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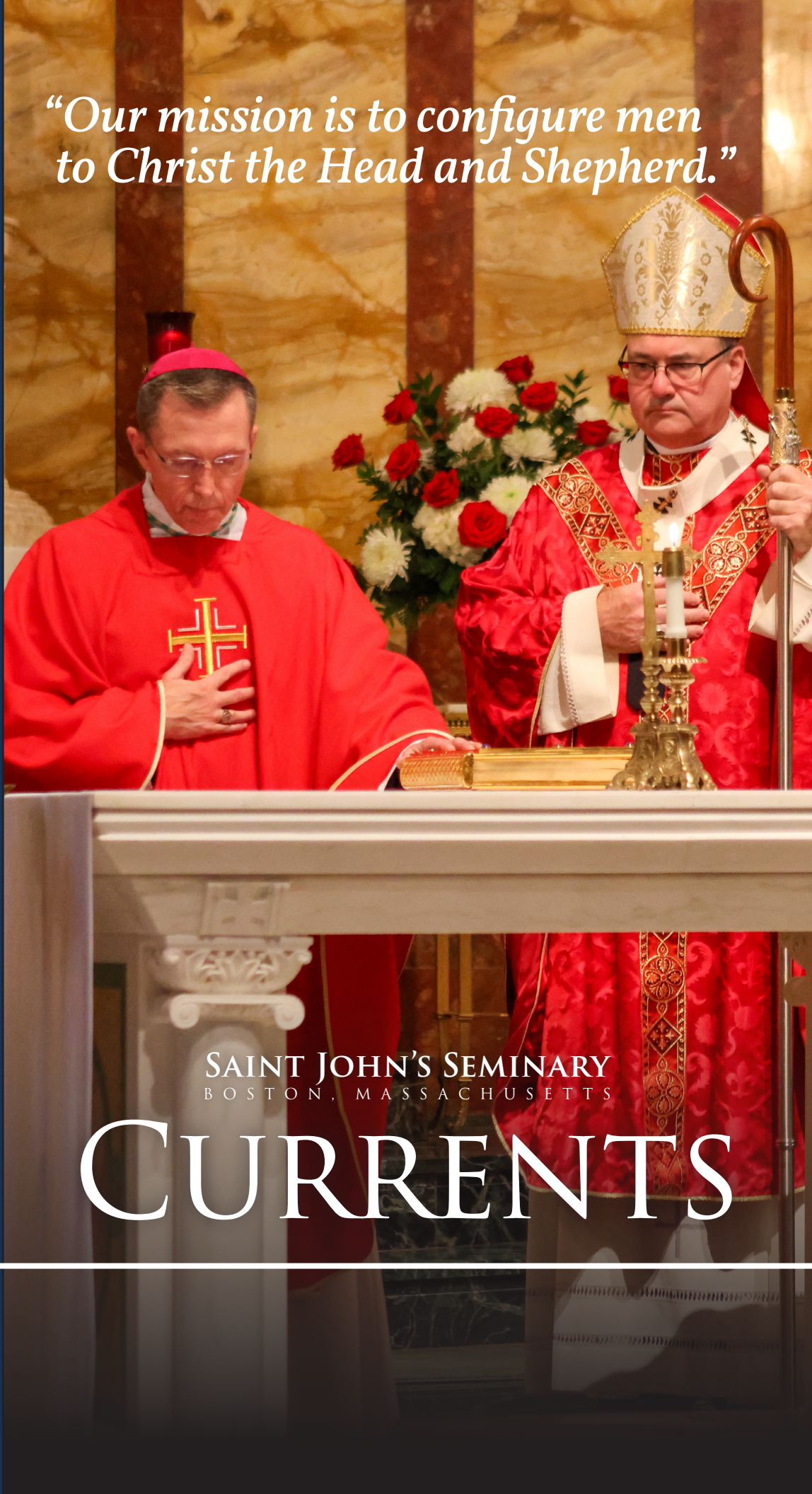
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LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends of Saint John's Seminary,

