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ABOUT

The Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate (FIRE) at the University of Notre Dame educates and inspires tomorrow's ethical leaders in real estate, the world's largest asset class. Through world-class research, innovative teaching, and powerful industry engagement, FIRE is shaping the future of real estate with purpose.

The Church Properties Initiative (CPI), a project of FIRE, empowers proactive stewardship of church property through data-informed research and capacity-building in the areas of sustainable development, land use, finance, management, planning, governance, and more—directing the Church's assets to serve the needs of a changing world.

CPI's annual conference convenes church leaders, researchers, real estate and design professionals, and nonprofit entrepreneurs on Notre Dame's campus for a conversation on the Church's role in fostering human flourishing through beautiful, attainable, and sustainable communities.

Welcome to the University of Notre Dame.

MONDAY, MARCH 16

4:00 p.m. Conference Check-in Opens
2nd Floor Welcome Desk, McKenna Hall

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Welcome Reception
2nd Floor Prefunction Space, McKenna Hall

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
2nd Floor Prefunction Space, McKenna Hall

9:00 a.m. Plenary Session I: What Does the Church Have to Do With Housing Affordability?
McKenna Hall 215/216

Moderator

Rev. Stephen M. Koeth, C.S.C., Assistant Professor of History and Faculty Co-Director, Church Properties Initiative

Matthew Janeczko has served as the CEO and President of the Sisters of Charity Housing Development Corporation since 2019. SCHDC currently owns and operates over 1,300 units of affordable housing in New York state and St. Louis, MO, with another 600 units in development. Matthew holds a B.A. in history from the Catholic University of America and earned an M.Div. and License in Sacred Theology from Boston College. He lives in Rockland County, NY, with his wife, Caitlin, and their son.



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Ricardo Álvarez-Díaz, FAIA, is the co-founder and Chairman of the Board of Álvarez-Díaz & Villalón, an architecture firm, and co-founder of Valora Ventures, a real estate development company focused on affordable housing, hospitality and urban revitalization. An adjunct professor at the University of Notre Dame, Ricardo was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows in 2022. He began his career at Robert A.M. Stern Architects in New York City and is the author of several books, including the forthcoming *Thrive, Survive, or Go Extinct: Entrepreneurship in Architecture*.



10:15 a.m. - 10:45am

Break

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

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10:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions I

Transaction Design & Risk Mitigation 202	Lightning Talks 204	Planning 205	Design 206/207	Case Studies 215/216
<p>"From Liquidation to Legacy: Repurposing Church Assets for Multi-Decade Income, Community Impact, and Mission Control" Moderator: John Meyer. Panelists: Paul Spagnoli, John Peiffer, Steve Wilson</p>	<p>"Faith, Finances, Fraternity: A Novel Approach to Evangelizing San Francisco's Catholic Families Using Church-Owned Real Estate" Christina Sullivan, Casa Vigeo</p> <p>"Catholic Co-Living: An Affordable Solution to Build Men of Virtue" Sauradeep Sinha, Petrine Properties</p> <p>"A Tale of Two Convents" Esther Terry, Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend</p> <p>"The Role of Beauty in Building Communities" Gracia Mitchell, Mitchell Classical Design</p> <p>"Missional Hospitality: A Driver and Anchor of Affordable Community" Andrew Whaley, Calix</p>	<p>"Building Home on Faith-Based Owned Land: Policy Approaches to Increasing Housing Supply" Helen Ketema and Jeremy Faust, NYU Furman Center</p> <p>"DIOPA Master Plan & Development Strategies" Josh Eckert, Urban Practice - The Michaels Organization</p> <p>"Creative Solutions for Stewarding Real Estate" Matt Messier and Carlin Beekman, Foundry Commercial - Mission Property Group</p>	<p>"A Design Guide for Catholic Identity & Impact in Affordable Housing" Adam Hermanson, Integration Design Group, PC, and Justin Raddatz, Catholic Charities Housing (Denver)</p> <p>"COEXIST - Housing in Harmony with Active Churches" Mary M. Johannesen AIA, LEED AP, Thriven Design</p> <p>"Loving Our Neighbors with Affordable Housing" Michael Griffin, Saint Olaf Catholic Church, Minneapolis</p>	<p>"From Sacred Space to Civic Anchor" Ricardo Álvarez-Díaz, Álvarez-Díaz & Villalón</p> <p>"Monetizing Church Land for Mission-Aligned Housing Development: Case Studies in Wisconsin and Illinois" Joe Stanton, Three Leaf Partners</p> <p>"Church Properties to Affordable Housing: Two Grand Rapids Examples" Kara Harrison-Gates, Plante Moran</p>

12:00 p.m.

