



BACK TO SEMINARY LIFE & FORMATION

No sooner had the seminarians returned from Christmas break before they were off again to continue their formation. Divided into three groups by class, they began the new year in prayer and discernment by attending retreats. [See photos below for more details.]

Upon returning from their various retreats, the seminarians began an intensive 11-day program of formation with special attention given to building community. This program, which continues through January 22, includes learning visits to the Holocaust Museum and to Catholic Charities, celebrating Mass with Holy Cross parish, additional time for personal prayer, workshops on the emotions and on vocational discernment, a mini-course in liturgical theology, participation in the Diocesan Pro-Life Mass and marching in the rally, and community-building activities such as the HTS Olympics, movie night, trivia night, and supper out as classes.

The seminarians will begin their academic schedules on Wednesday, January 23, when classes resume at the University of Dallas.

To see more photos of the seminarians' recent retreats and to keep up with them throughout the year, visit their [Facebook](#) page.

FRESHMAN RETREAT

The freshmen seminarians gathered at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton, Texas from January 7 - 11 to kick-off their spring semester. The 4-day retreat was led by Fr. Stephen Sanchez, OCD with Fr. Tony Lackland as the on-site HTS formator.





SOPHOMORE & JUNIOR RETREAT

Led by Fr. Thomas Esposito, O.Cist., the sophomore and junior seminarians gathered for a retreat at Subiaco Benedictine Abbey in Subiaco, Arkansas. Fr. Kevin Wilwert served as their on-site HTS formator.



SENIOR & PRE-THEOLOGIAN RETREAT

The seniors and pre-theologians traveled to San Angelo for their retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center. Fr. Edward Bentley, L.C. directed the retreat and Fr. Zach Webb served as the HTS on-site formator.

Each seminarian was assigned to and met with a spiritual director daily. In addition to Fr. Bentley, the following priests were onsite to provide spiritual direction: Fr. Keith Koehl, Diocese of Austin and former Vice Rector of HTS; Fr. Jesudoss Thomas, Diocese of Tyler and current Resident Spiritual Director at HTS; and Fr. Owen Kearns, L.C.



THE CFSC IS NEARING COMPLETION!

With grateful hearts, we are excited to announce that construction of the Cardinal Farrell Student Center is almost complete! Finishing touches are being made to this 23,000 square foot addition that includes a gym and fitness center; a lounge, kitchen, recreation and media rooms; and much-needed classrooms.

While funding for the construction of the building has been secured through the *Our Faith...Our Future* Diocese of Dallas Capital Campaign as well as some very generous major donors, we are seeking additional donors to help us fund items such as kitchen and dining supplies, religious art and statuary, landscaping, outdoor furniture and various other furnishings needed to make the seminarians feel at home in this new space.

Please [click here](#) to make a secure online donation toward this cause. If you are interested in funding a larger project for the CFSC, please contact Sylvia Najera at (972) 815-2422 or snajera@holyltrinityseminary.org.

We look forward to inviting everyone to an Open House sometime this spring.

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Please join us in welcoming the seminarians back for the spring semester by celebrating Mass with us on Sunday, January 27th. A reception with the seminarians will follow. A full Mass schedule can be found on our [website](#).



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