St. Jude, Oshkosh, College III, St. John Vianney College Seminary Connor Schlaack, Most Blessed Sacrament, Oshkosh, College I, St. John Vianney College Seminary Ryan Starks, St. Mary, Marion, Theology II, Mundelein Seminary Michael Thiel, St. Raphael the Archangel, Oshkosh, College IV, Conception Seminary College John Thorsen, St. Augustine, Wausaukee, Pre-Theology I, Conception Seminary College Scott Valentyn, St. John, Little Chute Nepomucene, College IV, St. John Vianney College Seminary Dcn. WIlliam Van Dynhoven, St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute, Theology IV, Mundelein Seminary Michael Warden, SS. Peter & Paul, Green Bay, Theology III, Mundelein Seminary Brian Wideman, St. Margaret Mary, Neenah, Theology II, St. Meinrad Seminary Zachary Weber, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Greenville, Pre-Theology I, St. Meinrad Seminary