

## What We Do

We assist you in fulfilling your desire to give to the Catholic causes that reflect your personal faith and values.

As a donor, you may elect to provide unrestricted or restricted funds, or both. You may assign your gift to your own parish for its use in any manner you specify. You may also designate your donation to a specific program or organization in the Diocese, or simply designate it to be used to provide the greatest good to the greatest number. The Foundation will work with you to clearly define your wishes and to establish a program that will utilize your gift exactly as you desire. We help you leave a lasting legacy of your faith to the parishes, schools and organizations that have been most meaningful in your life. Establishing an endowment is that simple. There are a number of ways you can establish an endowment through The Foundation.

## How We Do It

We provide options to fit your giving objectives. We will be able to provide important information about the planning options available to you. We have materials that should answer your questions and we can direct you to other resources that can help you make the most appropriate decision.

**Wills and Bequests** – the most popular tool which names a specified amount or percentage from your estate to permanently benefit your favorite program of the Diocese.

**Gift Annuities** – you receive an annual lifetime income in exchange for a cash gift or securities. This tool may reduce capital gains taxes and even provide tax-free return of the principal.

**Life Insurance** – you direct the proceeds, cash value of policy or any portion of it, to benefit any diocesan program or institution for either restricted or unrestricted purposes.

**Real Estate** - with investments down and real estate values rising, an opportunity to use your home, raw land or even a vacation property that has appreciated in value can be given without incurring tax on the appreciation.

**Charitable Remainder Trust** – you fund the trust and then direct its proceeds or a fixed percentage to support various efforts through The Foundation. This tool may reduce both capital gains and income taxes.

**Endowment Fund** – you provide a perpetual source of revenue for the Diocese, your parish, school or other Catholic organizations or ministries that are meaningful to you. The principal of your gift remains and continues to grow.

*God has sent all of us as  
carpenters to build bridges  
between each others hearts.*

## **For More Information**

You can visit us on the web:  
[www.dioogdensburg.org/foundation](http://www.dioogdensburg.org/foundation)  
Call us at 315.393.2920

Detach this card and mail it to us at  
PO Box 369, Ogdensburg, NY 13669

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- Please contact me by phone.
- Send more information on remembering the Church in my will.
- Send more information about how to set up a named family endowment fund.
- Send more information on how to make a gift with life income.

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**The mission of The Foundation is to pass our living faith to future generations by financially supporting the charitable, spiritual, educational and temporal works of the Catholic Community of the Diocese of Ogdensburg and by accepting donations or endowment funds from donors and by administering these funds.**

### *Who We Are*

The Foundation is a nonprofit corporation intended to be a permanent source of funds supporting the religious, educational and social service activities and ministries in the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

Through wise stewardship and thoughtful sharing of their resources, we work with donors from all walks of life who want to share their blessings and make a lasting difference to the causes that are meaningful to them. Parishes, schools, agencies and programs in our Diocese will benefit from these blessings each year in the form of interest from these gifts.

The Foundation allocates funding support in accordance with the specific directives and restrictions designated by our donors. These are reflections of their personal wishes and will be honored forever. The Foundation also utilizes its unrestricted gifts to provide support for a variety of program needs of our Diocese.

### *How You Can Help*

You can positively impact the future with your gifts. You can accomplish more than you ever thought possible with the wise and thoughtful sharing of the blessings God has entrusted to you.

The Foundation exists to serve you and to help you establish a legacy of your faith so you can say -

***Today I found a special bridge!***

For further information contact:

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Dear Friends,

In spite of the many uncertainties of life on this earth, we embark upon our journey into the future with confident hope and real excitement. As a family of faith, the people of the Diocese of Ogdensburg generously support one another from one generation to the next. In March 2007, the people of the North Country were offered a powerful means of “*Building a Bridge for the Future*” in the Church’s mission when *The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg, NY, Inc.* was incorporated. As a publicly supported charitable organization, legally separate from the Diocese of Ogdensburg, its mission is to financially assist the spiritual, educational and social needs of our Diocese.

As sisters and brothers who are faithful to God and our Church, each of us is called to respond to the needs of our neighbors, witnessing to love in action. I invite each of you to share your blessings to help others and pass our cherished faith on to future generations. You and I are the only ones who can do this. The Foundation offers such a way.

Due to the extraordinary generosity of the people of the North Country, the Foundation continues to grow. This is a testament to the many donors who have established

endowments. Future generations will look back with much gratitude, as we reflect on the generosity of our ancestors who built the churches in which we worship and the schools where our children and grandchildren are educated. Our children’s children, down through future generations will be appreciative of the foresight of today’s generous benefactors of The Foundation.

I am grateful to all those individuals, living and deceased, who have established endowments in The Foundation to support the work of the Church. I am also most appreciative of those pastors who have established endowments to benefit their respective parishes and schools.

It is with great hope that I look ahead to the future aware of the impact that will come from funds administered by The Foundation. I pray that after you have reviewed this brochure, you, too, will want to be part of “*Building a Bridge for the Future*” in the Diocese of Ogdensburg and the North Country. As your new Bishop, I look forward to our common journey to the Father, united by strong faith and determination to follow Jesus as sisters and brothers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley  
Bishop of Ogdensburg