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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

On June 1 we will ordain three men to the priesthood: Deacon Anthony Armbruster, Deacon Samuel Rosko, and Deacon Bobby Vogel. Earlier this spring we ordained one seminarian to the transitional diaconate and will ordain another two later this fall. Our future ordination classes look strong.

The weekend of June 1 and 2, we will hold our annual collection for the Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests. This collection supports our seminarians currently studying for future ministry in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Your contributions help cover the expenses involved in the education and formation of these future priests. At this point in time, we are blessed with 28 men studying for the priesthood: twelve at Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary, one at Mount St. Francis Seminary, Cincinnati, and fifteen at Saint Meinrad School of Theology. We hope to add 4 to 6 men to this number next year.

The average cost per student for educational expenses is \$52,000 per year. Funds from the United Catholic Appeal and proceeds from other endowments support the formation of our seminarians, but those sources do not fulfill the entire need. All donations to this special annual collection will go directly toward the payment of these expenses.

In the name of all who minister in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, I ask you to be generous in supporting the educational needs of our future priests. Most importantly, I encourage you to pray for our priests and seminarians, and for a generous increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Thank you, and know of my continued prayer for you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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