



**DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
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Dear Pastors,

New Year's blessings! Saint Joseph's Seminary & College - of which many of you are intimately familiar with having completed your priestly formation within its walls – is celebrating its 125th Anniversary.

Bishop Massa, the professors, staff, and students have been hosting programs and fundraisers throughout the past year in commemoration of this extraordinary fete. We are in awe of the outpouring of generosity from friends, family, parishes, and neighbors. Thank you to all of you who participated in the lectures, car raffle, and Advent and Christmas Concert!

We are now preparing for the grand finale. I am most excited to announce our 125th Anniversary Gala on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at X20 Restaurant in Yonkers, NY.

We ask you to consider participating in this special tribute to the Seminary. Our guest of honor will be Cardinal O'Brien, Archbishop of Baltimore. The Master of Ceremonies is Martha MacCallum of FOX News and the evening will feature a special performance by the Seminary's own Schola Cantorum.

The Gala will directly support our priests in formation and the educational programs offered to all at the Seminary.

Please RSVP at your earliest convenience. There are tickets set aside at a special price for clergy. We expect the Gala to sell out and want to ensure all diocese are represented at the event. I encourage you to share this information with others at your parishes and even mention in your parish bulletins this month.

We are available to answer any questions regarding the Gala. You can call the Seminary directly – Danielle Pizzola, 914-367-8201 and email Danielle.pizzola@archny.org, or contact me directly.

Thank you and God bless!

Best,
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