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## New Office Building

After nearly a year of searching for office space, IPF has found a new location for their home office. Learn about the new building and how it came to be inside on pg 6.



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IPF's new office building at 11626 Nicholas Street in Omaha, Nebraska.

## Our Mission

In collaboration with Catholic seminaries and dioceses, we form seminarians, priests, and bishops in holiness and accompany them in their ongoing spiritual growth, so they can more effectively lead others to Christ.

## Our Vision

We envision a joyful and powerful renewal of holiness across the U.S. Catholic Church as more diocesan seminarians, priests, and bishops seek and commit to a personal, deep, and sustained spiritual communion with the Trinity.

## Our Objectives

1. Live out our beliefs and convictions in everything we do with humility and magnanimity, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, knowing we are nothing without God.
2. Stay focused on why we exist: to serve the spiritual formation needs of diocesan seminarians, priests, bishops, and those involved in priestly formation.
3. Ensure the ongoing excellence of our programs, retreats, publications, and activities by proactively seeking input and information from others.
4. Sustain and grow funding to ensure that IPF continues its mission for generations to come.

# From the IPF Executive Director:

## Hello Friends,

Many blessings have been received, since the last edition, through many people God placed in our midst who support the mission of IPF. In this edition, you will read about our move into a new office space, hear about beloved priests who have gone to the Lord, and learn about the many people who assist IPF in our mission. St. Peter called those whose hearts closely follow the Lord, "living stones". Truly, we have been blessed with many "living stones" who seek to support the work of IPF.

Speaking of stones (and cornerstones), our year-long search for a new office building in Omaha has born great fruit. A providential conversation occurred with members of the IPF Foundation, Finance Council members, and a local realtor. We were advised of a building which had only been on the market for a few hours. After a quick tour of the building, we made an offer which was promptly accepted. Although our offices will no longer be on Creighton's campus, we will still host our summer program at Creighton and are grateful for their many years of support.

Two foundational members in the history of IPF, Fr. George Aschenbrenner and Fr. Pat O'Kane, went to the Lord this year. Both contributed for decades to the care and growth of IPF. Fr. George was one of the founders of IPF, and Fr. Pat was a long-time spiritual director and faculty member. Both are greatly missed.

Fr. Joe Kelly, a bedrock of the IPF family, wrote and published a book of his stories as a parish priest in New York. The book, "On Second Thoughts: A Book of Stories", is profound, humorous, and worth reading. Fr. Joe's 25+ year history with IPF is a common connecting point for many of our faculty, staff and supporters.

One of IPF's gemstones, Linda Antonelli, a long-time staff member, retired in February. Linda's work in both fundraiser and friend-raiser events, as well as her work with donations, has been a major stepping stone in raising awareness of IPF. Her laughter, joy, and genuine care for others will be greatly missed.

The participation of so many people in IPF's history, "living stones" who share their gifts with us, allow IPF's mission to flourish. We pray that God will continue to open our hearts to those who are drawn to participate in IPF's mission of accompanying seminarians and priests in their ongoing spiritual growth and formation.

## With gratitude,



Fr. Brian Welter  
Executive Director of IPF



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## INSTITUTE *for* PRIESTLY FORMATION FOUNDATION



As I complete my second year as President of the IPF Foundation, I realize that I am grateful for so much. We have been blessed to return to the office for in-person collaboration, and all IPF Programs for seminarians, priests, and bishops have resumed. I have witnessed first-hand the impact these programs have on the participants, and the far-reaching impact on the prayer life of the laity they serve.

After 27 years of growing the IPF mission, we are full of deep gratitude for the new building that will house the IPF offices for the Institute and the IPF Foundation in Omaha. We are currently in the process of raising funds, with the help of generous donors, for this much needed space. There will be more information about how you can help coming soon.

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The generosity of people from across the country, declaring their support for IPF, amazed us in 2021. Your contributions to the annual fund, which covers operating costs for IPF programs, allowed us to meet our budget. Your donations to funds within the IPF Foundation and estate gifts continue to secure the future of IPF for years to come. Thank you for your constant patronage which strengthens the goal of IPF's vision: a renewal of holiness across the U.S. Catholic Church as seminarians, priests, and bishops seek and commit to a personal, deep, and sustained spiritual communion with the Trinity.

