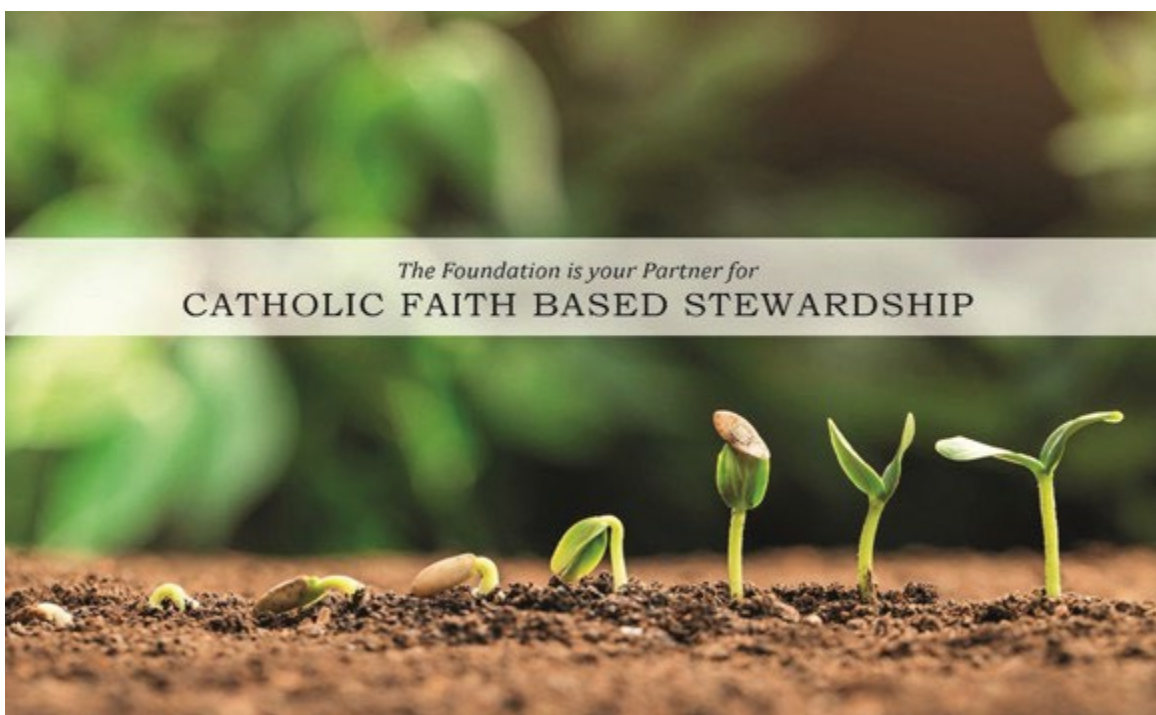


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## TOGETHER IN FAITH

I enjoyed a podcast all about preserving family harmony through thoughtful estate planning and knew I needed to share it. It's the Money Mindset Mastery podcast hosted by Jim Lao and Ryan Genoe. Their take on this particular topic shared a couple's journey focused on a personalized plan that protects assets but also strengthens family relationships.

[Listen Here](#)

My biggest takeaway is that planning for the future **should be about evaluating your values and relationship bonding within your family units.** We hope you will join us throughout the Diocese for estate planning seminars. Don't see your parish?

Contact us and we will work with them communicating the desire from parishioners to host.

Recently, I was on a parish visit in Williamston, North Carolina about 80 miles from Raleigh. Farm country. Tucked near the middle of routes 17 and 64. Population 5202. Fr. Vijaya Katta, a young priest, originally from India, assigned to Holy Trinity Catholic church. On Wednesday's he has 30 parishioners attending daily Mass and Adoration.

This is our Diocese. If you live in Raleigh, it's easy to think of only large parishes with lots of resources. Bishop Luis continues to prioritize taking the Eucharist to all places in eastern North Carolina.

I'm reminded of the necessity to share the stories of need for us faithful Catholics in our Diocese to take inspired action. This is why I am choosing to share about Home Mission and seeking your support.