It is with deep gratitude and no small measure of holy fear that I write to you as the twenty-third Rector of Saint John's Seminary. Archbishop Henning's invitation to this ministry came as a surprise, and I remain honored by the trust of our bishops, trustees, faculty, and staff. I began my own priestly formation in these halls before continuing studies in Rome, and I have never forgotten what this house of formation can do in a man's life. After more than forty years as a priest—in parishes and in the “parish of the airwaves”—I have come to see the seminary as the heart of the dioceses it serves. From this community of faith, men led by the Holy Spirit to discern a call to Holy Orders are formed and sent forth with priestly grace, to serve and to inspire communion in the Faith.

Saint John's exists for a sacred purpose: to prepare men for the priesthood through the four pillars of human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation. Since 1884, this seminary has formed more than three thousand priests for New England and beyond. Our mission is not merely academic. It is to configure men to Christ the Head and Shepherd, so that they may proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the Sacraments, and build up the Church in His name. That work is possible only when the whole community—seminarians, formators, faculty, staff, and benefactors—lives as an ecclesial family, praying and studying together, and learning the charity that must mark every priest.

We began this academic year as every year at Saint John's ought to begin: rooted in prayer. On August 26 we gathered for the Opening Mass of the Holy Spirit and my installation as Rector. That liturgy was not a formality. It was a public act of dependence. Without the Holy Spirit, formation becomes a program rather than a conversion. I hope our men will learn, from the first days of this year, that study, apostolic work, and even healthy fraternity find their true center at the altar and in the daily rhythm of the Church's prayer.

My hopes for the seminarians are simple and demanding. I hope they will grow in self-knowledge and inner freedom; that they will love the Word of God and the Church's teaching with both mind and heart; that they will discover, in pastoral assignments and in ordinary community life, the joy of self-gift. I hope they will learn that there is no lone priest. Fraternity is not an extra; it is mission critical. Grace builds on nature. The different gifts, temperaments, and stories present in this house are the raw material the Lord uses when He configures a man to Himself.

I hold the same hope for the wider seminary community: that faculty and staff will continue the quiet, faithful work that has marked this place for generations, and that we will remain grateful to Msgr. Stephen Salocks, Rector Emeritus, whose nearly four decades of service—especially his years as Rector—have left us a living inheritance of Scripture, stability, and pastoral wisdom.

This summer the seminary hosted a conference for priests titled “One Priesthood, Many Ages.” Reflections from that day, including my own on how grace builds on nature in priestly fraternity, are now available as episodes of the SJS Podcast. I invite you to listen sjs.edu/sjspodcast

Please pray for us. Pray that this house will remain what it is meant to be: a community in which the Lord still calls, forms, and sends. And if we can bring your struggles and prayers along those of your family and community before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament each day, send us your intentions at WePrayforYou.faith

In Jesus, our only Hope,



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Bishop Robert P. Reed
Rector



Journeys That Form Us

A journey can take many forms. Sometimes it follows an ancient pilgrimage route; sometimes it leads deep into the wilderness, far from the familiar comforts of home. Yet whether walking a path traveled by generations of pilgrims or navigating a much less trodden mountain trail, the physical journey can become an opportunity for a deeper journey of faith. In these two reflections, our seminarians share how time on the road and in the wilderness opened new opportunities for prayer, fraternity, self-discovery, and encounter with God.

Into the Wilderness, Toward Mission



Mr. Patrick Earley
Seminarian
Archdiocese of Boston

It was after a long, draining day of kicking up dust on the Continental Divide Trail that we came upon the most beautiful campsite at Dream Lake. A large meadow stretched before us, filled with lavender, Indian paintbrush, and mountain bluebells. We prayed our Holy Hour there, surrounded by the beauty of creation. After Evening Prayer and dinner, a thunderstorm briefly passed, leaving behind the most beautiful sunset across the meadow. At the same time, to the east, a distinct rainbow stretched through the valley between two monster mountains. We sprinted

to a high point to take it all in. As we stood in silence and adoration, I could tell no one could decide which phenomenon to admire. We eventually descended to enjoy our newfound dessert: an “alpine” watermelon carried half a mile from the lake. Tomorrow was Sunday, with a food re-ration and Mass planned. It was clear that God the Father wanted to bless us.