Lunch Break

Smith Ballroom, Salons A & B, Morris Inn

2:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions II

Transaction Design & Risk Mitigation 202	Academic Research 204	Integral Ecology 205	Community Development 206/207	Film Showing 215/216
<p>"Protecting Perpetual Value: Risk Mitigation, Fiduciary Governance, and the Dual Mandate of Canon and Civil Law in Real Estate Repurposing" Moderator: Rev. Patrick Reidy, C.S.C. Panelists: David Bender, John Peiffer, Fr. John Paul Kimes</p>	<p>"Faith and Housing First: A Multi-Method Examination of Federally Funded, Faith-Based Organizations Operating Housing First Programs" Nora Sullivan, Rutgers University, School of Social Work</p>	<p>"From climate change commitments to action: making affordability sustainable at Victory Housing, Inc." Todd Dorrien and Rachel Cluett, Victory Housing</p>	<p>"Enhancing Community Development Through Digital Mapping Analysis" Andrew Moneyheffer, ADAM Architecture</p>	<p>"Converted" Pilot Episode Viewing Claire McCallan, Elaion Media</p>
<p>"Saint Anne's Basilica: A Groundbreaking Stewardship Model for Historic Preservation" The Catholic Initiative</p>	<p>"Affordable Housing: An Issue Affecting Health within the Scope of Practice for Faith Community Nursing" P. Ann Solari-Twadell, Loyola University Chicago, Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing</p>	<p>"Laudato Si' in Practice: Church Properties as Pollinators of Health and Community" Bryan Furze/Noah Wilson Rich, Urban Bee Lab</p>	<p>"The Development of Church Property into Parish Village" Erik Bootsma, Bootsma Design</p>	
	<p>"Affordable Housing on Faith Land" Nadia Mian, Rutgers University, Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement/ Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy</p>	<p>"Transforming Church Properties in Affordable Ways in the Spirit and Practice of Integral Ecology" Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE, University of Notre Dame</p>	<p>"The Godshuis: Elder Housing as a Legacy Project" Thomas Dougherty, Innerblock Design Studio</p>	

3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Break

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

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3:45 p.m. **Plenary Session II: Perspectives on an Emerging Policy Movement**

McKenna Hall 215/216

Moderator

Rev. Patrick E. Reidy, C.S.C., Associate Professor of Law and Faculty Co-Director, Church Properties Initiative



Nadia A. Mian is Senior Program Director of the Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement and a Lecturer at the Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy. She holds a Ph.D. from The New School, and Masters in Environmental Studies from York University in Toronto, Canada, where she specialized in urban planning. Her research focuses on faith-based property development and examines faith institutions' advocacy for land use and zoning reform. She is building a database of faith-based affordable housing developments across the county and is a current Research Fellow at Villanova University.



M. Nolan Gray is the Senior Director of Legislation and Research for California YIMBY and an expert in urban land-use regulation. He is the author of *Arbitrary Lines: How Zoning Broke the American City and How To Fix It*. Gray previously worked as a planner in New York City, where he worked on the front lines of zoning. He is a widely published author, with work appearing in outlets such as *The Atlantic*, *Bloomberg Citylab*, and *The Guardian*. He lives in Sacramento, California and is originally from Lexington, Kentucky.



Jennifer Dickson is an Associate Director of Real Estate at the Archdiocese of New York, where she assists with real estate strategy, positioning, and dispositions on behalf of the 263 parishes in the 10 counties that comprise the Archdiocese. Previously, Jennifer served as a Planning and Development Specialist at the law firms of Herrick, Feinstein LLP and Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP, working with developers and property owners on government approvals and zoning and land use matters. Jennifer holds and M.S. in Urban Planning from Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation.

5:15 p.m.

Mass for the Feast of St. Patrick Basilica of the Sacred Heart

All are welcome.



KEYNOTE BANQUET CHURCH PROPERTIES INITIATIVE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

6:00 p.m. Cocktail Hour
Downes Ballroom, Corbett Family Hall, 8th Floor

7:00 p.m. Dinner & Keynote Address
Downes Ballroom, Corbett Family Hall, 7th Floor

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Charles L. Marohn, Jr.
Founder and President, Strong Towns

Charles Marohn, known as “Chuck” to friends and colleagues, is the founder and president of Strong Towns. He is a civil engineer and a land use planner with decades of experience. He holds a bachelor’s degree in civil engineering and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning, both from the University of Minnesota.



Marohn is the author of *Strong Towns: A Bottom-Up Revolution to Rebuild American Prosperity* (Wiley, 2019), and of *Confessions of a Recovering Engineer: Transportation for a Strong Town* (Wiley, 2021). He hosts the Strong Towns Podcast and is a primary writer for Strong Towns’ web content. He has presented Strong Towns concepts in hundreds of cities and towns across North America. Planetizen named him one of the 10 Most Influential Urbanists of all time.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
2nd Floor Prefunction Space, McKenna Hall

9:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions III

Transaction Design & Risk Mitigation 202	Building & Infrastructure B01	Notre Dame Research Highlights B02	Faith-Based Development 215/216
<p>"Navigating the Tax Labyrinth: UBIT, Property Exemptions, and the Fiscal Risks of Property Reuse" Moderator: Brett Cavanaugh, Notre Dame Law School. Panelists: Brendan Wilson, Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP; Steve Wilson, Haynes Boone.</p>	<p>"Improving Housing Affordability through Traditional Site and Infrastructure Design" Jacob P. Hyman, Crabtree Group, Inc.</p>	<p>"Studying Chicago Congregations' Survival and Transitions: Twenty-Five Year Longitudinal Analysis in the Windy City" Kraig Beyerlein and Peter Ryan, Center for the Study of Religion and Society, University of Notre Dame</p>	<p>"Using the Catholic Church's Promise, Property, Persuasion & Power: An Overview of CCUSA's Initiative to Address Homelessness and Affordable Housing" Timothy Crawl-Bey, Catholic Charities USA</p>
	<p>"Community-Focused Affordability: Turning Church Property Into Homes of Quality and Hope" Eric Benavides, Fornidos Home Systems, Inc</p>	<p>"Preserving Ireland's Sacred Heritage: A Student Researcher's Reflections on the PARISH Project" Matthew Scherber, University of Notre Dame</p>	<p>"Financing Church Property Redevelopment and Affordable Housing: Lessons from Fieldworks and Common Grace Church" Mark Elsdon and Tyler Krupp, RootedGood and Threshold Sacred Development</p>
	<p>"Affordable Homeownership to Close the Wealth Gap" Antonio Prado, Collective Empowerment Group</p>	<p>"Integration of Historic Stained Glass & Sacred Objects into New School Buildings" Brian Couch and Mark Andrade, Seton Schools</p>	<p>"Enterprise Faith-Based Development Initiative: Year 20 Lessons Learned for a Growing National Movement" David Bowers, Enterprise Community Partners; Patrick Jordan, Heron Community Consulting Inc.</p>

