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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Next weekend, March 11th and 12th is the annual Diocese of Palm Beach collection for the education of seminarians and the formation of priests. The funds raised in this collection are used to support the cost of tuition, housing, education, and pastoral training of our seminarians. For example, the cost of tuition for one seminarian per year is \$22,000, and the room and board for one seminarian is \$12,100 per year. The priestly discernment and seminary formation process is important, and these seminarians need our spiritual and financial support.

Currently, there are eight seminarians from our Diocese who are dedicating themselves to this important process of understanding their vocation. With God's grace, we will have two ordinations this year: one priestly ordination (Rev. Mr. Marc Gustinelli) and one diaconate ordination (Mr. Joshua Martin).

By your generosity, our seminarians can devote themselves fully to the task of priestly formation, without having to worry about the financial burden of seminary. With them, you walk the journey of faith and ensure that the sacraments will continue to nourish the faithful for generations to come.

With gratitude for your continued generosity and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gerald M. Barbarito".

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito
Bishop of Palm Beach