

THE HOPE OF THE FLOCK

The last couple of weeks at Holy Trinity Seminary have been busy as 22 new seminarians and 43 returning seminarians settled in for a year of priestly formation. The men represent 14 different dioceses: Dallas - 18; Austin - 9; Charleston - 3; Corpus Christi - 2; El Paso - 2; Galveston-Houston - 5; Jefferson City - 3; Knoxville - 3; Memphis - 5; Nashville - 8; Tulsa - 1; Tyler - 2; Victoria - 2; and Wichita - 2. Please keep all of our seminarians in your prayers!

To see photos of how the seminarians bonded during Orientation on and off-campus, please visit their [Facebook](#) page.



+ THANK YOU +

WELCOME BASKETS PROJECT

The seminarians extend a huge THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the Welcome Baskets Project, coordinated by the Trinitarian Auxiliary. Thanks to everyone's generosity, each seminarian was welcomed back with a gift card, thank you note cards and postage stamps, socks, an umbrella and a hanging garment bag to start off the new school year.

Funds raised through the Welcome Baskets Project are used by the Trinitarian Auxiliary throughout the year to support the seminarians. [You can support this project by clicking here.](#)

If you are interested in finding out more about the Trinitarian Auxiliary and how you can join them in supporting the seminarians year-round, [click here.](#)



ALUMNI CORNER



JUSTIN DAMASK

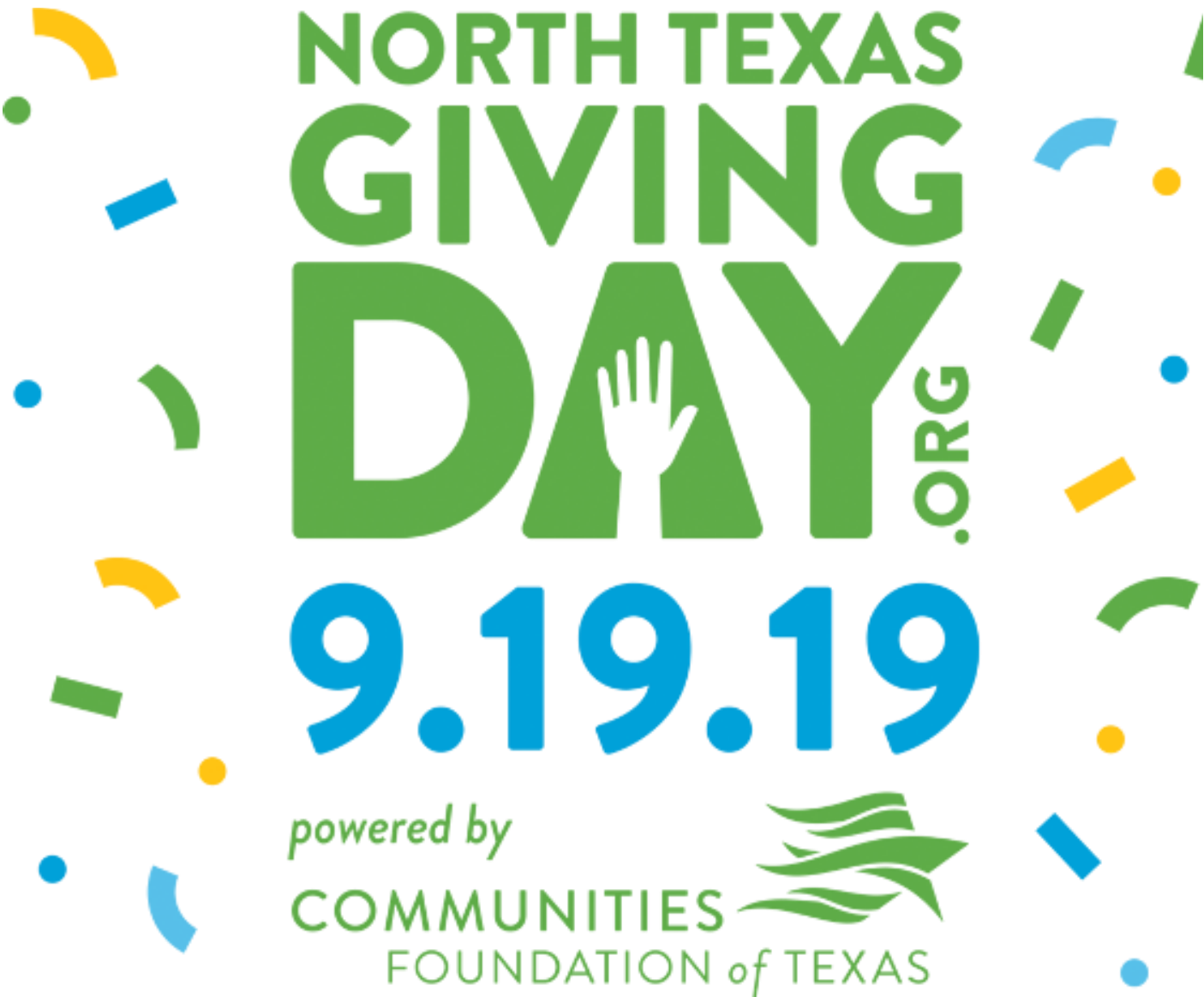
Justin, a seminarian for the Diocese of Charleston and an alumnus of Holy Trinity Seminary, finished his first year of the Basselin program at Theological College in Washington, D.C. He is pictured with Tom Parker, a parishioner he met during his summer assignment at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in North Augusta, South Carolina. Mr. Parker attended Holy Trinity Seminary for three years and graduated from the University of Dallas in 1971. Small world!