10:15 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Plenary Session III: Transforming the Culture of Housing Development

McKenna Hall 215/216

Panel Moderator

Madeline Johnson, CPI Program Director



Tina M. Patton serves as President of Cross Community, Inc., a nonprofit community development corporation focused on providing affordable housing and financial literacy support to aspiring homeowners. Prior to this, she spent over 30 years with Indiana Trust Wealth Management, retiring in 2023 as VP/Director of Nonprofit & Foundation Engagement. She and her husband, Michael, founded Kingdom Life Christian Cathedral in 2001, where Tina serves as co-pastor and minister of music. She holds a BBA from Indiana University-South Bend and an MBA from the University of Notre Dame.



Russell Lang is the President and CEO of Catholic Homes New York, where he leads a team responsible for the ownership and management of approximately 3,000 affordable housing units. Russell has developed over 2,100 residential units and activated over 100,000 square feet of commercial and community facility space. He has extensive experience in LIHTC, Section 8 policy, and family, senior, and supportive housing, all while utilizing a wide range of financing structures and public/private service contracts. His work reflects a commitment to mission-driven ownership and responsible stewardship of faith-based assets to expand housing opportunities at scale.



Richard Braam is the Chief Operating Officer of the Archdiocese of Hartford. He joined the archdiocesan staff as Chief Financial Officer in 2022, following a 35-year career in healthcare financial administration, before being promoted to his current role in 2024. Mr. Braam is responsible for all centralized support services in the Archdiocese (Finance, HR, IT, Property & Assets) and provides oversight of non-parish ministries (Cemeteries, Catholic Charities, Affordable Housing). He also functions as the Chief Investment Officer and Chief Risk Management Officer for the Archdiocese. Mr. Braam holds a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Maryland and an MBA from the University of Baltimore.

12:00 p.m. Lunch
Boxed lunches will be available at McKenna Hall.

CHURCH PROPERTIES INITIATIVE

Personnel

Faculty



Rev. Stephen M. Koeth, C.S.C. is an urban, religious, and political historian of twentieth-century America. His research focuses on U.S. Catholic involvement in postwar metropolitan development, including urban renewal projects, public housing, and suburbanization, and the effects of these interactions on Catholic faith and politics. He is an assistant professor of history and Faculty Co-Director of the Church Properties Initiative. His book, *Crabgrass Catholicism: How Suburbanization Transformed Faith and Politics in Postwar America* (2025) explores the effects of postwar suburbanization on American Catholic parish life and politics. Fr. Koeth earned both a B.A. in history (1999) and an M.Div. (2006) from Notre Dame and was ordained a Holy Cross priest in 2007. He completed an M.A. in history at The Catholic University of America in 2012, and in 2020 was awarded a Ph.D. in History from Columbia University.



Rev. Patrick E. Reidy, C.S.C. is an Associate Professor of Law at Notre Dame, where he also serves as a Faculty Co-Director for the Church Properties Initiative within the Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate. Fr. Reidy teaches and writes in the areas of property law, land use, and religion. His work has been published in the *Yale Law Journal*, *Virginia Law Review*, and *Florida Law Review*. Before joining the faculty at Notre Dame, Father Pat taught property as a Visiting Lecturer in Law and Fellow in Private Law at Yale Law School. He clerked for Justice Brett Kavanaugh on the Supreme Court of the United States in Washington, D.C., and the Honorable Thomas M. Hardiman on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Pittsburgh, PA. Father Pat is the former Rector of Keough Hall at the University of Notre Dame, where he offered chaplaincy support to Campus Ministry, the Notre Dame Law School, the Notre Dame Vision Program, and the Notre Dame Boxing Team. He serves on the University of Portland's Board of Regents.

Staff (Notre Dame Law School)



John Meyer joined Notre Dame Law School (NDLS) in February 2025 as Executive Director of the Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate Church Properties Initiative. As CPI's Executive Director within NDLS, John is responsible for expanding CPI's research, education, and impact around legal issues affecting church property. From 2014 to 2023, John served as the Executive Director of the Napa Institute. He has over 12 years of experience in real estate development, including as a Managing Partner at Beckett Development. John holds a B.A. in economics from the University of Illinois, a Master of Non-Profit Administration from the University of Notre Dame, and a certificate in Real Estate Development from Cornell University.

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Ricardo Álvarez-Díaz, FAIA, is the Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board of Álvarez-Díaz & Villalón®, one of the largest minority-owned architecture firms in the United States and named a Top 150 Architecture Firm by *Architectural Record*. He is also Co-Founder of Valora Ventures®, a Real Estate Development Company focused on affordable housing, hospitality and urban revitalization. An Adjunct Professor with the University of Notre Dame's Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, he was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows in 2022. He began his career at Robert A.M. Stern Architects in New York City and is the author of several books, including his latest: *Thrive, Survive, or Go Extinct: Entrepreneurship in Architecture* which comes out this summer (*Plenary Panel I, Concurrent Session I*).