2-2-2022 was a bittersweet day for all of us at IPF. Linda Antonelli selected that day to retire. We are so happy for Linda and her husband, Vince, as they embark on the next phase of their life together. She will also be greatly missed by all of us. She has

been a great wealth of knowledge to all of us in the Foundation, always helping, giving great advice, praying for special intentions of others, and a great friend to all she met. Linda has already offered to volunteer for some of our events, so we look forward to seeing her in the future. We are so thankful for her service and deep love of Jesus.

At the core of IPF is an awareness of the potential for a deeper spiritual relationship with the Trinity and the unconditional love God has for each of us through prayer. It is a common theme through all IPF programs and retreats. Priests, seminarians, and bishops deepen their relationship with God the Father as beloved sons, and in turn, they are able to share this gift with all those they serve and teach. It has been a powerful gift to become a small part of the mission of IPF. I am so thankful for the deepening of my own prayer life and faith during this past year.

Mary Buttell,  
President of the IPF Foundation



# Into the Life of Glory:

## Fr. George Aschenbrenner, SJ

Fr. George Aschenbrenner, SJ, one of IPF's founders and long-time adjunct staff member, died on November 27, 2021, less than a week after his 89th birthday.

Fr. Aschenbrenner's early mission as a Jesuit focused mainly on guiding the candidates of the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus as their novice master. One of the novices who entered the novitiate in those years was Fr. John Horn, SJ, another one of IPF's founders.

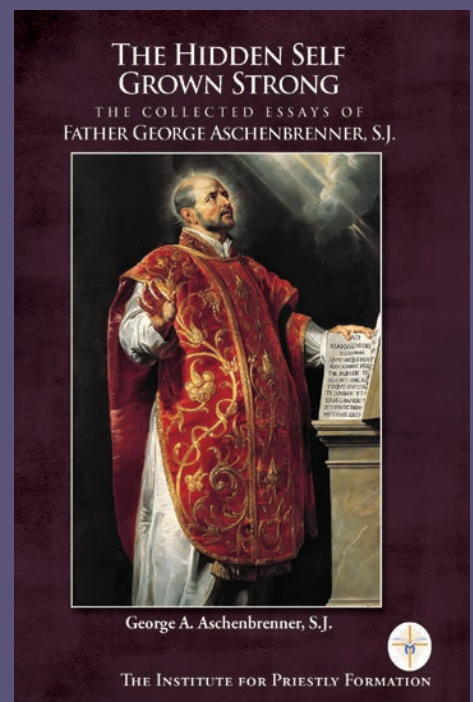
During those years, Fr. Aschenbrenner emerged as a leader in the search to recapture the original spirit and practice of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola. His groundbreaking writing on the "Consciousness Examen" breathed new life into the practice of the daily Examen Prayer, which had always been a vital component in the formation and life of religious women and men.

Providentially, a Jesuit provincial suggested that Fr. Aschenbrenner should turn his attention to also work with diocesan priests. This new focus found him journeying to Rome where he served for a term as Director of Spiritual Formation at the Pontifical North American College, the formation house for United States seminarians studying in Rome. Even after completing his time in Rome, he continued to offer retreats and conferences to priests in many dioceses.

In 1981, while speaking at a meeting of diocesan seminary spiritual directors, Fr. Aschenbrenner spontaneously put together some suggestions for a spiritual formation program that he hoped would impact the hearts and lives of diocesan seminarians. While carefully preserving the unique characteristics of diocesan priestly life and spirituality, as distinguished from that of monastic or religious priests, he called for a "kind of novitiate for diocesan seminarians." About ten years later, in conversation and prayer with the other IPF founders, those suggestions would be developed and realized in what became the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF).

Fr. Aschenbrenner's proposals came to particular fruition in IPF's summer program of spiritual formation for diocesan seminarians. As that program began in 1995, Fr. Aschenbrenner developed his 1981 proposals into a course that he taught for many years in the summer seminarian program. The course eventually blossomed into a book published some years later entitled, *Quickening the Fire in Our Midst: The Challenge of Diocesan Priestly Spirituality*.

We pray together with his Jesuit brothers and all those who were touched by his example and teaching that, having served the "greater glory" of God throughout his life, he may be granted that life of glory for all eternity.





