

ARCHDIOCESE ONE

In response to real needs, and after broad consultation, as well as much work, I am happy to announce the start of a special appeal, which we are calling ArchdioceseOne, to help the poor and to support the mission of the Church.

As the special appeal unfolds, each of us will be invited to help secure the future for mission-related needs:

- to financially support retired priests
- to educate future priests, our seminarians
- to make much-needed repairs to the Cathedral of St. Raphael
- to provide more legal services for immigrants, which has been identified as the greatest need for the poor in our midst

And we're hoping that when we each do our part our special appeal will produce spiritual benefits as well, for example:

- to unify our Archdiocese church family
- to deepen our practice of stewardship as a way of life
- to heal the Church with the medicine of charity

As a beggar for the Lord, I am asking all of us, please, to support our special appeal with a sacrificial gift, and to pray for its success. We can't hope for its material and spiritual success unless this holy work is begun with God's inspiration and carried out by God's help.

Towards that end, I invite you to pray with me our official prayer for the special appeal, "God, come to our assistance; Lord, make haste to help us."

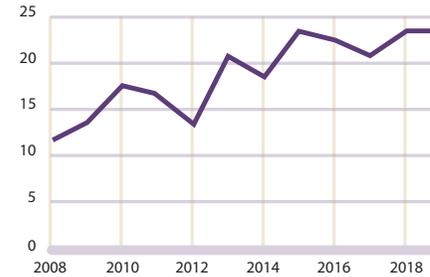
I look forward to sharing more exciting news with you in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



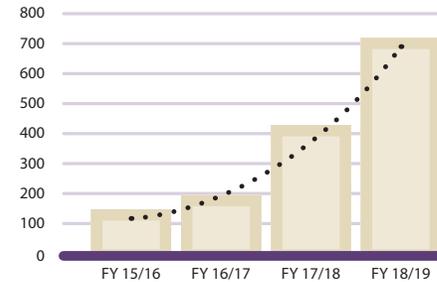
Michael O. Jackels
Archbishop of Dubuque

Number of Seminarians 2008–2019



Expenses for seminary education are growing faster than the funding sources, due in part to the number of seminarians.

Catholic Charities
Immigration Legal Services - Clients Served



Catholic Charities' Immigration Legal Services (ILS) helps to reunite families by assisting them in navigating the immigration system and advocating on their behalf. The past four years have seen a dramatic increase in the need for such services.