Mark Andrade serves as the Director of Operations at Seton Catholic Schools, where he specializes in school operations and systems that support strong, mission-driven learning environments. A lifelong advocate for Catholic education, Mark is a graduate of Catholic elementary school, high school, and college, experiences that continue to shape his commitment to faith-based education. One of Mark's key projects at Seton includes supporting the development of Milwaukee's first new Catholic school buildings in nearly 60 years. Prior to joining Seton Catholic Schools, Mark worked as a Community Education Manager within the Wisconsin Technical College System, where he focused on building partnerships and expanding educational opportunities. Outside of work, Mark enjoys traveling, reading, and spending time with his family (*Concurrent Session III*).

Carlin Beekman is a Vice President within Foundry Commercial's Mission Property Group, which is the largest religious real estate transactor in the country. The Mission Property Group team has assisted over 3,000 religious, educational, and nonprofit groups in the disposition, acquisition, and consultation of real estate assets in almost all 50 states. Carlin's team has partnered with multiple denominations, extensions funds, lenders, and schools in the analysis, management, and brokerage of their real estate, including assisting the Archdiocese of Chicago with the disposition of churches and parishes across the

Chicago metro area (*Concurrent Session I*).

Eric Benavides is the Founder and CEO of Fornidos, a company dedicated to solving America's housing affordability crisis through innovative off-site construction systems. With more than 40 years of experience in homebuilding, Eric has developed and filed patent applications for a panel-based approach that delivers durable, adaptable, and community-focused housing at scale. His work emphasizes affordability without sacrificing quality or design, making it easier for municipalities, builders, and faith-based organizations to bring housing projects to life. Eric has led multiple businesses and is committed to creating practical solutions that strengthen families, communities, and future generations (*Concurrent Session III*).

David P. Bender, Jr., is a partner in the Litigation Practice Group of Haynes Boone. His practice focuses on recovering his clients' losses from their insurance companies and third parties who contributed to the loss and/or the third parties' insurance companies. He also advises clients on all aspects of risk including risk management, risk mitigation and risk transfer. His experience includes advising Directors, Officers and Trustees of both for-profit and tax-exempt entities. He is a board member or trustee of many Catholic organizations. He earned a B.A. from the University of Notre Dame and a J.D. from Southwestern Law School (*Concurrent Session II*).

Kraig Beyerlein is an Associate Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center for the Study of Religion and Society at the University of Notre Dame. He is also Co-Principal Investigator of the Chicago Congregation Project. Kraig's research and teaching focus on the intersection of religion and collective action, especially civic engagement and social movements. He is particularly interested in the role of congregation-based mobilization. He has published widely on these topics in social science journals. Various internal and external grants, including those from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., Louisville Institute, Spencer Foundation, and the National Science Foundation have supported Kraig's research over the years (*Concurrent Session III*).



Erik Bootsma is an architect practicing in Richmond, VA, and a graduate of Thomas Aquinas College in California and the Notre Dame School of Architecture. His firm, Erik Bootsma Architect, specializes in sacred architecture, educational architecture, liturgical design and master planning. His academic interests include philosophy of aesthetics and the canonical requirements of post-Vatican II sacred architecture. He lives and works in Richmond, VA, with his wife and five children. He has won awards for his work including an award for urban design for the St. Aubin Parish Village Plan in Detroit from the Urban Design Guild (*Concurrent Session II*).

David Bowers is vice president and market leader for the Mid-Atlantic and senior advisor, Enterprise Faith-Based Development InitiativeSM at Enterprise Community Partners. David's work includes facilitating affordable housing and community development transactions, and policy implementation in collaboration with public and private sector stakeholders in the Baltimore and Washington, D.C., metropolitan areas. David leads a team that provides access to financing, capacity-building and technical assistance to local developers, and participates with local coalitions advocating for increased resources for affordable housing and community development. Throughout David's tenure, his team co-initiated and co-convened the Housing Leaders Group of Greater Washington, led the Purple Line Corridor Coalition, initiated several efforts including the Enterprise Faith-Based Development InitiativeSM, as well as a transit-oriented preservation and resident displacement prevention initiative (GreenPATH), and the D.C. Green Communities Initiative. Prior to joining Enterprise, David was a program manager for a single-family housing program at the AFL-CIO Housing Investment Trust. Before joining the trust, David was a financial and programs advisor at the Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund. Before that, he worked in the office of U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski, at the time the ranking member of the Senate VA-HUD Appropriations Committee. David earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia and his M.Div. degree from Howard University. He is an ordained minister and the founder of the all-volunteer NO MURDERS DC movement, launched in 2000

(*Concurrent Session III*).

Richard Braam joined the Archdiocese of Hartford in January 2022 as the diocesan Chief Financial Officer following a 35-year career in healthcare financial administration. In May 2024, Archbishop Christopher Coyne promoted Mr. Braam to serve as the Archdiocese's first lay Chief Operating Officer. In the COO role, Mr. Braam is responsible for all centralized support services in the Archdiocese (Finance, Human Resources, Information Technology, and Property & Assets) and provides oversight of the non-parish ministries in the Archdiocese (Cemetery Association, Catholic Charities, Affordable Housing). Mr. Braam also functions as the Chief Investment Officer and Chief Risk Management Officer of the Archdiocese. Mr. Braam holds a B.S. in accounting from the University of Maryland University College and an MBA with a concentration in Finance and Economics from the University of Baltimore (*Plenary III*).