# New Office Building

*Unless the Lord builds the house, in vain do the builders labor. (Psalm 127)*

For most of last year, 2021, we have been searching for new office space in Omaha. This past December, with the help of some benefactors and after taking out a loan, IPF purchased a modest one-story office building in Omaha. We are excited to be moving into our new location in April 2022 (11626 Nicholas Street, Omaha, NE 68154).

The decision that led to this was two-fold: First, our long-term strategic plan had several emphases: relational, programmatic, and structural. We wanted to maintain our presence in Omaha, have more independence over daily operations, and secure space for another full-time priest and additional development staff, as well as meeting/catering space, and a chapel for 35 people.

Secondly, our current office building on Creighton's campus is being repurposed by the University in May. Creighton has been exceptional in giving us office space on campus for decades. Creighton University is a key relationship in the history of IPF's growth and they continue to help in our transition by giving us ample time to find, and move into, our new office.

We will continue to host our summer programs at Creighton. The only difference is that our "home office" will not be on campus, but in the center of Omaha. For most people who know IPF, the change of offices will go unnoticed as all of our programs continue to operate as usual.

Finally, we are grateful to God for bringing together all the people who helped us in this office search.

*Photo above: Rob Zimmerman, Principal at Project Advocates and IPF Board Member, shows the layout and describes the minor upgrades that will be made to the new building to Mary Buttell and Fr. Brian Welter.*

More details on the new IPF home office and further pictures can be seen throughout the magazine.

Living Stones – Building a Foundation for the Future campaign will be launching soon!





IPF New Home Office Floor Plan

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## Morning of Reflection Opportunities

Enrich your Lenten season and join us on Saturday, March 19, 2022, at Christ the King Church in Omaha. We will begin with Mass at 8:15 am, followed by a presentation from Fr. Rich Gabuzda and the IPF staff. The title of Fr. Rich's talk will be, "St. Joseph: Father of the Interior Life."

We look forward to seeing many of our IPF friends in person. To register, go to our website at <https://priestlyformation.org>. There is also more information on our Facebook page.

We have more great news! If you enjoyed Fr. Cadrecha's Advent reflection video, then you will be excited to learn that he will also be presenting a Lenten reflection. It will be available for viewing on our website during Lent. Watch for an email from IPF announcing when the video becomes available.

Allow IPF to help you deepen your relationship with Jesus and walk closer with Him during this Lenten season. Don't miss out on the camaraderie of these special events.

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Several years ago, aware of the need to plan for the future, a group of trusted advisors encouraged the Institute for Priestly Formation leadership to engage in a strategic planning process. Among other program-based suggestions, the planning team recommended, and the Board accepted, a plan for a new home for the IPF office that would reflect the national outreach of the Institute, provide a more collaborative working space for our growing Institute and Foundation staff and give us more visibility and accessibility to our steadfast supporters in Omaha.

Having received the support of extremely generous lead gifts, the Institute is now poised to confidently move ahead with this plan and has purchased a new building in Omaha that will provide for a collaborative and inviting working space for our IPF team and participants. This new office will set us on the path for a strong and vibrant future – a future that depends on your support!





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## Expanding Possibilities

### Preparation for IPF's New Home Office in Omaha

- IPF participated in a year-long strategic study by an outside professional organization to map the future. It was recommended at the time to move off the Creighton Campus to further establish IPF as a national and locally independent organization.
- Creighton University gave notice that the Champion House was in need of repurposing and necessary time was given for IPF to relocate.
- A Building Committee was formed, and a real estate agent was selected. The Building Committee visited multiple properties.
- The Finance Committee conducted a comparison of other non-profits similar in size to IPF. Research was conducted as to IPF's financial sustainability, and the decision to buy, rent, or build a new office was examined.
- A consultation with the IPF Corporate Board took place. They reviewed the research of the Building Committee and gave approval to buy a building.
- The IPF Foundation Board was also consulted and presented with the research. They also gave approval to buy a building.
- A Capital Campaign to raise funds is underway and a loan to buy the building was secured.

