

# CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF EAST TENNESSEE

*Building God's Kingdom one church and one priest at a time...*

May 2010

**One property...a church...a faith home...a worship community.**

**One man... a vocation... an education...a priest.**

***June 5, 2010***

*10:00 a.m.*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church*

*Chattanooga*

*Douglas Owen*

*Transitional Diaconate Ordination*



***“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Matthew 4:19***

## **CFET's History – Rich in Faith and Vision**

Jesus told stories to teach and to give examples of how we are each called to live. CFET stories are rich with history about East Tennessee people and their faith. The stories tell about serving needs, enabling the development of worship communities, ministry services, and of reaching out in care and generosity to unknown others. Foundation stories begin with a perceived need, move to providing enabling support, and continue in celebrating the development of properties and educations of men for the priesthood. All are stories of discipleship.

Most of us go about our daily activities without giving much thought to parcels of land becoming sites for new worship communities to build a church. Thankfully, there are some in our diocese who constantly view properties with a consideration of their potential in meeting needs of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Knoxville. Gratefully, members and benefactors of the Catholic Foundation of East Tennessee embrace a vision of faith and future in a special way, by focusing on a mission of building church through contributions for both property purchases and seminarian education.

Through the years priests and faithful Catholics have traveled over mountains on long and winding roads, crossing county lines, through all kinds of weather, changing time zones and more to celebrate and share worship together. There are still counties in our diocese without a church. Some of our diocesan priests continue to serve several parishes in celebrating the Eucharist and in ministering to the people.

Since its establishment in 1989, Catholic Foundation of East Tennessee members and benefactors have contributed more than \$2,028,900.00 to purchase parish properties and \$317,500.00 to subsidize seminarian educations. Distributions are made annually to both mission ministries.

# *Sing, Sing a Song..*

**Age to Age** - people leave a legacy from one generation to another. CFET's legacy is one of faith and vision.

**Christians, Let Us Love One Another** - by helping to build God's Kingdom in East Tennessee.

**In the Land There is a Hunger** - for places to gather, worship and serve ... "faith homes".

**Here I Am Lord** - men answer God's call to a vocation.

**Look Beyond** - the work of CFET is never done as there are more vocations to be answered and developed, more properties to be purchased, and more parishes to be established as worship communities for the honor and glory of God.

**Let Heaven Rejoice** - with the growth and development accomplished through CFET's mission and ministry of support.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

*Catholic Foundation of East Tennessee Dinner*

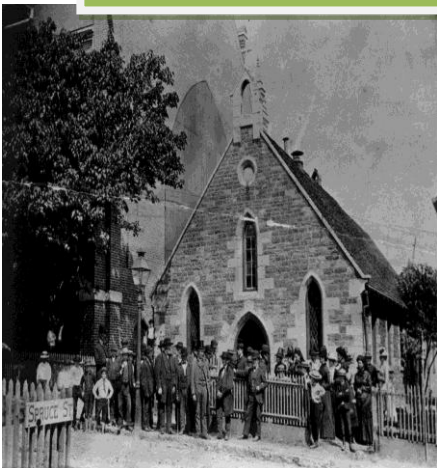
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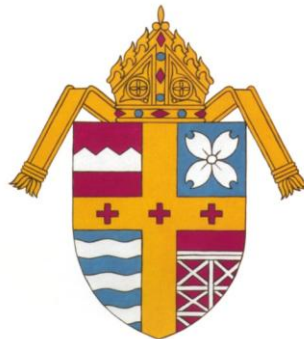
### **CFET Director's Note**

It has been a true pleasure to both meet and get to know many of the Foundation members and benefactors over the years. Each person inspires me with his/her faith, hope for our diocese, and consideration of others. God bless you all.

Suzanne Erpenbach



Old Immaculate Conception Church  
Knoxville



New Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Church, LaFollette

***Thank you for supporting the Catholic Foundation of East Tennessee!***