

Facts About Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology 2019-20

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Diocese of Evansville

Saint Meinrad's commitment to priestly formation began in 1857. Over the intervening years, more than 4,300 alumni have become priests. Currently, more than 1,500 Saint Meinrad alumni serve the Church as priests throughout the world.

In addition, nearly 7,000 lay alumni are serving the Church and society in many different vocations. Men and women in lay ministry, both professional and volunteer, have benefited from receiving a quality education at Saint Meinrad.

Saint Meinrad has served the needs of the Diocese of Evansville for many years. There are 49 active and retired priests of the diocese (including Bishop Siegel and Bishop Emeritus Gettelfinger), 52 permanent deacons, 15 religious and 345 lay people who are alumni of Saint Meinrad.

Saint Meinrad began the 2019-20 school year with an enrollment of 122 seminarians representing 27 dioceses and 10 religious communities. The Diocese of Evansville currently has 6 seminarians studying at Saint Meinrad.

The Seminary and School of Theology offers several programs to meet the ministerial needs of the Church. Men preparing for the priesthood pursue the Master of Divinity degree and Master of Arts (Catholic Philosophical Studies).

Men and women who are seeking to serve the Church as lay ministers study for the Master of Arts (Theology). Saint Meinrad also provides a Permanent Deacon Formation Program to 8 dioceses, and offers year-round retreats for those looking for spiritual nourishment.

Each summer, hundreds of high school and college youth participate in the "One Bread, One Cup" conferences. They learn more about their Catholic faith and develop skills they can use when they return to their home parishes.

Today the monastic community of about 80 priests and brothers serves the Catholic Church in a variety of ways. Besides their work in the Seminary and School of Theology, monks are serving as chaplains, as faculty at other institutions, and at parishes in several dioceses.

Located in southern Indiana, a mile south of I-64 between exits 72 and 63, Saint Meinrad is about one hour from Evansville. Visitors are always welcome at Saint Meinrad Archabbey.



Serving the Church for over 160 years!



Saint Meinrad Archabbey and Seminary & School of Theology have been preparing Church leaders for the Diocese of Evansville, and the world, since 1854.

In the near future, a monk of Saint Meinrad will be here to tell us about their important work for the Church. For over 160 years, Saint Meinrad has educated and formed priests, permanent deacons, and lay men and women for ministry.

In addition, countless high school students have deepened their faith through the “One Bread, One Cup” program.

After the visit, Archabbot Kurt Stasiak, OSB, will send a letter asking for your prayers and financial support. Please consider becoming a partner in their work. Remember to pray for them and for more vocations.

To learn more about Saint Meinrad, text **“Prayer”** to 800-682-0988 or visit www.saintmeinrad.edu/prayer

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