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Check out our website to learn more about our seminarians and the Canons Regular of Jesus the Lord.

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Reviving the Roman Catholic Church
in Eastern Russia

Our prayers are being answered!

We all pray for vocations because we need more priests and religious.

We have prayed every “green” Monday for 30 years for priestly vocations for the Church. Then, all of a sudden, our prayers were answered. The priests in Vladivostok began receiving one email after another from seminarians in the Philippines and Indonesia.

They had spotted our website and were seeking information about the Canons Regular of Jesus the Lord, the order started by Fr. Myron Effing, CJD.

Now, every year we have several young men who come to Vladivostok to spend their 12 months of novitiate. During the year, they pray together and live in community at the monastery next door to our beautifully renovated church.



Novices preparing a meal in our monastery kitchen. Some of these guys are great cooks!

They also visit the elderly at the hospice facility, spend quality time with children in the orphanages, and attend college classes, learning the Russian language.

Many of these young men already have college degrees or work experience that complements their activities as novices. For example, one seminarian who was a registered nurse was quick to recognize problems that some of the hospice patients had with eating in bed. He was able to find hospital beds that were available locally and which could help the patients sit up to eat.



Other novices have organized soccer teams for the orphans, provided music for liturgies, and begun to inform their fellow seminarians back home about the need for priests in Russia. And to their new friends at the university, they are also outstanding evangelizers and representatives of the Catholic Faith.

What tremendous blessings! Thanks to God’s providence, we have exceptional young men now in Russia and preparing for their vocation.

How you can help our novices

We are so excited to have these seminarians. We all appreciate that this is an additional financial burden on the mission, but what a terrific burden to have!

You can help us spread the Catholic Faith in Russia by sponsoring one of these young men during his year of novitiate. To provide them every opportunity in solid formation, the expenses for **each** seminarian are as follows:

Travel to and from Vladivostok	\$ 1,730
Visa expenses and processing	230
Travel while in Russia	648
Food and lodging	2,160
Medical and dental expenses	340
Tuition and fees for 12 months	4,344
Class materials, books, etc.	240
Miscellaneous expenses	<u>600</u>
Total for 1 year	\$10,292

As a seminarian sponsor, you may choose to cover one of the expenses listed above, make a one-time gift of any amount, or pledge a specific amount to give monthly for one year, or perhaps longer.

You may also correspond with your seminarian, send him your prayer requests, or even meet him when you join a mission trip to Vladivostok. One day, you might even wish to attend his ordination!

No matter how you choose to support a seminarian, you will know that you are furthering God’s work in Russia!