

St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Parish
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Dear Benefactor,

19 November 2021

Re: Piarist Fathers Seminary Fund – Update

For the last fourteen years many of you, in a very generous way, have supported the Piarist Fathers Seminary Fund in Poland for Eastern Europe, Asia, South America and Africa. Two generations of priests from 2006-2012 and 2012 – 2018 received your kind support. In total 16 priests were beneficiaries of your donations. On behalf on myself and the Piarist Fathers Community in Poland we thank you and assure you that you have been in our prayers.

As you well know, I was supposed to retire in August 2019 and spend more time with my community, but I was asked to continue to work in the Archdiocese of Edmonton for the next 5 years. This was very unexpected for me, but I am honoured to serve the will of God and stay active in ministry.

Due to this, my religious community is still looking to me to make an effort every year and seek financial support among parishioners and friends for the seminarians. If you have a desire and means to do so, your donations would be greatly appreciated.

Two years ago, on December 5th, 2019, I was informed by the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton, that the Canada Revenue Agency changed their policy with regard to charitable donation receipts. Please see enclosed new Revenue Canada policy (intent of policy). So, because the Piarist Fathers do not have status as a Canadian registered charity, I am not allowed to issue a tax receipt for your donation. It is a great disadvantage for many charitable projects outside Canada.

Despite this policy, our benefactors are still able to make donations to: Piarist Fathers Sch.P. Box 216, Onoway, Alberta, T0E 1V0. All funds will be deposited to the Piarist Fathers account at Toronto Dominion Bank of Canada and forwarded to

the Piarist Fathers bank account PKO Polish Bank in Krakow, Poland. All benefactors will receive a letter of acknowledgment only.

Our seminary is located in Krakow, Poland. In the upcoming new school year 2021/2022 we expect 25 seminarians. Each seminarian requires approximately \$250.00 per month for such expenditures as food, clothing, registration fees and bus passes. Although each of the seminarians receive approximately \$150.00 per month from working with Parish Priests during the summer time, the remaining \$100.00 per month for each seminarian must be raised elsewhere from donors/benefactors. I am the only priest from my Polish Piarist Fathers Community in North America.

I look forward to raise funds for our seminarians for this ongoing school year.

If you, your organization, or your friends would like to support, or share the support, of one or more seminarians, or make any affordable donation, I will be very grateful.

Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless you always.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Andrew S. Rybak, Sch.P.
THE PIARIST FATHERS