Brett Cavanaugh is the Transactional Legal Fellow for the Lindsay and Matt Moroun Religious Liberty Clinic, where he helps oversee students working with religious nonprofit organizations on various tax, corporate, transactional, employment, and strategic issues. Prior to joining Notre Dame Law School in 2023, Cavanaugh practiced law at a firm in Boston. As a law student, he interned for the Honorable Robert H. Cleland on the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. Before attending law school, he worked in Catholic education for six years as a middle school teacher and university chaplain. Cavanaugh earned his B.A. and M.Ed. degrees from the University of Notre Dame. He graduated cum laude from Boston College Law School, where he served as president of the St. Thomas More Society and as a staff writer with the Law and Religion Program. He also earned a certificate in Religion and the Rule of Law from the International Center for Law and Religion Studies' Oxford Program (*Concurrent Session III*).

Dan Clark is a seasoned real estate executive with over 30 years of leadership experience spanning multifamily, commercial, hospitality, senior housing, and industrial asset classes. As Senior Vice President and Head of Property Management at Three Leaf



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Partners, he oversees asset and property management strategy for a \$600M multi-state portfolio across six asset categories. He is currently managing the onboarding of more than 1,000 units valued at \$178M under construction while building a vertically integrated management platform designed for scalable growth and long-term value creation. Dan has previously held executive leadership roles at Bear Real Estate Group, Gorman & Company, and The CONAM Group. Across his career, he has directed operations for more than 100 projects nationwide, including over 7,000 multifamily units, 1.5 million square feet of commercial space, and more than 600 hotel keys. Recognized as a passionate servant leader, Dan has successfully transitioned thousands of units from third-party to in-house management, strengthened operational control through technology integration, and built high-performing, culture-driven teams. His core strengths include multifamily lease-ups, workforce housing, asset management, and leading organizations through periods of significant change (*Concurrent Session I*).

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Rachel Cluett joined Victory Housing as Sustainability and Facilities Manager in 2025. In this role she is responsible for overseeing the implementation of sustainability and resilience projects at existing communities and guiding the sustainability and resilience goals of new

developments. She previously worked for the U.S. Department of Energy where she supported state energy offices for efficiency upgrades under the Inflation Reduction Act-funded Home Energy Rebates program. She spent 6 years at Fannie Mae, developing and implementing mortgage financing products for energy and water efficiency in the multifamily sector. Prior to that, she was a senior research analyst at the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy, and she began her career as an energy auditor conducting building assessments and green certifications. Rachel holds a B.S. in natural resources from Cornell University and an MPH from Harvard (*Concurrent Session II*).

Brian Couch is the President and CEO of Seton Catholic Schools in Milwaukee, WI. He joined the Seton Family of Catholic Schools in 2019 to be part of the team creating a compelling urban parish Catholic education model for economically disadvantaged students and their communities that enables students to know God's love for them and in turn grow in love of the Lord and others. He spent seven years before joining Seton as a development executive in Catholic higher education at the University of Notre Dame and Ave Maria University. The first twenty-five years of his career he worked in industry, primarily aviation, including executive business leadership roles with Honeywell, GE, Eclipse Aviation and Dana. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame with both bachelor's and master's degrees in civil engineering. Brian and his wife Beth have five children and eight grandchildren. They both enjoy time with family, travel, and are avid sports fans (*Concurrent Session III*).

Timothy Crawl-Bey has served as the Senior Director, Housing Strategy for CCUSA for the past six years. In this role, Tim helps to plan, develop, and implement affordable housing strategies nationwide in support of CCUSA's affordable housing strategic priority. Tim has over 25 years of experience in housing finance, housing development, community development, and various public policy issues, including consulting on the development of a number of affordable housing projects in the mid-Atlantic region. Tim has a B.A. in Urban Studies from the University of Pennsylvania and



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Todd Dorrien is SVP, Sustainability and Asset Management, for Victory Housing. He is responsible for leading Victory Housing's climate resilience efforts for the existing portfolio as well as strategies around major new growth and other initiatives. Mr. Dorrien brings over 20 years of experience in finance, strategy, and asset management in senior housing and hospitality, most recently as VP, Asset Management, at Sunrise Senior Living, where he oversaw a portfolio of over \$1B in senior housing real estate. Previously, Mr. Dorrien worked in finance and strategy at Marriott International and as a management consultant at Boston Consulting Group. Mr. Dorrien holds an MBA from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University and a B.A. from Dartmouth College (**Concurrent Session II**).

Thomas Dougherty is a graduate of the School of Architecture at Notre Dame, where he focused on the inner-block urbanism of traditional European and early American cities and its relevance to the incremental infill development of modern American cities. You can read more about his current work at innerblock.org (**Concurrent Session II**).

Josh Eckert has over 20 years of professional experience in urban design, master planning and architecture. He has directed the site design and land-use approvals for a wide variety of affordable,

military, market-rate, and mixed-use communities across the United States. He has served both public and private entities on projects ranging from large-scale greenfield master plans to smaller urban infill projects. As an architect, he has managed the architectural design and documentation of multiple residential, commercial, and mixed-use developments. Josh holds architecture and urban design degrees from the University of Notre Dame (B.Arch. and M.ADU) (**Concurrent Session I**).

Mark Elsdon, M.Div., MBA, is a national thought leader and speaker on subjects of faith-based property development, impact investing and social enterprise. His work has been featured in the *New York Times*, *Wisconsin Public Radio*, *Bloomberg*, *Chronicle of Philanthropy*, *Religion News Service*, among other publications and podcasts. He is the author of *We Aren't Broke: Uncovering Hidden Resources for Mission and Ministry* and editor of the book, *Gone for Good? Negotiating the Coming Wave of Church Property Transition*. Mark holds degrees from the University of California, Berkeley; Princeton Theological Seminary; and the University of Wisconsin School of Business. He is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church, USA, and serves as co-founder of RootedGood and principal at Threshold Sacred Development (**Concurrent Session III**).