Sincerely,

*Dawn M. Stark*

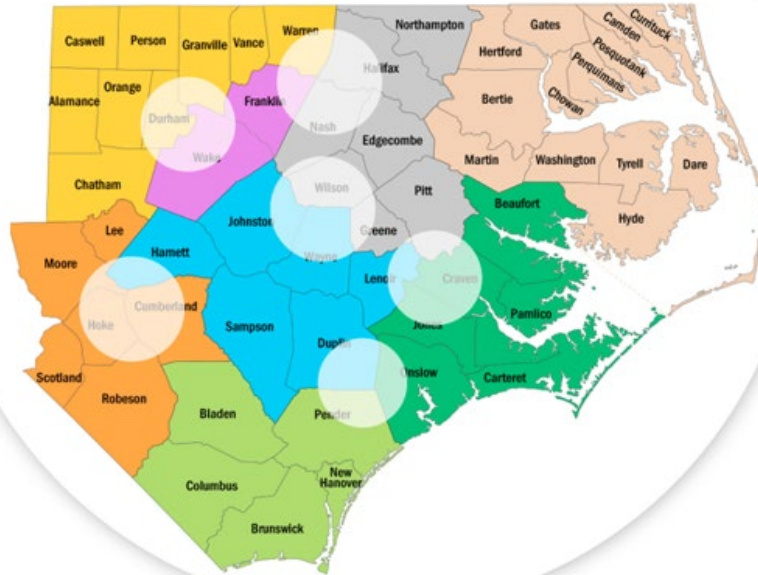
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## **Home Mission**

Mission parishes in rural, eastern North Carolina look to the diocese for support as they are launching their ministry from grass roots to vibrancy. The need is vast for areas within our diocese where a minimal Catholic presence is currently in existence. Bishop Luis has a strong desire to ensure the Eucharist is available in all parts of our diocese. This starts with a vision and a willingness to begin a faithful Catholic community. We currently have 13 active mission parishes. Their need for resources continues to grow and the desire for investment is imperative. This program offers a diocesan grant to assist small parishes with the construction and furnishing of churches and chapels within the Diocese of Raleigh. Special emphasis is placed on building churches and chapels in areas where parishioners are not presently able, because of economic circumstances, to fully fund the construction of sacred worship space in the traditional manner of capital campaigns, loans, and parish savings.

The need is great  
to support newly established  
communities of faith  
across our growing Diocese



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### New Endowment Established

Thank you to Dr. Christopher and Mrs. Sandra Coughlin for establishing the **Next Generation Coughlin Education Endowment fund** directly supporting Cathedral School for educational initiatives and enhanced learning and academic support for students. Coughlin's grandson attends Cathedral School, and they are thrilled for this gift that will provide lasting support.



“Thank you to the Coughlin family for planting the seed for our school community to grow and prosper for future educational endeavors.” Graham Witherspoon

**We appreciate the opportunity to work with donors on their passions to support entities throughout the Diocese in perpetuity.**

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### **Save the Date**

#### ***Wine & Wills: Estate Planning Seminars***

Please join us for our Wine & Wills events hosted by The Foundation where you begin thinking about life planning that may need to occur related to medical healthcare directives and estate plans, including plans for your children if an unforeseen circumstance were to occur. The seminar will be led by a local Estate Planning Attorney, providing an excellent opportunity for parishioners and all to learn more about creating or revising a will. Topics include legal steps required in personal planning, understanding wills and trust, Power of Attorney, and other important information.

#### **Upcoming seminars:**

- October 4<sup>th</sup>- St. Ann's in Clayton
- October 23<sup>rd</sup>- Immaculate Conception in Durham

## Meet the newest Saints

We joyfully celebrate the canonization of two inspiring young witnesses of faith: **Pier Giorgio Frassati** and **Carlo Acutis**. They both lived their lives marked by a deep love for Christ and a passionate care for others—Pier Giorgio Frassati through his service to the poor and his adventurous spirit, and Carlo Acutis through his devotion to the Eucharist and creative use of technology to share the Gospel. Their lives remind us that holiness is possible at every age and in every walk of life.

These two remarkable individuals were canonized on September 7<sup>th</sup> by Pope Leo XIV.

You can read more [here](#).



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