Welcome to Our Chief Philanthropy Officer



Garrett Owen
Chief Philanthropy Officer

We are delighted to introduce Garrett Owen as the newest member of The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia's team.

Garrett has joined as a Senior
Executive Management Team member,
taking on the role of Chief Philanthropy
Officer. With more than 15 years of
experience in nonprofit fundraising
and leadership, Garrett will oversee The
Foundation's advancement strategy
and provide donors with pathways to
support causes and priorities that are
meaningful to them. He is passionate
about helping individuals achieve their
charitable goals and create an impact
in their communities through the
power of philanthropy.

"As a resident of Greater Philadelphia and a lifelong Catholic, I have seen up close the impact of The Catholic Foundation and its guiding principles grounded in faith and service," says Garrett. "I am humbled to join the team and partner with donors throughout the region to make a difference in the lives of others and transform communities."

Before joining The Catholic Foundation, Garrett was the Senior Director of Development at Doylestown Health. He is also a member of the National Association of Charitable Gift Planners and the Planned Giving Council of Greater Philadelphia. Garrett and his family are active members of St. Agnes Parish in Sellersville, PA. For questions or personalized gift-planning needs, Garrett can be reached at gowen@thecfgp.org.

Angel Award: Save the Date October 24, 2024

On Thursday, October 24, The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia's Grant Committee will present the 2024 Angel Award to an organization that promotes innovative efforts to enhance evangelization in the greater Philadelphia area.

This grant was created to proactively influence the future of the Catholic Church in our community. The Grant Committee guides the applicants throughout the grant cycle. The final round of applicants present their proposals to The Foundation's Board of Trustees judging panel and the group votes live. The event will take place at the Union League Liberty Hill from 6:00-8:00 pm.





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A Message from President and Chief Executive Officer Sarah O. Hanley



As we enter into this season of rejuvenation, it's a great time to reflect on the strength of your gifts and the impact of the work they foster in our beloved communities.

Your continued support has enabled us to do big things for the people of Greater Philadelphia. We established eight new funds that will have an indelible impact on parishes, schools, and youth programs throughout the region. We raised over \$1.6M in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia with our #iGiveCatholic initiative. We brought the community together with our annual Women in Philanthropy Forum and a new program called the Catholic Workshop Series, And we welcomed Garrett Owen to the new role of Chief Philanthropy Officer, which will strengthen our advancement strategy and help you find the perfect fit for your giving.

I invite you to dive into our latest newsletter and read about all of the crucial work at The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia. Thank you for supporting our mission to serve God and His children. By doing so, we enhance the lives of everyone in the community.

Sarah O. Hanley
President and Chief Executive Officer

Newly Established Funds*



Assumption B.V.M. Parish Fund (West Grove)

As one of the oldest parishes in Greater Philadelphia, Assumption B.V.M. Parish needs help to shore up its facilities, equipment, and capital expenditures. The Assumption B.V.M. Parish Fund will pave the way for much-needed improvements, and it also supports the parish's various social services, educational services, ministries, programs, and organizations.



Catholic Elementary Schools Sustainability Fund

Nearly every Catholic school student in Greater Philadelphia will benefit from the Catholic Elementary Schools Sustainability Fund, which supports the operational expenses and budgetary needs of the Office of Catholic Education for the Elementary Schools of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



Live Vertical Fund

Live Vertical brings a culture of encounter, evangelization, conversion, and missionary discipleship to high schools in Greater Philadelphia. The Live Vertical Fund helps support the organization's facilities, equipment, educational services, programs, and ministries.



Rising Together Alliance Fund

Rising Together Alliance provides children with intellectual disabilities the opportunity for an inclusive Catholic education in parochial schools within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Rising Together Alliance Fund supports the organization's capital expenditures, educational services, and programs.



Saint Matthias Parish Fund (Bala Cynwyd)

The Saint Matthias Parish Fund supports the parish community's social and educational services, ministries, programs, and organizations while maintaining the property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment. It also funds capital expenditures, making Saint Matthias Parish a safe and welcoming environment for all.

*These represent those new funds whose advisors have agreed they be made public.



Women in Philanthropy Forum Highlights

The Foundation's Women in Philanthropy Forum, held November 15, 2023, brought women together and highlighted their significant impact on the nonprofit sector. Our panelists included philanthropists Meghan Cokeley, Sister Isabella Davila, Sarah Hanley, Barb Riley, Barbara Rose, and moderator Dr. Laura Sicola.

Thanks to generous contributions, we funded the Women in Philanthropy Leadership grant. We also introduced Women in Philanthropy Giving Circles to empower women to identify organizations, initiatives, and leaders who benefit from this grant.

Our 2023 Women in Philanthropy Leadership Fund grant recipient was the Gianna Center of Philadelphia.

Thanks to all who attended the 2023 Women in Philanthropy Forum. Mark your calendars for the 2024 Forum on Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

Estate Planning Workshops

The Foundation hosted the Catholic Workshop Series around estate planning. Called "It's the Circle of Life: Conversations Catholics Should Have Now about End-of-Life Planning," the event featured expert speakers who shared the advantages of getting one's affairs in order.

If you're interested in attending future workshops or would like more information, please contact Garrett Owen at gowen@thecfgp.org.



#iGiveCatholic Recap

The 2023 #iGiveCatholic initiative was a huge success here in the Archdiocese. Celebrating its fourth year in Philadelphia, #iGiveCatholic raised over \$1.6M for 101 organizations from 7,873 donors! This included \$26,000 in prizes thanks to our sponsors, especially our Lead Sponsors, Kennedy Printing Co. Inc., Merrill Lynch Wealth Management, and Stradley Ronon Stevens and Young, LLP; as well as our Partner Sponsors. PNC Financial Services Group, Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr. LLP, and Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders, LLP.

Thanks to all participating organizations for their hard work and to everyone who donated to this special initiative. Save the date for #iGiveCatholic 2024, Tuesday, December 3rd.



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