Jeremy Faust is a second-year student at New York University School of Law and the Frances Moelis Fellow in Real Estate Law at the NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy. He served as a legal intern with the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) during his first-year summer and will work as a summer associate with the real estate practice of Greenberg Traurig, LLP during his second-year summer. Prior to law school, Jeremy served as an Attaché at the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations. He received his A.B. in Political Science from Davidson College (**Concurrent Session I**).

Bryan Furze is the President of The Urban Bee Lab and a 1998 graduate of the University of Notre Dame. A real estate professional in Boston, Bryan works with tenants and landlords to create diverse and productive



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physical spaces. Bryan has a passion for working with land owners to think creatively on methods to offset the carbon footprint of the built space (**Concurrent Session II**).

M. Nolan Gray is the senior director of legislation and research for California YIMBY and an expert in urban land-use regulation. He is the author of *Arbitrary Lines: How Zoning Broke the American City and How To Fix It*. Gray previously worked as a planner in New York City, where he worked on the front lines of zoning. He is a widely published author, with work appearing in outlets such as *The Atlantic*, *Bloomberg Citylab*, and *The Guardian*. He lives in Sacramento, CA, and is originally from Lexington, KY (**Plenary Panel II**).

Michael Griffin is the Director of Social Ministry at Saint Olaf Catholic Church in downtown Minneapolis, MN. From a part-time office job in his parish while in high school in San Jose, CA, through campus ministry as a student at Gonzaga University, and for nearly 40 years since, Michael has been shaped by communities of faith meeting needs and loving neighbors, while helping communities fashion responses in charity and with justice using the gifts in their midst. He serves on the parish team responsible for the affordable housing project now under construction next door to Saint Olaf (**Concurrent Session I**).

Kara Harrison-Gates is a vice president at Plante Moran Realpoint, focusing on real estate development services. She brings years of experience coordinating affordable housing, including financing and incentive structures (**Concurrent Session I**).

Adam Hermanson founded Integration Design Group in 2006 to address the design needs for renewal within the Church. The firm has an extensive portfolio of projects throughout the western United States for churches, schools, colleges, religious orders, and various apostolates. Adam is a frequent presenter on topics pertaining to the renewal of buildings for worship and liturgy within the Catholic tradition. Adam holds degrees in architecture from The Catholic University of America (B.S. Arch.) and Harvard University (M. Arch.). Currently registered in ten states, he has worked in the field of architecture for more than

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Matthew Janeczko has served as the CEO and President of the Sisters of Charity Housing Development Corporation since 2019. Matthew also serves as the CEO of SCHDC's affiliated network of companies, including Mott Street Properties (Property Management and Brokerage), SCOPE Housing Development (Development), Charity Solar (Solar Development), and Columba Services (Service Provider). Under Matthew's leadership, SCHDC has doubled its housing stock and closed over \$132 million in new construction, preservation, and acquisition financing since 2019. SCHDC currently owns, operates, and manages over 1,300 affordable housing units with another 600 units in its development pipeline from Staten Island to the Capital Region. Matthew graduated from the Catholic University of America as a University Scholar and member of Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in History. Matthew graduated from the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry with both an M.Div. and License in Sacred Theology. Matthew is the Vice Chair of Brooklyn Jesuit Prep, a Nativity-model school located in Brooklyn and a Board Member of the Rockland County Continuum of Care. Matthew lives in Rockland County with his wife, Caitlin, and their son (**Plenary Panel I**).

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Rev. Stephen M. Koeth, C.S.C., is an urban, religious, and political historian of twentieth-century America. His research focuses on U.S. Catholic involvement in postwar metropolitan development, including urban renewal projects, public housing, and suburbanization, and the effects of these interactions on Catholic faith and politics. He is an assistant professor of history and faculty co-director of the Church Properties Initiative. His book, *Crabgrass Catholicism: How Suburbanization Transformed Faith and Politics in Postwar America* (2025) explores the effects of postwar suburbanization on American Catholic parish life and politics. Fr. Koeth earned both a B.A. in History (1999) and an M.Div. (2006) from Notre Dame and was ordained a Holy Cross priest in 2007. He completed an M.A. in History at The Catholic University of America in 2012, and in 2020 was awarded a Ph.D. in History from Columbia University (*Plenary Panel I*).

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Russell Lang serves as President and CEO of Catholic Homes New York, where he leads a nine-person team responsible for the ownership and management of approximately 3,000 affordable housing units. Russell has developed more than 2,100 residential units and activated over 100,000 square feet of commercial and community facility space. His expertise includes LIHTC eligible basis, Section 8 policy, faith-based development, and the coordination of public and private supportive services. Russell has extensive experience across family, senior, and supportive housing, utilizing a wide range of financing structures and public and private service contracts. His work spans both parish-based and non-parish developments, reflecting a commitment to mission-driven ownership and the responsible stewardship of faith-based assets to expand housing opportunities at scale (*Plenary Panel III*).

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Engineer: Transportation for a Strong Town (Wiley, 2021). He hosts the Strong Towns Podcast and is a primary writer for Strong Towns’ web content. He has presented Strong Towns concepts in hundreds of cities and towns across North America. *Planetizen* named him one of the 10 Most Influential Urbanists of all time.

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Michael McLaughlin is Chief Inspiration Officer at The Catholic Initiative. His spirit of service was shaped by a 20-year career in hospitality with Hilton and Starwood hotels in New York City, followed by 15 years as a Development Officer at the University of Notre Dame, allowing him to dedicate the rest of his career to a Christ-centered mission: ensuring that Catholic schools, churches, and parishes flourish and remain sustainable for generations to come. Michael and his wife, Patti, live in South Bend, IN (*Concurrent Session II*).