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## The Need

For 28 years the Institute for Priestly Formation has been a financially independent 501(c)(3) corporation housed on the Creighton University campus in Omaha, Nebraska. In 2022, we began a new era for IPF with the purchase of a new home office in Omaha. The success of the Living Stones – Building a Foundation for the Future campaign will provide the Institute with the needed support to continue its mission and remain financially sound.

By paying off the cost of the five year building loan, IPF will save approximately \$72,000 in interest the first two years and \$169,200 in interest and principal payments over the following three years. This would be a total savings of \$241,200 over five years.





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## Estimated Costs for New IPF Building

Building Purchase	\$2,100,000
Chapel	\$200,000
Building Finishes	\$304,000
Technology	\$125,000
State-of-the-Art Boardroom	\$75,000
Artwork, Donor Wall, and Building Signage	\$100,000
Furniture & Appliances	\$65,000
Exterior Repair	\$60,000
Grounds & Maintenance	\$300,000
Building Fund	
<b>Total Facilities Costs</b>	<b>\$3,329,000</b>
Moving Costs	\$50,000
Campaign Costs	\$75,000
<b>Total Building Campaign Costs</b>	<b>\$3,454,000</b>
Donations Received	\$1,500,000
<b>Remaining Goal</b>	<b>\$1,954,000</b>

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## Updates to the New Home Office

Purchased in January 2022, the building is located in Omaha's Miracle Hills Office Park and has easy access to the interstate, local parishes, and the city's main thoroughfare, Dodge Street. The 10,000 sq. ft. single-story building is in excellent shape with some modest upgrades:

- Construction of 35-seat small chapel within the building
- State-of-the-art conference room to accommodate communication with board members and faculty nationwide
- Small conference room
- Construction of two new offices for additional full-time staff members
- Technology equipment, network, and software
- Minor cosmetic finishes, paint, new flooring, and LED lighting





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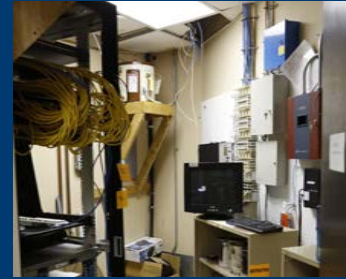
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## Building Rooms

In addition to the updates on pg. 17, the 10,000 sq. ft. building for IPF will include the following:

- Large parking lot
- Lobby area
- Open concept floor plan: 7 open area offices for support staff and 7 enclosed offices
- Workroom for staff
- Small kitchen and breakroom
- Open area to invite people to gather



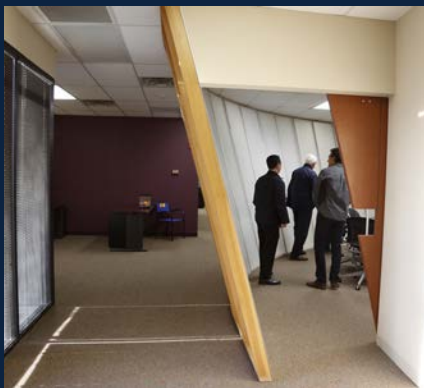


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## A Prayer for Priests

Dear Lord,

We pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5).

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.

May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross.

May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls.

Amen.



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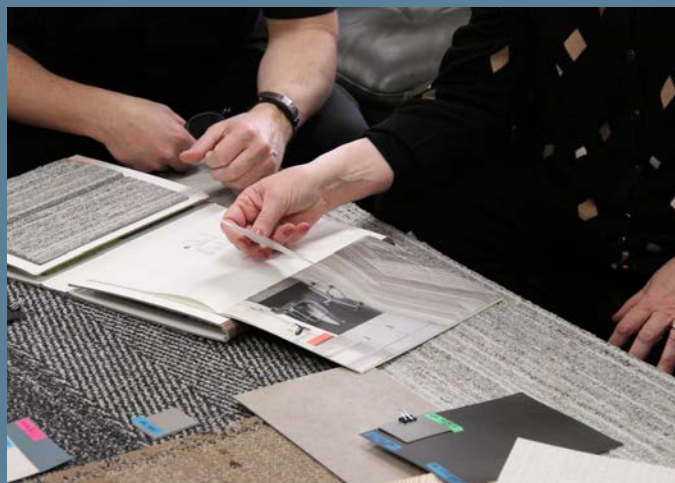
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## Honoring the Memory of a Special Priest

Kate Brennan was never the same after that hot July night in 2008, when she met her IPF "Spiritual Son," Jorge Gomez-Alvarado, a seminarian from the Diocese of Tulsa. Kate had been invited to be part of a new Spiritual Moms program at IPF to pray for a seminarian son during his summer weeks at Creighton. She had been praying for Jorge every day since he came to Omaha.

