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Dear Friends,

We continue to be overwhelmed by the generosity of God shown through the beautiful people in our Diocese of Yakima. Whether it is in the wonderful programs and work carried out through our grant recipients, or the monetary gifts that keep this work going, we are forever grateful.

As we reflect on the past year, we would like to extend our gratitude to the current and emeritus members of the Board of Trustees and Advisors and to all those who volunteer to support the Foundation. We are also extremely grateful for the support of all the faithful, especially Bishop Joseph Tyson and all our dedicated Priests, Religious, Deacons, and lay leaders. In gratitude, we invite each of you to join us for the upcoming Friends of the Foundation events (see page 3).

Applications for faith education funding and scholarships are now being accepted (see page 2). This year, the Foundation will distribute \$200,000 in funding through the Celebration of Faith, with an additional \$12,000 to be added to the Celebration of Faith Education Endowment, to help ensure future support for this powerful ministry. That is an increase of over \$27,000 in one year! We are always so grateful for donors who have established new endowments and those who have supported existing ones, helping the Foundation continue its vision of providing enduring support for Catholic education and the ministries of Central Washington. As of February 28, the Foundation has \$4,403,431 in endowed assets which in total allowed us to distribute \$366,664.18 in 2018.

As we further the mission of the Central Washington Catholic Foundation we encourage you to consider how best to support your parish or favorite organization, and the role that the Foundation can play in your giving plan. Our various giving options allow donors to direct their philanthropy to the causes they care about the most. We also offer donors the ability to create a personal, customized charitable plan that will carry out their giving intentions now and forever. With your help, and with Christ as our guide, the Foundation will continue to be a resource for the future of our Faith and our Diocese.

In following her call to action, we join St. Teresa of Calcutta as she says, *"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."*

In Christ's Love,



RJ Mazzola

Russ Mazzola
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In 2018 the Foundation gratefully welcomed six new Board Members

Steve Baldock
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Dr. Tom Miller
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A Heart for our Sisters

In 2015, Rick Pinnell established the Catholic Sisters of the Yakima Diocese Fund with the Catholic Foundation. Here is his story -

"In 1969 In Ving Long, Vietnam, I saw *firsthand* what Catholic Sisters can do to change lives. Four Irish Nuns raising 200 orphans in a war torn environment. Their ability to give these children hope, love and a future was my first experience of seeing the positive difference Sisters make in lives.



"Thank you so much for the gift I received last year. It made possible a wonderful trip on Maine's Coast, giving me restful time and the inspiration of nature that I needed to return with full energy to my work for God's people. Your kindness and generosity are a blessing in my life!"

Sister Kathleen Ross

Our Sisters meet the needs in our communities – whether they are educating children or serving the homeless, infirm, lonely, and hopeless, they are there for their fellow man. My experience in observing Sisters in their work, is clarified by a saying from Mother Teresa, **"In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love"**.

The work of the Sisters seems to be undervalued, underappreciated, without pomp and circumstance, and yet impacts those they serve every day. They give hope, help, education, and the most important gift, that of someone caring.

This is why I support the Sisters of the Yakima

Diocese with a Fund at the Central Washington Catholic Foundation. This Fund is designed to be used for only their individual personal enjoyment. They use it for retreats, trips home, hobbies, cultural events, and basically whatever they personally desire. The Fund also sponsors the Annual Sister Luncheon as well as attendance at area Catholic events.



Establishing the Fund during my lifetime has allowed me to personally see how this small amount of recognition is impacting their lives. It has also afforded me the opportunity to adjust how the funding is distributed to best meet their needs.

The Sisters are so appreciative of this recognition and opportunity to participate fully in the faith community. My hope is that moving forward, others will add their financial support to show the Sisters of the Diocese how much we appreciate what they have done and continue to do for our faith community."

"This on-going gift from Mr. Pinnell is so special because it expresses such great love and respect for the past and continued presence of Religious women in the works of the Church".

Sr. Agnes Huck

Faith Education Funding Available—APPLY NOW!

Does your parish desire to provide a more dynamic religious education experience?

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) grants provide funds to parishes and schools for training, stipends for volunteer Directors of Religious Education, program grants for parish and Diocesan ministries. **Deadline is May 1.**

Do you know someone that would like to send their child to a Catholic school?

Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) grants provide financial assistance for children (K-12) to attend one of the eight Central Washington Catholic Schools. Contact your school for more information. **Deadline for renewals is April 1. Deadline for new applications is May 1.**

Looking for college scholarships?

The Central Washington Catholic Foundation offers three scholarships for college students. **Deadline is April 1.**

Applications are available on our website at <https://cwcatholicfoundation.org>.

Nominate a Champion Today

The Champion of Catholic Education Awards honor and celebrate individuals for their outstanding efforts, contributions, and achievements on behalf of Catholic school and parish education.

