

THE CROZIER SOCIETY

Celebrating 23 Years of Support for Seminarians

“Our seminarians are not only growing in knowledge but in holiness, rooted in Christ.”

—Father Justin Ryan, Director of Vocations



Stephen Brashner

Founded in 2003 under Archbishop Alexander J. Brunett's leadership, the Crozier Society is the largest local Catholic social group in the Archdiocese of Seattle dedicated to seminarians, which has grown into a vibrant community of faith, fellowship, and formation. Through spiritual and financial support, members accompany seminarians as they discern God's call to the priesthood.

For 23 years, Crozier Society members have faithfully supported men discerning the priesthood. Their commitment ensures that seminarians receive the formation needed to effectively serve the Church in Western Washington with faith and holiness.

This impact report highlights the legacy of the Crozier Society since 2003, celebrating key accomplishments from the most recent fiscal year and offering a glimpse of what lies ahead.

IMPACT REPORT

Nearly \$8 million raised since 2003 to support priestly formation

- 3,100+ golfers and 1,000 sponsors have participated in the annual golf tournament
- 65+ priests have received formation support

MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS \$4M

GOLF TOURNAMENT PROCEEDS \$3.85M

Most Recent Fiscal Year

From July 2025 to June 2026

- **\$341,752 raised** through membership fees and the 2025 golf tournament.
- **90% of membership fees** contribute directly to the seminarian education fund.
- **24 new members** joined the Crozier Society for a total of **169 active members**.
- **The annual cost** of each seminarian's priestly formation (including tuition, housing, formation, and more) **is about \$62,000**.
- **7 new seminarians** entered formation on July 6, 2026, bringing the total number for the 2026–2027 academic year to 23 seminarians.

Looking Ahead

Seminarian formation is growing, and momentum continues to build:

- **1 ordination** to the priesthood **in 2026**, with **5 anticipated for 2027**.
- **On August 4, 2026**, the second annual **Seminarian Giving Day** raised **\$255,835**, along with a matching gift, to support the education and formation of seminarians.

Additional Sources of Seminarian Support

In addition to the Crozier Society's efforts, seminarians benefit from other sources of funding:

DONATIONS

Since 2003, gifts from across the archdiocese have contributed **\$5.4 million** in support, including individual, planned, corporate, and matching gifts.

ENDOWMENTS

Since 1975, three endowment funds have been established, providing **\$14.2 million** in long-term financial resources for seminarians. Among them is the Kaifer Seminarian Endowment Fund, established by Crozier Society members **Joyce and Bernard Kaifer**.

“We, as seminarians, are so blessed and grateful to have the support of the Crozier Society, which makes it possible for us to attend the seminary...”

— Evan MacKenzie, current seminarian

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