When Kate arrived at Creighton for Friends Night, an evening when Spiritual Moms meet their spiritual sons for the first time, she talked with Jorge about her sorrow from her mother's death three months earlier. Jorge told Kate that his mother died years ago and he ached that she would not be at his ordination to give him her blessing. A special bond grew between them as they talked about missing their mothers.

At the end of the Friends' Night program, they continued to converse as Jorge walked Kate to her car.

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When they got to the car, Jorge asked Kate to give him her blessing. Kate opened a bottle of Lourdes water she had brought as a gift for Jorge, anointing his head and hands while he knelt and bowed his head. Kate asked Our Lady to embrace Jorge with Her protection and blessings as he continued his journey to ordination and in his future priesthood. The special motherly blessing with the water from Our Lady of Lourdes solidified a bond between Kate and Jorge that continued beyond Friends Night.

Months, later, Kate and Jorge talked by phone. Jorge said he was still using the bottle of water from Lourdes to bless others -- and the bottle remained full. In 2011, Kate learned that Fr. Jorge, the young seminarian she had prayed for and befriended, had been tragically killed in a car accident, just seven weeks after his ordination.

To honor his memory, Kate opened a St. John Paul II Fund for Priests account with the Institute for Priestly Formation in Fr. Jorge's name. Her goal was to fully fund the account honoring Fr. Jorge and IPF. That goal was reached in late 2021 and people from his diocese will receive it posthumously in 2022.

If you would like to honor a priest who has touched your heart in a special way, please consider opening or adding to an IPF St. John Paul II Fund for Priests account in honor or memory of that special priest. For Kate, it was a way to honor the memory of a spiritual son and a blessing from Our Lady on a hot summer night at Creighton in 2008.

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**When:** December 28, 2022 - January 6, 2023

**Where:** Pax Christi Retreat Center, Corpus Christi, TX

Registration opens in Summer 2022

In December 2021, 28 seminarians from 13 Dioceses attended the Pre-Ordination Retreat.



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# Remembering Fr. Patrick O'Kane

October 3, 1949 – January 2, 2022

Fr. Patrick O'Kane, a priest of the Diocese of Sioux City, Iowa, and a long-time adjunct faculty member/spiritual director of the Institute, died on January 2, 2022.

Fr. Pat first came to know about IPF when he was a member of the first group of participants in the Spiritual Direction Training Program. As he completed the program, he was invited to join the staff for the next round and many subsequent rounds.

Among many other pastoral assignments, Fr. Pat was the Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Sioux City for six years. As we began to engage in reviews of the summer program courses, he brought his experience in curriculum review to IPF, teaching us how to evaluate courses and to plan for their improvement and updating.

Fr. Pat served as a spiritual director in the summer seminarian program as well as a classroom instructor for IPF 502. The summer course integrates human and spiritual formation and serves as a way for seminarians to more deeply appreciate the gift of celibacy.

The latter years of Fr. Pat's life were marked by a series of long and difficult health challenges. These challenges necessitated he retire early from active diocesan ministry. As a result, he moved to Omaha to be near his doctors and, despite many difficulties, managed to live a life of great service to people in the Omaha area, as well as continuing to offer spiritual direction in IPF's summer program.

With deep gratitude, we commend Fr. Pat into the hands of Jesus, the Great High Priest, whom he served so generously throughout his many years of priestly life.