Matt Messier, SIOR, CCIM, is Managing Director within Foundry Commercial’s Mission Property Group, which is the largest religious real estate transactor in the country. The Mission Property Group team has assisted over 3,000 religious, educational, and nonprofit groups in the disposition, acquisition, and consultation of real estate assets in almost all 50 states. Matt’s team has partnered with multiple denominations, extensions funds, lenders, and schools with the analysis, management, and brokerage of their real estate, including assisting the Archdiocese of Chicago with the disposition of churches and parishes across the Chicago metro area (*Concurrent Session I*).

John Meyer joined the Notre Dame Law School in February 2025 as the Executive Director of the Church Properties Initiative. During the Spring of 2023, John was a Visiting Scholar for the Fitzgerald Institute of Real Estate at the University of Notre Dame. He served as the Executive Director of the Napa Institute from 2014-2023 where he transformed the organization into one of the premier Catholic networks and apostolates. In



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Gracia Mitchell is the Principal Designer at Mitchell Classical Design in Alexandria, VA, and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame's School of Architecture. Throughout her professional career she has focused on Traditional Catholic Church design and liturgical furnishings. She has been an integral part of several ecclesiastical projects including the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine in Oklahoma City and the Sisters of Life

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Tina M. Patton is a distinguished leader in the South Bend community, with extensive experience in wealth management, nonprofit engagement, and community development. She holds a BBA from Indiana University-South Bend and an MBA from the University of Notre Dame. In 1989, Tina joined Indiana Trust Wealth Management, where she held various roles, including Trust Operations Manager, Director of Information Technology, and finally Vice President/Director of Nonprofit & Foundation Engagement. Retiring from Indiana Trust in 2023, Tina now serves as President of Cross Community, Inc., a nonprofit Community Development Corporation focused on providing affordable housing and financial literacy support to aspiring homeowners. She is also actively involved with several non-profit organizations serving on their boards. She has also received numerous awards and recognitions over the years including being inducted into the South Bend Hall of Fame. She and her husband, Michael, have been married since 1996. They have a blended family of five children and one grandchild. Together, they founded Kingdom Life Christian Cathedral in 2001, where Tina serves as Co-Pastor and Minister of Music (*Plenary Panel III*).



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Antonio "Tony" Prado has over 30 years of experience in residential and commercial development. He has served for 25 years as Director of Pacific National Bank, Miami, including five years as Board Chairman. Currently, he serves as an adjunct professor and Developer-in-Residence at the University of Miami's LLM in Real Property Development program. Tony has served as pro bono Executive Director for the Collective Empowerment Group (CEG) since 2013, leading a consortium of over 40 predominantly Black churches in South Florida who develop church-owned land into affordable housing opportunities. Tony has previously served on the boards of Habitat for Humanity, Kairos Prison Ministry, Americans for Immigrant Justice, and other community-based nonprofit organizations (*Concurrent Session III*).

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Sister Damien Marie Savino, F.S.E., is a Franciscan Sister of the Eucharist with a background in engineering, science, and theology, having earned her doctorate in Engineering from the Catholic University of America (CUA) as well as Masters' degrees in theology and soil science from CUA and the University of Connecticut. She recently completed a book entitled



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Matthew Scherber is a current junior at the University of Notre Dame studying global affairs and theology. He is originally from Buffalo, MN, in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. His academic and career interests include ecclesial property, which he is currently exploring through a research project in Rome during his semester abroad in Italy. In May, he also plans to spend time at Borgo Laudato Si' at Castel Gandolfo, where he will study integral ecology (**Concurrent Session III**).

Deep Sinha, while pursuing his Bioengineering Ph.D. at Stanford University, founded St Joseph's Woodshop to provide distinctively Catholic and affordable graduate student housing for single men. There, he met **Conrad Kaminski**, a Stanford University alumnus working at a Bay Area engineering startup. Conrad went on to lead the Hawthorn House near Harvard University while completing his M.S./MBA. A mutual friend introduced them to **David Murphy**, a Notre Dame alumnus and the founder of Quo Vadis Catholic Co-Living in South Bend, who brings an unrivaled wealth of knowledge in activating underutilized Church properties. Together, with God's grace and the help of many others, they are scaling their affordable housing model nationwide to become the most sought-after living arrangement for young Catholic men by 2035 (**Concurrent Session I**).

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Fr. Anthony Sorgie is a priest of the Archdiocese of New York, currently serving as the pastor of the Parish of Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady in Tuckahoe. Ordained in 1982, he has dedicated over four decades to ministry, including 14 years as a professor and Vice Rector at St. Joseph's Seminary. A visionary in community outreach, Fr. Sorgie recently spearheaded a landmark real estate project: converting his parish's former convent into the St. Frances Cabrini Apartments. In partnership with ArchCare, this initiative provides independent, affordable housing for adults with autism, offering them dignity and a supportive environment within the heart of the parish community (**Concurrent Session I**).

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Joe Stanton, Vice President of Investor Relations at Three Leaf Partners, is a results-driven leader with extensive experience in finance and real estate. A Fairfield University graduate, he has spearheaded development projects and raised more than \$175M in equity, helping grow Three Leaf's portfolio to north of \$600M across 31 projects. Joe has a proven track record of delivering impactful projects that align with



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Three Leaf's mission of "impact through real estate." He also serves on the board of the Pat Connaughton Foundation and was named a 2025 *Milwaukee Business Journal* 40 Under 40 honoree (*Concurrent Session I*).