RAYMOND PENDLETON AND ISAAC OVIEDO

Raymond (Diocese of Corpus Christi) and Isaac (Diocese of Tyler), both pictured in their cassocks in the photo above, are continuing their studies at the Pontifical North American College. This summer, they completed a Latin course at University College Cork (UCC) in Cork, Ireland. They write that it was "fruitful studying Latin, as it is our mother tongue and the language by which the Church has declared the truths of the Catholic faith." They also expressed that it was "a joy to be witnesses to the great faith of the young adults in the Juventutem chapter of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church."

Please continue to pray for all alumni of Holy Trinity Seminary as they continue their priestly formation throughout the world.



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GET UP AND GIVE ON NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY!

Join the fun on Thursday, September 19 and help Holy Trinity Seminary reach its goal of raising \$25,000 for the seminarians' formation program. This one-day online giving extravaganza is hosted by the Communities Foundation of Texas. You can be an early bird and schedule your gift to Holy Trinity Seminary beginning September 9 by [clicking here](#).

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HOLY TRINITY SEMINARY BENEFIT DINNER

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

Honorary Co-Chairs **Georgia & Marc Lyons** and **Mary & Bill Sladek** cordially invite you to join them at this year's *Spes Gregis* Dinner, which will be held on Friday, October 18, 2019 at the Renaissance Dallas Addison Hotel. [Table sponsorships and reservations are available online.](#) Let's pack the room and show our support for the seminarians!

We are excited to announce the Most Reverend Michael G. Duca, Bishop of Baton Rouge, as our keynote speaker for the evening. Bishop Duca was a seminarian at Holy Trinity Seminary from 1970 - 1978, the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Dallas from 1985 - 1992, and the Rector of Holy Trinity Seminary from 1996 - 2008.

To find out how you can join our Table Host Committee and help us promote the dinner, please contact Sylvia Najera at snajera@holytrinityseminary.org.



SUNDAY MASS

Please join the seminarians next Sunday, September 8 for Sunday Mass, which begins at 9:15 AM and is followed by a reception with the seminarians. Come meet these 65 men who are discerning a call to the priesthood!

[A full schedule of Masses can be found on our website.](#)



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