I spent ten weeks of my summer with Catholic Outdoor Renewal (COR) Expeditions through Wyoming Catholic College as part of the St. Jogues Seminarian Project. My time in the Wild West combined formation, prayer, ministry, fraternity, and adventure. It included helping with a kids’ rock-climbing camp, two weeks at a family retreat on a cattle ranch, serving community dinners on the Wind River Reservation, and 27

total days of backpacking. Despite all these experiences, I will focus on my 21-day backpacking expedition in the Wind River Range with other seminarians from around the country and the lessons I learned in the backcountry.

First, leadership requires ownership.

One of the main reasons we went into the wilderness for a 21-day expedition was to grow in leadership. Having had opportunities to grow in self-knowledge through seminary formation and pastoral ministry, I identified a need to become more confident as a leader. Each day of the 21-day trip, two leaders made all the decisions: setting the schedule, making calls on the trail, finding a campsite, and leading team morale.

Leadership starts the night before. While everyone else slept, the leaders planned for the next day: we took

out the maps, fought off mosquitoes under headlamps, studied the route, and assessed potential risks. My most successful days leading were the days I planned more thoroughly the night before—knowing the route, mileage, elevation gain and loss, creek crossings, where to take breaks, where to fill up water, potential campsites, establishing handrails, and taking bearings.

Leadership is very much tied to self-possession. I had to set aside my own interests, desires, and fears to serve my team. Practically, this meant making it a goal to be the first one out of the tent in the morning, the first one packed, and the last one to eat dinner, all in order to be of service to others. Being self-possessed meant first being a leader for myself. And self-possession requires self-knowledge.

I became aware of my tendency to cut corners or rush decisions under pressure. I got my group lost twice, made poor risk assessments that led to stressful situations, set up camp at the wrong campsite, and added an extra three to four miles of off-trail bushwhacking up a mountain because of poor navigation. Faking it does not work in the wilderness. Decisions in the backcountry have real, loud consequences. I had to learn to own my decisions, including the mistakes, and not let past disappointment affect my future leadership.

Second, the wilderness trains self-gift.

Each night, I waited for the announcement from the instructors about whether we would have a layover day—a day to stay at one

campsite for rest and recovery—but that day never came. Each day brought more mileage, more elevation, more soreness, new blisters, and a new campsite. I expected and hoped for an “easy day,” but anticipating it is spiritually dangerous because it closes our minds, eyes, and hearts to reality. There are no “days off” in fatherhood, spiritual or biological, if a father is to truly give himself entirely. We must deliberately choose to stay in this challenge zone of the Cross if we want personal growth, and especially if we want discipleship (Mt 16:24).

Humbled and grounded in reality, we become more attentive to the revelation of God’s heart through His creation.

The micro-decisions of the day were the only things in my control, with one question constantly invading my mind: “Should I choose love or fear?” The decisions of love were clear: to put more weight in my pack to help a struggling brother, to fill others’ water bottles at the creek instead of resting, to push through exhaustion to set up camp with urgency, and to start trail conversations when the only thought on my mind was an ice-cold Coke and a burger back in town.

At the beginning of each day, unzipping the warm sleeping bag, there lies Christ’s invitation, in the form of a 90L backpack and trekking poles, to pick up the Cross and follow Him. The day will

bring both physical and spiritual challenges, but the Lord waits for our response. As our instructor reminded us every day to “gird your loins and send it,” we might as well take on the day with intentional self-gift and joy.

Third, the poverty of the wilderness reveals hearts.