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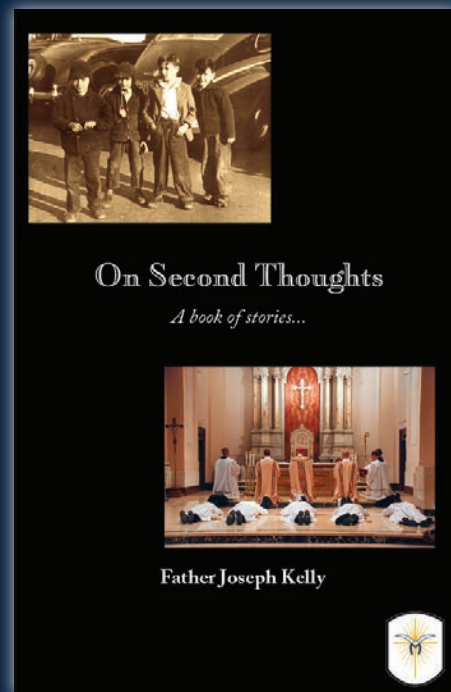
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Craig and Georgia Ford  
Phyllis Harper  
Mark and Lisa Scherer

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Jo Holloway  
Vern and Mary Seier

**Fr. Matthew Hardesty**

Mary and Phyllis Boone

**Fr. Patrick Harrison**

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## A Fond Farewell to Linda Antonelli

On Feb. 2, 2022, Linda Antonelli finished her final day of work in the offices of IPF, saying her good-byes after nearly 15 years of service as she began a new life chapter of retirement. It was a day of laughter, and some tears, as staff members joined together in a celebratory luncheon, sharing fond memories and reminiscing on many of the different events and circumstances that made up the tapestry of Linda's time at IPF.

Back in 2007, Linda began her work in the IPF offices as an assistant for the IPF Foundation. One of her earliest projects was coordinating the Spiritual Moms, inviting women to pray for the seminarians who attended IPF each summer, and organizing a chance for them to meet face-to-face at Friends Night. Linda often heard stories of great joy and blessings from the women who participated and took delight in the fruits which came from this prayer apostolate.

Linda also helped coordinate many IPF events including: annual mornings of reflection; an annual

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## A Fond Farewell to Linda Antonelli (continued)

banquet for IPF, known as the "Celebration of Priesthood"; and several summer events such as the annual presentation of the "Our Lady of Guadalupe" medallion or inviting out-of-town supporters to visit IPF during "A Reason for Your Hope" events. At every event, Linda was there with a welcoming smile and a helpful disposition.

When not working on events, Linda spent much of her time processing donations sent to IPF. She worked diligently to make sure everything was recorded correctly and sent out letters of gratitude to those who gifted IPF their financial support.

No matter the challenge, Linda welcomed the chance to learn something new, to offer a helping hand to those around her, and to deepen her faith. Her care for her work, smiling face, and joyful spirit will be deeply missed. We wish her the best of luck in retirement, especially as she enjoys more time with her husband, children, and grandchildren.

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Rev. David Korth  
Msgr. Michael Muhr

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William Hower

### Fr. Michael Kloton

Daniel Kopczynskie

### Fr. Marcus Knecht

Louis and Kathy D'Ercole  
Tom and Sue Korgie

### Fr. Rod Kneifl

Mike and Kristi Rooney

### Fr. Neil Kookoothe

Cynthia Farkas

### Fr. Owen Korte

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### Fr. David Korth

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### Fr. Robert Kroll, S.J.

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### Fr. Arun Lakra

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### Fr. Lydell Lape

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### Fr. Ryan Lewis

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Tim Huffman

### Fr. Marc Lim

Anonymous

### Fr. Craig Loecker

Anonymous  
William and Lesa Lindsay

### Fr. Jeff Lorig

Edmund Galas  
William Hower

### Fr. Jeffrey Loseke

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Joanne Hazell  
Mary Morrison  
Robert Reed  
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Cece Smith  
Boyd and Kathy West