Categories include

- Catholic School Teacher
- Benefactor/Volunteer
- Religious Education Director or Catechist

Champion awards will be presented during the Celebration of Faith.

The deadline for Champions of Catholic Education nominations is **June 15th**.

Nomination forms are available at www.cwatholicfoundation.org



Save the Date

October 12, 2019

Keynote—Fr. Robert Spitzer

Yakima Convention Center

"It is critical that we accept and continue the mission Christ gave us, so these are the words that Randy and I considered when we established the Our Lady of Fatima Education Fund."

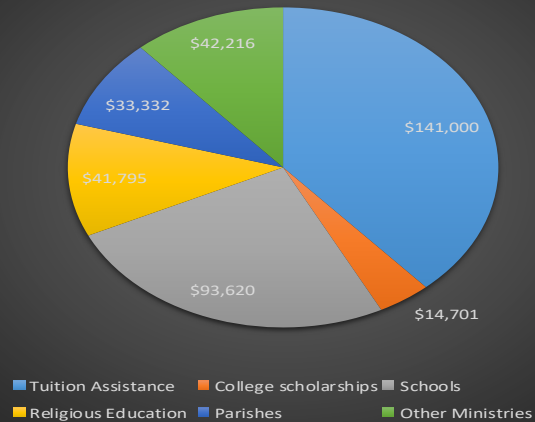
Randy and Jane Dickinson



*"Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them."*

Matthew 19:14

Total Giving



Your Generosity at Work in 2018

Join us! Friends of the Foundation

You are invited to join the Central Washington Catholic Foundation Board of Trustees in celebrating the blessings afforded by the Friends of the Foundation. Please join us for a one-hour Lenten meal as we recap how your generosity is helping children and their families walk with Christ today.

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| March 26 | 12:00 PM | Kennewick | Holy Spirit |
| March 27 | 12:00 PM | Moses Lake | Our Lady of Fatima |
| April 10 | 12:00 PM | East Wenatchee | Holy Apostles |
| April 10 | 6:00 pm | Cle Elum | St. John the Baptist |
| April 11 | 12:00 PM | Yakima | St. Joseph |
| April 11 | 6:00 pm | Grandview | Blessed Sacrament |

Invite your friends to join us. R.S.V.P Required

RSVP to mrichter@cwatholicfoundation.org or 509.972.3732

What Legacy will you Leave?

Today you express generosity and show concern for your community through daily activities and Sunday offerings.

When planning your will, you will likely seek to provide for family members and bequeath assets to your children. With thoughtful estate planning, you can seek to honor God and your current charitable activities as well.

Leaving a Legacy of Faith with the Central Washington Catholic Foundation allows you to show gratitude and express your Catholic identity while making an impact.

The **St. Joseph School in Wenatchee** Honor Choir shared their talents by singing the National Anthem at both a Mariners game and at local hockey events, in addition to providing entertainment at local retirement homes. School-wide the students have participated in Eucharistic Adoration and the Empty Bowls program to help support the St. Joseph Food Bank.



Prayers for the Unborn - St. Joseph School, Kennewick

La Salle High School in Union Gap is one of the smallest 1A school's in the state and is very proud to announce that in spite of their size both the Lady Lightning soccer and basketball programs won state championships this year.

St. Joseph School in Kennewick is excited to once again host the Catholic Faith Challenge and encourages all Catholic schools to participate. The event provides a weekend of comradery and fellowship as the students challenge themselves to know their faith and be better Christians.

Tri-Cities Prep High School in Pasco is gratified by the impact of their Cura Personalis Mentoring Program (CPMP). The program attests to their commitment to caring for the whole person and incorporates individualized academic and personal tracking for each student, monthly communication between the school and parents, and weekly mentor meetings.

The students and teachers at **St. Rose of Lima School in Ephrata** traveled to the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes in Spokane for a profound experience in venerating a Relic of St. John Vianney, his incorrupt heart, as a whole student body.

St. Joseph/Marquette School in Yakima is very proud of the students in their efforts to strengthen our school community through their leadership in our focus on our core values through prayer services, classroom activities, and individual choices.

Christ the Teacher School in Yakima understands that Faith is the key to success and they continue to keep the faith. They have been blessed with continued growth and community support over the last year and are excited and thankful to have Vice Principal Ron Richter on board given their fast pace growth.

Christ the King School in Richland is dedicated to living virtues and promoting a culture of kindness! Virtue-Based Restorative Discipline (VBRD) offers teachers, parents, and students a way to cultivate virtue while repairing harm from bullying and other hurtful behaviors. Virtues of the month are taught in classrooms, assemblies, and community circles. Golden tickets can be earned for being caught displaying virtues. VBRD has helped reduce bullying behavior by 65%.

Our Mission
To support Catholic education
Our Vision
To provide enduring support for
Catholic education and ministries
of Central Washington

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