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YOUR GIFT TO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES BUILDS UP THE CHURCH

Dear Brother Knights,

When Fr. Cristino Bouvette began his studies for the priesthood, he knew that he would need support. He was just 17 years old. *"My first year in the seminary, I went there with next to nothing,"* he says.

Many men and women pursuing vocations are in a similar situation. They want to respond wholeheartedly to God's call. But they struggle with limited resources.

A little support can have a profound effect. Enough money to pay the bills or travel home to family for Christmas . . . a care package with words of encouragement . . . knowing that families in your diocese are praying daily for you—*these small things can make the difference in helping a young person follow the call of our Lord.*

The future vitality of the Church in our communities and our country hinges on these vocations.

Supporting vocations is one way your commitment to Knights of Columbus Charities builds up the Church and reclaims the world for Christ.

Each year, Knights of Columbus offers scholarships for tuition and room and board to almost 100 men studying for the priesthood at major seminaries. And our **RSVP** (Refund Support for Vocations Program) initiative helps thousands of local councils support seminarians and religious postulants in their communities.

Brother Knights, your gift to Knights of Columbus Charities helps build up the Church by removing the barriers that prevent men and women from answering God's call to religious life.

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Since 1981, Knights of Columbus has made nearly 175,000 donations totaling \$106 million to support individual seminarians and postulants through RSVP. That amazing sum demonstrates how Knights of Columbus Charities amplifies the effectiveness of local initiatives—including programs like Coats for Kids, Food for Families, and Warriors to Lourdes—by coordinating and augmenting the charitable efforts of Knights and supporters around the world.

For Fr. Bouvette, your support made his vocation possible. By supporting seminarians across the country, the Knights “made it possible for us to go through our discernment without being burdened by too many other concerns or worries.”

“I’m really inspired by the never-ending commitment of the Knights of Columbus towards promoting and then supporting vocations,” says Fr. Bouvette.

“As vocation director, I’m in frequent contact with the Knights. Their main concern has been, how can we make sure that we’re supporting the work that you’re doing?”

All told, friends like you have contributed to tens of thousands of men and women pursuing their vocations to the priesthood or religious life. Almost 3,500 future priests and religious are currently receiving some form of financial assistance and spiritual support from Knights of Columbus councils.

Brother Knights, supporting vocations today will have a profound effect on the health of our local parishes and communities for decades to come. **Please send your gift today to make a difference in the lives of seminarians and postulants and in the life of the Church itself.**

Your generosity sends a powerful message to a young person discerning a vocation. It encourages them to embrace the path God has set before them, knowing that they have our prayers and our steadfast support.

Sincerely in Christ,

John Marrella

Supreme Secretary

P.S. **When you make a gift to Knights of Columbus Charities, you help build up the Church and serve those in need through our global fraternity.** Your generosity supports initiatives like RSVP and other vocation programs, bringing much-needed encouragement and financial support to men and women in seminaries as they discern a vocation to religious life.

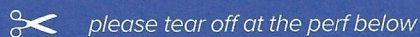


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Your generosity helps ensure that the Faith remains strong in our parishes and communities by supporting vocations, formation, charitable outreach, and more.



Yes, John! I want to help build up the Church and reclaim the world for Christ by supporting Knights of Columbus Charities. Please use my gift to help Knights' efforts to serve people in need and encourage young men and women who are answering God's call.

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The Supreme Council covers all administrative costs for this appeal.

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