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Kathleen Smithberg

**Fr. Andrzej Szczesnowicz**

Patrick and Christine Baldwin

**Fr. Joseph Taphorn**

Anonymous

**Joan Taphorn**

Rev. Joseph Taphorn

**Will Targy**

Ellen Gow

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Alice Ryan

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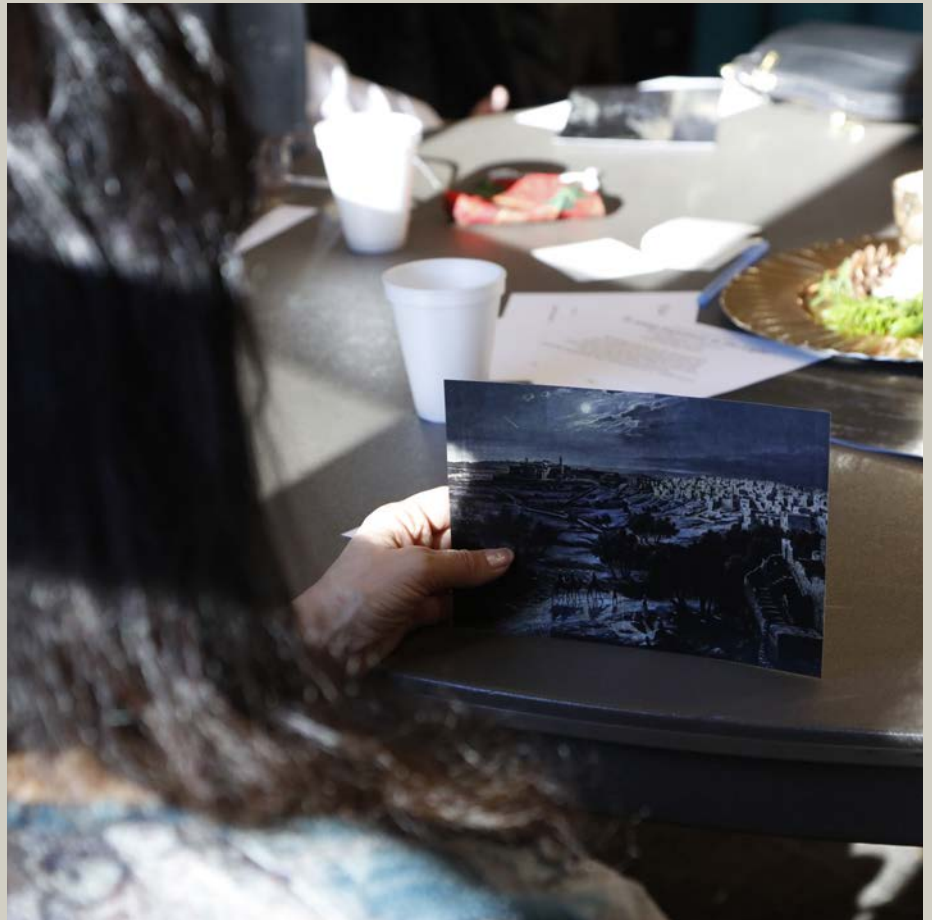
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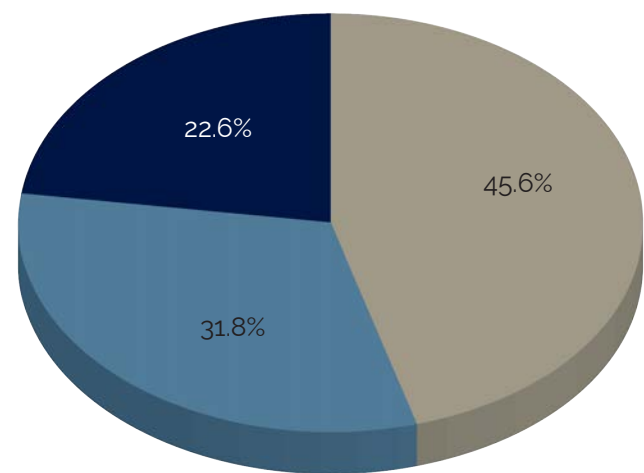




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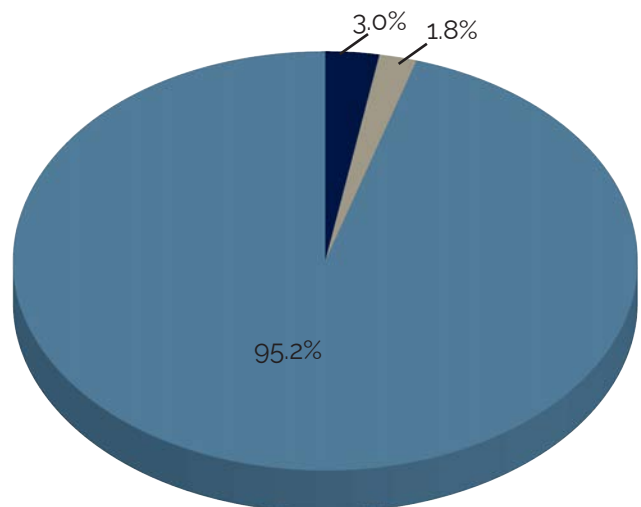


