



MINISTRIES IN ACTION

DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG | CATHOLIC MINISTRY *Appeal*



MINISTRY TO PRIESTS: *Serving those who serve*

“ It’s been 5 years since I was Ordained as a priest. It is important to have priestly fraternity, to see the guys that have walked the same journey with me in seminary, to spend time with those with whom we were Ordained together or perhaps were close together in Ordination years, and to talk and process things through.

Meeting with priests with similar years of experience is instrumental in building fraternity and in practicing solidarity, letting us reach out to a brother priest and having our brother priests reach out to us to help if we need the advice.

I think it helps us to articulate a lot of the things that we go through in our ministry. It helps us to become better selves and better instruments of God’s grace flowing through the parish and through our parishioners as well. ”

- Fr. Felipe Gonzales

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Land O’Lakes

Our diocese has:

57

veteran pastors

serving **5+** years,

18

new pastors

serving **1-5** years,

30

priests ordained

7 years or less &

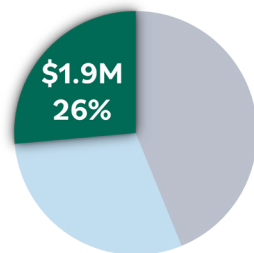
107

retired priests



ACCOMPANYING *our* MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Ministry to Priests is one of 12 diocesan ministries that serve our clergy and lay leaders in their pastoral journey so they may continue offering our people the formation and foundation needed to bring God’s message, mission and ministry to our faith communities and world. Through the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*, this group of ministries will receive \$1.9 million of the total \$7.1 million appeal goal to carry out their good works.



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