Christina Sullivan is a spirited wife, mother, home educator, and social entrepreneur who is devoted to building the Kingdom. She and her husband began investing in real estate to serve the Church over 13 years ago. The culmination of their work thus far lies in Casa Vigeo, the nonprofit they founded in 2023 as a means to address the housing- and faith-related crises facing many families in their beloved city of San Francisco (*Concurrent Session I*).

Nora Sullivan, M.Div., MSW, is a Ph.D. candidate in social work at Rutgers University, researching faith-based efforts to address homelessness. For over 8 years Nora has been working in both direct service and research capacities towards a world where people experiencing homelessness and people who use drugs can thrive. Her recent projects include community-based efforts towards overdose prevention, addressing the intersection of healthcare and homelessness, and palliative care in unhoused communities. Her dissertation focuses on federally funded, faith-based organizations providing Housing First services (*Concurrent Session II*).

Esther Terry is Director of Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. In this role, she supports the priorities of Bishop Rhoades, collaborates with all diocesan departments, serves as a resource for clergy and lay ministers, and coordinates diocesan-wide programming. Without fully knowing what she was undertaking, she oversaw the renovation of a convent in Elkhart as part of establishing the Missionary Servants of the Divine Spirit in the diocese. She is also involved in coordinating details for the establishment of the Eucharistic Missionaries of Nazareth in the diocese (and relieved she is not in charge of renovating that convent). Esther holds a Master of Theological Studies from the University of Notre Dame and a Certificate in Church Management from Villanova University. She is married to Mike Bogdan and they have three spirited children ages nine,

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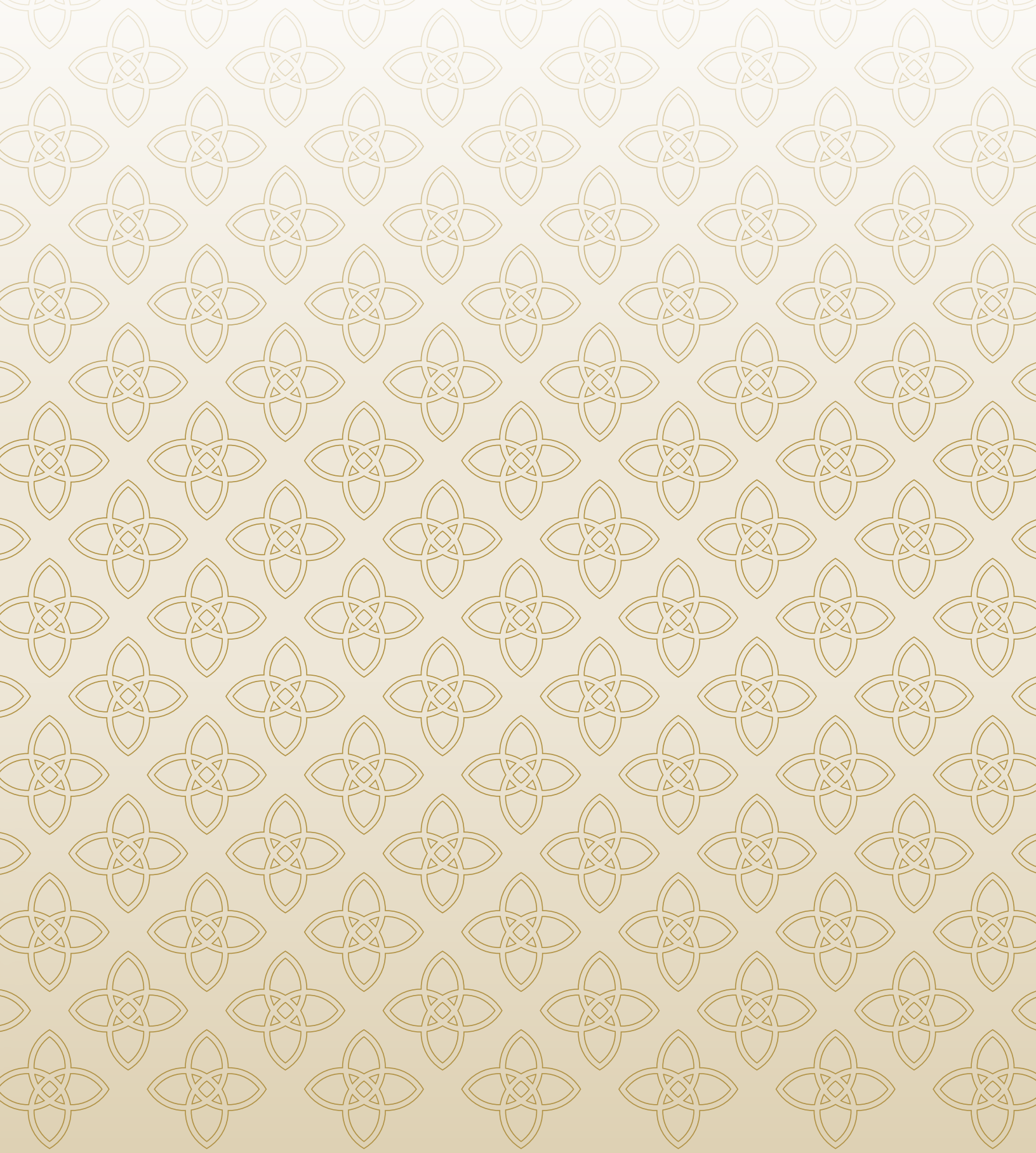


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