2021 IPF Foundation Revenues



Investment Income	\$408,527.00
Support from IPF	\$284,366.00
Contributions	\$202,354.00
	<b>\$895,248.00</b>

2021 IPF Foundation Expenses



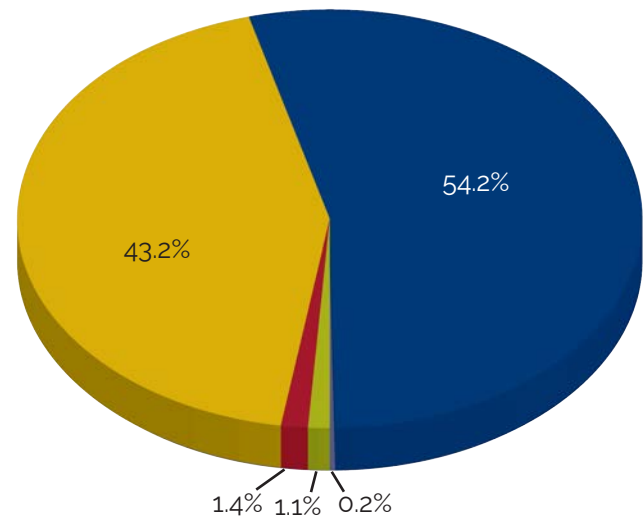
General and Administrative	\$11,215.00
Support to IPF	\$6,762.00
Fundraising	\$357,817.00
	<b>\$375,793.00</b>

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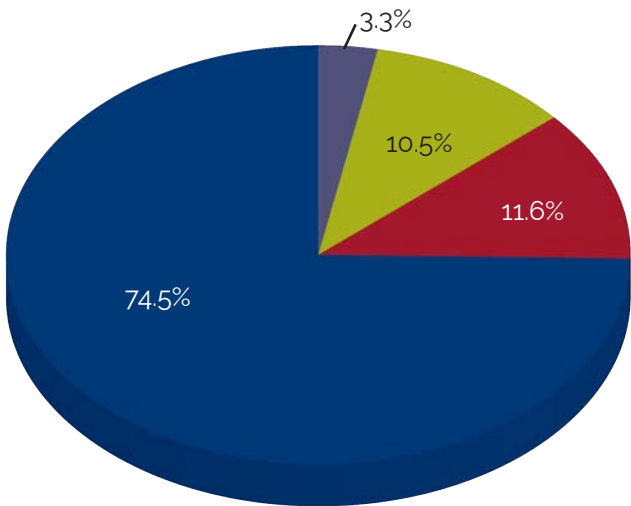


# 2021 IPF Revenues



Contributions	\$2,374,910.11
Program Fees, Tuition, Room & Board	\$1,894,040.50
Investment Income	\$6,902.81
Other Auxiliary Income	\$48,263.16
Grants	\$60,000.00
	<b>\$4,384,116.58</b>

# 2021 IPF Expenses



Program Expenses	\$2,009,217.45
Fundraising	\$88,956.24
Support to IPF Foundation	\$284,366.00
General and Administrative	\$313,059.99
	<b>\$2,695,599.68</b>

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## Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ▶ March 19, 2022  
**IPF Morning of Reflection**  
Christ the King Parish  
Omaha, NE
- ▶ April 1, 2022  
**Moving Day!**  
Omaha, NE
- ▶ April 21, 2022  
**IPF Presents: Forming Priests to Help Others in Prayer**  
Online
- ▶ April 24 - 29, 2022  
**Spiritual Direction Training Program, Sec. A**  
Mundelein Seminary, Illinois
- ▶ May 8 - 13, 2022  
**Spiritual Direction Training Program, Sec. B**  
Mundelein Seminary, Illinois
- ▶ May 18, 2022  
**Joy of Giving Day**  
Archdiocese of Omaha, NE
- ▶ May 29 - July 30, 2022  
**IPF Summer Program for Spiritual Formation of Diocesan Seminarians**  
Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska