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It is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Newman Golf Classic. Over the last 32 years the tournament has raised an amazing \$4.1M in support of St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College.

By becoming a tournament sponsor, donor or golfer, you not only forge an important connection with the Catholic community; you join in the mission of St. Joseph Seminary & Newman Theological College.

The college and seminary provide education and training for priests, chaplains, teachers, parish workers and ministry leaders — the people who go on to serve our families and communities. Unlike other post-secondary institutions, they receive no government funding. They rely on fundraising events like the Newman Golf Classic, and the sponsors, donors and golfers who make it a success each year.

We invite you to review the opportunities outlined here and think about how we can help each other.

To find out more, please visit [www.caedm.ca/golf](http://www.caedm.ca/golf) or call Anna at 780-952-6437 or Lianne at 780-934-8124.

Thank you,

Michael Norris  
Golf Committee Chair

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(...) "YOU'RE NO WISER THAN SOLOMON OR STRONGER THAN DAVID." (...)

Mark Berube's interview with Fr. John Hesse on the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

**(Q) What were the most popular things to do for recreation?** (A) We had two sports which everyone was expected to take part in: softball in the summertime or hockey in the winter on our rink. Even our rector joined us for hockey! At that time, we were divided into different leagues within the seminary based on how well you played the sport, so everything was quite fair even if you didn't skate too well. I remember watching guys who had never skated before clinging to the boards and trying to compete. It was quite entertaining! We would play other sports for fun as well, such as handball or tennis. I remember particularly an older seminarian moving here from Ireland who loved handball and taught many of us.

**(Q) Do you have any memorable prank or joking stories?** (A) I think actually, one of the factors that helped me as someone who entered at 17 right out of high school and the other young ones, is that we entered shortly after the Second World War, so there were many seminarians there who had been in the Air Force, the Army, or the Navy. Their maturity and gravity helped the younger of us to quickly grasp that, even though we would still have recreation and fun, there was a deeper meaning of life as to why we were there, that life is short, and that we were there to serve

and honour God. I remember for instance arriving at seminary, and there was a man, Tom Kroetch, who had come from a farm family and was sent to greet me. He had jeans on and binder twine as belt, so I quickly realized how down-to-earth the guys around me were going to be. He was easy to befriend and a big support to me. So overall, I would stress that we were not simply pulling pranks as we did in high school, but at the same time we were welcomed and invited a bit higher.

**(Q) Do you have any advice that you received during seminary that has stuck with you and stood the test of time?** (A) I remember again Fr. Tom Kroetch, and we were speaking to the question of what vocation we were inclined to, and reminiscing that if we were not in seminary we would likely be looking to get married. I was personally thinking about how much of a struggle celibacy could be. He helped me see the attraction to women as something that could be given to the Lord, and then He would let you care for His family as your own. I remember the saying "you're no wiser than Solomon or stronger than David." So even though they were symbols of strength, they both fell as well. So nothing is possible without the help of God; without Christ's strength.

## SUPPORTING THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

Newman Theological College has something for (just about) everyone! It offers a rich selection of graduate, undergraduate and certificate programs, as well as non-credit courses and seminars. Theological education is accompanied by spiritual formation and a deepening discipleship, preparing men and women for service and leadership roles in the Church, here in Edmonton as well as the wider community across Western Canada. Our student body reflects that wider community, being made up of seminarians, ordained ministers, youth ministers, parish ministers (employees and volunteers), high school graduates and mature lay people, from several Churches in union with the Pope as well as other Christian denominations. NTC is for everyone who has a personal desire to discover and develop a deeper relationship with God and Jesus Christ, and to find the workings of the Holy Spirit in their daily lives.

St. Joseph Seminary is a place of discernment for those who think that God's plan for them might be to serve as a diocesan priest. In a supportive community atmosphere, the seminary seeks to reproduce that first seminary experience the apostles had with Jesus himself: living with him, eating with him, listening to him, and asking him questions, travelling with him and gradually being prepared by him for a share in his mission. Since 1927, more than 600 SJS seminarians have been ordained to the priesthood and have gone on to serve in parishes across Canada.

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