

# Faith Transcends Generations

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Tom and Audrey Ruthman have been donating to Mount St. Mary’s Seminary & School of Theology (MTSM) for more than 20 years. Both are devout Catholics and have always put their Faith first.

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Mrs. Ruthman’s Faith was strengthened when she entered the Order of the Sisters of the Precious Blood. She left the order and served as a secretary, cook and housekeeper for Cincinnati Archbishop Paul Francis Leibold which is when she became an admirer of MTSM.

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She later married Tom Ruthman, president and owner of Ruthman Engineering Pump Solutions. Together they support many Catholic endeavors including a \$1 million donation to MTSM’s Seminary Building Expansion Project, the capital campaign which supported the construction of the new Fenwick Hall and Marian Piazza.

“We support the Seminary because we need priests,” said Mrs. Ruthman. “Without priests we don’t have the sacraments. It’s that simple.”

Mrs. Ruthman shared that she’s not worried about not having enough priests to perform sacraments in her lifetime - she’s concerned “the next generation might not be as lucky.”

“Supporting the Seminary supports and strengthens our Faith,” she said. “And for Tom and me, it’s important for our grandchildren, and eventually our great-grandchildren, to continue to have the same opportunities to receive the sacraments that we have.”

Mrs. Ruthman believes faith starts at home. She explained, “...it’s about setting the example and having faith - sustaining it, building it and passing it on.”



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