



FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

Dear Friend in Christ,

Do you remember your first traditional Latin Mass?

Can you still smell the incense and beeswax candles? Hear the heavenly sound of Gregorian chant? Picture the boys reverently serving at the altar in their cassocks?

All of these things made the Mass more beautiful. But that Mass wouldn't have been possible without one person: the priest.

For many years, it was difficult to find priests who would and could celebrate the traditional Mass. But your fervent prayers and sacrifices have helped turn the tide! **Traditional vocations are booming.** And amidst the controversy and confusion of our day, more and more faithful Catholics are embracing the certainty and clarity of Tradition.

For nearly 30 years, the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP) has worked to provide priests for the Catholic faithful who want to live a spiritual life immersed in the traditional Latin Mass.

I'm happy to report that the FSSP now has **104 priests** working in **47 dioceses** across North America. I'm equally delighted to tell you that our **North American seminary** outside Lincoln, Nebraska is **filled nearly to capacity!**

But the demand for FSSP priests continues to increase – and seminary formation costs us \$30,000 per man each year! **That's why I'm writing to ask for your prayers and generous support.**

Why are FSSP priests in such demand across North America?

Faithful Catholics everywhere want more than just greater access to the Latin Mass. In our troubled world, they crave sound teaching, firm but loving guidance, and the inspiration they need to become saints!

To meet these needs, we know we must form our priests to be extraordinary men of God.

With St. Thomas as our guide, and under the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we believe God will continue to bless our efforts. But He has left the finances to me—and to you!



OUR MISSION

*Using the ancient liturgy as our wellspring, we form our priests in the traditions of the Church so that they may bring the **fullness of Christ** into the emptiness of the world.*

Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary provides a formation founded upon the sound teachings, principles, and method of **St. Thomas Aquinas**, the Angelic Doctor of the Church.

We can't form traditional priests without your help.

It costs **\$30,000 per year** to form each seminarian – but because the men are completely focused on their formation and studies, they have no way of earning an income. Thus, each man and his family can typically only afford to contribute about \$2,500 per year towards tuition and living expenses.



With 82 seminarians currently in formation, we now face a major financial challenge!

But we believe that just as God has been generous in sending us vocations, He will be generous in sending us friends who will make sacrificial donations towards the formation of priests.

Our challenge is significant – but not insurmountable. If everyone reading this letter pledged just \$10 per month to our Seminary Appeal we would meet our fundraising goal.

Of course, you and I both know that some people will be unable to make a contribution this year – and others will simply forget. Could you pledge **\$20 per month** to help make up any shortfall?

Each year, we've been blessed with friends who've pledged **\$50 or \$100 per month** – a truly heroic effort to expand the traditional priesthood. Has God blessed you with the means to make this kind of sacrifice?

If you would rather send a one-time gift, we would gratefully welcome that. **We are hoping that some of our friends will be able to send \$2,500** – which would cover a whole month of formation for one seminarian – but we are also much in need of \$1,000, \$500, \$100, and smaller gifts.

My friend, I share your desire to see the traditional Latin Mass restored to our altars, and to hear the traditional faith taught in our parishes. Every dollar you pledge to our Annual Fund Drive lowers the cost of running our seminary and **enables the FSSP to continue growing!** Please send your gift today so that we can continue to bring Christ to a world that needs Him more than ever. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely in Our Lord, Our Lady, and St. Peter,

Fr. Gerard Saguto, FSSP
District Superior, North America



WHERE WILL YOUR NEXT PRIEST COME FROM?

All across America, there's a growing demand for the beauty, splendor, and dignity of the traditional Latin Mass. The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter is helping to meet this demand by producing holy, well-formed priests at our North American seminary near Lincoln, Nebraska. But we can't continue this work without your assistance.



Please consider pledging at one of the following gift levels – and accept our tokens of gratitude:

- ✓ **Guardian (\$7,500 per year):** You will receive all of the below benefits as well as an FSSP Rosary. Crafted from heavy, polished stone with a silver crucifix, this beautiful Rosary was designed by the FSSP and assembled by traditional Carmelite nuns.
- ✓ **Patron (\$250 per month/\$3,000 per year):** You will receive all of the below benefits as well as a Vade Mecum—a hardbound Latin/English prayer book similar to the ones used by our seminarians.
- ✓ **Benefactor (\$100 per month/\$1,200 per year):** You will receive all of the below benefits as well as a framed Certificate of Giving.
- ✓ **Sponsor (\$50 per month/\$600 per year):** You will receive Friend-level benefits as well as a copy of the FSSP liturgical calendar.
- ✓ **Friend (\$20 per month/\$240 per year):** You will be enrolled in our Seminarian Membership Book.

Thank you for remembering the FSSP in your monthly giving and daily prayers! Know that we remember our benefactors in every Mass celebrated at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary.



PLEASE HELP US FORM TRADITIONAL PRIESTS!

Where your treasure-house is, there your heart is too. (Matt 6:21)

Your tax-deductible donation goes entirely towards supporting Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary.

It's easy to make an automatic monthly pledge of any size! See the insert for details.

For Online Donations see www.fssp.com/support.

Don't forget the tax benefits afforded to Planned Gifts by the IRS Code.

Planned Gifts are useful in helping make a more substantial gift, while addressing your own particular financial needs. At the same time, they provide especially meaningful gifts to our Fraternity and ensure the future of our traditional priesthood.

For Planned Gifts, including Charitable Remainder Trusts, Gift Annuities and Charitable IRAs, contact Joe Gardner at (570) 842-4000 ext. 150 or jgardner@fssp.com.