I did not realize how weak I was until a 500-pound, fearless black bear stood 25 feet away, staring us down after breakfast. “If he charges us,” I thought, “we are done for,” as I sheepishly handed the bear spray

to the guy next to me. I dropped the notion that I was a Jim Bridger mountain man because, as it turns out, I was not as strong as I thought.

Unlike the challenges encountered in the front country, the backcountry has no distractions, quick fixes, or masks. It lacks comfort, convenience, control, and security. It was easy to recognize my dependence since we had to rely on someone else for even our most basic needs. Experiences of poverty expose the truth about ourselves, our situation, and others. Attachments, deep fears, false motivations, and disordered desires are exposed. They force us to accept reality without manipulating it.



God provides for us in our poverty, like a good father giving gifts to his son (Lk 11:11). Humbled and grounded in reality, we become more attentive to the revelation of God's heart through His creation: His power through the grandeur of the 12,000-foot snow-capped mountain range, His delicacy through a meadow of wildflowers, His fierceness through a mother grizzly bear, His peace through a still turquoise lake, and His creativity in a fifth-order rainbow. We soon realized that our notion of God was too small.

A priest must know himself, possess himself, and ultimately give himself. I had the opportunity to put into action the lessons of discipleship I learned and prayed about at Saint John's Seminary—this time with sweat in my brow, blood pumping heavily through my veins, dust on my face, and pain in my back.

More significantly, I was reminded in a new way of the love that God the Father has for me through others, through creation, and through adventure. I had the best summer of my life so far, and I am deeply

in debt to my formators in Boston and Wyoming, my supporters and donors, my instructors, and my brothers who endured the wilderness with me.

As we know from major figures in the Bible, the wilderness often prepares us for mission. So, I return to the East Coast with renewed zeal to apply what I learned experientially in Wyoming and to serve my brothers and community at Saint John's.

The Packs We Bear



Mr. Vince Barcinas
Seminarian
Archdiocese of Boston

This summer, I was blessed with the opportunity to walk the Camino de Santiago. I learned more than I could have ever imagined while on pilgrimage, but the most important lesson was literally right behind me.

One of the most important pieces of a pilgrim's kit is their backpack.

The packs are unique to the person carrying them and become almost an extension of them. I hung a cross, a couple of pilgrim's shells, and some ribbons on mine so I could pick it out of a pile and make it easier for friends to see me from a distance.

Aside from being a unique expression of the wearer, the pack is also the pilgrim's lifeline. My fellow pilgrims and I carried all our gear in our packs. I think it's

fair to say that our whole lives on the Camino were held together with zippers. I was carrying the bare minimum, but everything I needed for the journey was in my pack. If I lost it, I lost everything: devotionals, identification, spare glasses, medicine, cash. No matter where I was, I always knew where my pack was. It was the last thing I checked before bed and the first thing I looked for in the pre-dawn darkness.

The strange thing about the backpack is that the very thing I needed most was also one of the biggest burdens I carried on the Camino. No one wants extra weight

leave it in a ditch somewhere and be “free” to walk the Camino carefree and with ease.

Of course, I never did leave it behind. Whatever burden it placed on me, I knew I needed it to continue the journey. Ultimately, despite the burdens, the pack stayed with me. As much of a burden as my pack was, I learned to embrace it and recognize how important it was. It not only carried everything I needed, it even protected me once when I slipped and fell backwards onto it. From training to the Camino and back home, my pack never left me. Despite its burden, I could not let it go.

mind willingly chooses to undergo pain and suffering? It would be so much “easier” and “freeing” to just leave our crosses behind and go on our own.

But our crosses are our lifelines. It is through our crosses that we come to know, imitate, and love Christ. And it is through the Cross that we draw closer to Christ, the Fount of Life we need to live. Despite all the suffering our crosses give us, we cannot let go of our crosses no matter what.

It was through embracing my backpack that I learned to embrace my own cross. And while I came to



when they climb mountains and hills, but I had my extra weight strapped to my back for all of it. No one wants to feel unwieldy and clumsy, but my pack made sure I was the klutz in every market I walked into. No one wants to carry a big odor sponge with them all day, but my pack made sure to document the smells of every farmer's field AND bring them with me every step of the way. As much as I needed my pack to live, I was also tempted to

And somewhere along the way, I began to realize that my backpack was teaching me something about another burden that none of us can simply leave behind.

Instead of a backpack, let's imagine a cross. Not just any cross, but the personal cross unique to each of us that we are meant to take up, carry, and follow Christ with. Our crosses, like my backpack, bring us pain and suffering. And who in their right

be grateful for the backpack I carried, I came to love the mystery of Christ's Cross even more deeply as a result. I have the Lord to thank for the opportunity to open my heart to His teaching.

May all your pilgrimages provide opportunities for the Lord to teach you and call you to learn and love more fully.

Buen camino.

Bishop Reed Takes Up the Mission of Saint John's Seminary



Mr. Andrzej Skonieczny
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There is much that happens at a seminary that is not immediately visible. A man rises early for prayer, sits across the table from a brother seminarian at lunch, brings his questions to spiritual direction, and studies Scripture and theology. He discovers how to live in fraternity with men whose backgrounds and experiences may be very different from his own. Taken together over time, they become the quiet work of formation.

That is the work at the heart of Saint John's Seminary, and it was fitting that the seminary's new year began with the Opening Mass of the Holy Spirit on August 26. In his homily, Archbishop Richard G. Henning of Boston reminded the seminary community that renewal ultimately begins with the Holy Spirit, even as God invites His people to cooperate in that work. He described the seminary as a seedbed, a place where an interior life can take root and grow before eventually bearing fruit in ministry.

For Bishop Robert P. Reed, that work has already become deeply personal. Reflecting on his first Masses at Saint John's as rector, he recalled being "overcome with emotion" while praying with the new seminarians and faculty. "I

believe it was the realization of the privilege of helping form men who are discerning God's call to the priesthood," he said.

The years at Saint John's develop habits of prayer, trust, self-gift and communion that will sustain a man in priesthood. For the 83 seminarians currently being formed here, that future is already



taking shape. They represent nine dioceses—Boston, Providence, Portland, Rochester, Worcester, Manchester, Springfield, Fall River and Hanoi—and three religious communities: the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, the Benedictines, and the Discalced Carmelites. Together, they form a community entrusted with a common task: to discern and prepare for lives of priestly ministry.

At Saint John's, these men learn

to listen, accompany and live in communion with one another—the very qualities they will one day need as priests. Their human, spiritual and intellectual formation is gradually integrated into a life centered on Christ.

It is within this enduring mission that Saint John's welcomes Bishop Reed as its 23rd rector. A priest for more than four decades, Bishop Reed brings extensive pastoral experience to priestly formation, having served as a pastor, bishop and Catholic communications leader. His experience gives him a broad perspective on the many ways priests are called to serve the Church.

Yet his vision begins not with buildings, programs or numbers, but with the men themselves. On a recent episode of the SJS Podcast, he has spoken of his desire to know each seminarian not merely as a name on a roster, but as a person, so that the seminary can accompany each man more intentionally in discernment and formation.

"The seminarians at Saint John's give me tremendous hope," Bishop Reed said. "Their prayerfulness, the depth of their commitment, and their willingness to walk the road less traveled make all the difference."

The foundations of priestly formation in Bishop Reed's vision are prayer, spiritual direction, the sacraments, and fraternity. A priest will accompany people through the most important moments of

their lives: preaching the Gospel, celebrating the Eucharist, hearing confessions, visiting the sick, and walking with families through joy and suffering. He must therefore first learn to remain close to Christ, and to do so in communion with others.

For this reason, Bishop Reed places particular emphasis on fraternity. Shared meals, recreation, and conversation are part of learning how to live the vocation of communion that the priesthood demands. His vision for the propedeutic stage likewise reflects a desire to give men a strong human and spiritual foundation before they begin the more specialized work of philosophical and theological study.

Bishop Reed's experience in Catholic media also informs his vision for the priesthood. He believes seminarians must learn to proclaim the Gospel clearly, whether from a pulpit, in a hospital room, on a college campus or in an ordinary parish conversation. But the priest's words must also be made credible by the life he leads. The goal, he says, is to send these men forth as "joyful disciples and witnesses to the Resurrection in our day."



That future is why Saint John's exists. The seminary's work can sometimes be difficult to see because its most important results often lie years ahead. The man sitting in the chapel today may one day stand at

work on its campus. Bishops entrust their men to Saint John's; families entrust their sons to the Church; faculty and formators accompany them; alumni carry what they received here into their priesthood;

We send these men forth as joyful disciples and witnesses to the Resurrection in our day!



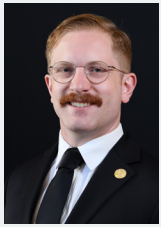
the altar in your parish, bringing the consolation of Christ to those entrusted to his care.

The August 26 Mass made that mission especially visible. Before the seminary community, Bishop Reed publicly professed the Catholic faith as he assumed his new responsibility as rector. Archbishop Henning called the community to trust the work of the Holy Spirit and to recognize that God continues to invite His people to participate in the renewal of His Church. Afterward, the community gathered for a barbecue.

The mission of Saint John's belongs to more than those who live and

benefactors sustain the work; and friends of the seminary pray for the men along the way. All are part of the mission.

Bishop Reed begins his ministry as rector at an important moment for Saint John's, but the mission he inherits is older than any one rector and larger than any one generation. The task remains what it has always been: to form men who know Christ, love His Church and are prepared to give their lives in service of His people. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Saint John's continues to cultivate the seedbed from which the Church's future priests will grow.



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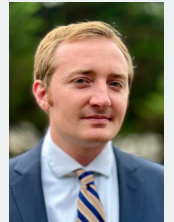
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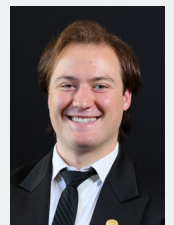
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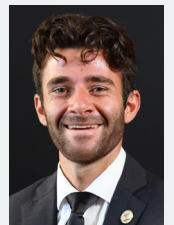
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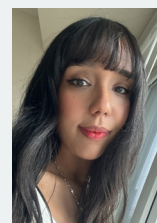
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Welcome to Saint John's Seminary

Saint John's Seminary is pleased to welcome 23 new seminarians who are beginning a new chapter of discernment, formation, and preparation for priestly ministry. Coming from dioceses and religious communities across New England and beyond, they join the Saint John's community with a desire to deepen their relationship with Christ and prepare to serve His Church as faithful priests.

We also welcome 7 new students to the Theological Institute, who are pursuing deeper theological and spiritual formation in order to grow as disciples and serve more faithfully in their parishes, schools, and ministries.

Together, these students bring a shared desire to grow in faith, knowledge, holiness, and service. We are grateful to accompany them as they seek to respond generously to God's call and look forward to the ways their formation at Saint John's will bear fruit for the Church.



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FAMILY DAY

Celebrating the Community Behind Every Vocation

At Saint John's Seminary, priestly formation happens within a community. Seminarians pray, study, and live together as they discern and prepare to give their lives in service to Christ and His Church. That community extends beyond the Seminary to include the families, dioceses, parishes, priests, and friends who have accompanied them along the way.

Family Day offers a special opportunity to celebrate that community.

On September 20, families and friends of our seminarians gathered at Saint John's for Mass, the Rite of Investiture, and brunch. Parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends met faculty and seminarians, toured the campus, and experienced more fully the community in which their sons and brothers are being formed for priesthood.

The day also marked an important milestone for eleven seminarians who completed the propaedeutic stage of formation and celebrated the Rite of Investiture. The rite signifies their entrance into a new stage of formation at Saint John's, as they deepen their commitment to follow Christ and discern the call to priestly ministry.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Mr. Aaron Beecher, Mr. Adam Chamberland, Mr. Quinn Cunningham, Mr. Nicholas Huegel, Mr. Ryan Immerman, Mr. Michael Joy, Mr. David Leff, Mr. Thomas Pawlak, Mr. Adam Sorrels, Mr. Benjamin Woodruff, and Mr. Daniel Zatta as they continue their journey of formation at Saint John's.

For the Seminary, Family Day is also a reminder of the foundations upon which every vocation is built. Many seminarians first encountered the

life of faith and the possibility of a vocation within their own families. The habits of prayer, sacrifice, responsibility, and generosity learned at home continue to shape the men they are becoming.

As Saint John's forms men for priesthood, it does so with the support of a much larger Church community. Family Day gives us an opportunity to recognize those who accompany our seminarians and to give thanks for the many ways God has worked through their lives.

We are grateful for the families and friends who joined us, and for all who continue to pray for and support the men being formed at Saint John's.

Please continue to pray for our seminarians as they discern and prepare for lives of faithful service to Christ and His Church.



From Left: Mr. Adam Chamberland, Mr. Michael Joy, Mr. Adam Sorrels, Mr. Aaron Beecher, Mr. Daniel Zatta, Mr. Quinn Cunningham Bishop Robert Reed, Mr. Ryan Immerman, Mr. Benjamin Woodruff, Mr. Nicholas Huegel, Mr. David Leff, Mr. Thomas Pawlak



We Pray for You

How praying for the intentions of others reveals the heart of the priestly vocation



Mr. Quinn Cunningham
Seminararian
Archdiocese of Boston

“The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit,” declares the Psalm. Since the beginning of time, God’s people have called out to Him in moments of distress. Abraham, Moses, and Hannah each brought their fears, frustrations, and hopes before God. Throughout the Scriptures, God’s people experienced slavery, deliverance, victory, exile, and captivity—and they prayed through all of it. The Scriptures give us their prayers, petitions, and hopeful expectations.

Then, in Jesus, God did something beyond any expectation. He not only answered these prayers, but He made them His own. In His earthly life, Jesus lived, prayed, and suffered as the people of God had always done. He praised, petitioned, rejoiced, and wept. Finally, He brought every prayer and cry that had been or would be uttered to God to the Cross, uniting Himself to all of it. From then on, God’s people would not only petition God for relief in distress, but unite their sufferings with His own.

As we have begun the “WePrayForYou” initiative, I have been struck by this reality. God’s people continue to petition God for help and unite their sufferings to His Cross. A few times a week, I read and pray for specific intentions that we receive. Doing this offers a small but concrete glimpse into all the crosses that the Church is carrying with Christ.



Seminary formation can sometimes feel distant from the “front lines” of the Church. Yet, when I read and pray for these intentions, I experience a moment of connection. In the hopes, fears, sufferings, and loves expressed in each petition, I see a person longing for God just as I am. I will likely never meet the person who wrote the intention, but in that moment we are joined by our mutual longing for God. We are united as the Body of Christ, and we can help bear one another’s crosses.

Through this, I am reminded not only of our need to support one another on our journey to heaven, but also of the purpose of the priest. The priest unites the longing, anguish, joy, frustration,

and gratitude of God’s people to the voice of Christ. As we are formed to, God-willing, be priests, praying for the petitions of God’s people is a powerful reminder of Christ’s mission.

Christ did not come to instantly alleviate all suffering or to explain it away, but to unite it to Himself in love. He took all the prayers humanity would ever utter and formed them into the single song of His life. At every Mass, the priest intones this song and directs it toward its crescendo: “Through Him, with Him, and in Him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.”

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