

# Roman Catholic Foundation <br> of <br> EASTERN MISSOURI 

## Quarterly Investment Report

Our Mission<br>Inspiring giving and connecting donors to Catholic ministries, sustaining the local Church for generations.

## Our Investment Philosophy

The Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri offers world-class, Catholic-screened investment options to help donors achieve their charitable goals and to help Parishes, Schools, and Ministries of the Archdiocese of St. Louis meet their long-term financial needs.
We believe in responsible stewardship and seek a competitive financial return in a manner consistent with social teachings of the Catholic Church.
We invest in a well-diversified mix of risk-appropriate assets to achieve a rate of return that will support the Foundation's distribution rate schedule while protecting assets from inflation and market volatility. All investments are screened in accordance with the Socially Responsible Investment Guidelines set forth by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.


## Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management $\$ 48.44$ million

## Objective

Capital appreciation consistent with Catholic values.
Annual Investment Management Costs Investment management costs are $0.49 \%$. For Foundation management fee please see the fee schedule provided by the Foundation at https://rcfstl.org/frequently-asked-questions.

## About Performance

The investment results depicted herein represent historical net performance after the deduction of investment management costs.

Annual, cumulative and annualized total returns are calculated assuming reinvestment of dividends and income plus capital appreciation. Performance for periods greater than one year is annualized. The performance data presented has been prepared by Graystone Consulting.
Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

## Target Asset Allocation



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## Multi-Period Performance Analysis



## Growth of $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0}$



Since Inception Risk Statistics

|  | Standard <br> Deviation | Sharpe <br> Ratio | Maximum <br> Drawdown | Alpha | Beta |
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| Growth Pool | $\mathbf{1 2 . 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 4 . 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{- 0 . 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9 3}$ |
| *Growth Pool Composite | 12.78 | 0.35 | -22.66 | -0.62 | 0.96 |
| ${ }^{* * \text { Catholic Values Benchmark }}$ | 13.24 | 0.41 | -24.87 | 0.00 | 1.00 |

## Calendar YOY Performance Analysis



## Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management \$3.68 million

## Objective

Balance of capital appreciation and income consistent with Catholic values.

Annual Investment Management Costs Investment management costs are $0.46 \%$. For Foundation management fee please see the fee schedule provided by the Foundation at https://rcfstl.org/frequently-asked-questions.

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|  | Standard <br> Deviation | Sharpe <br> Ratio | Maximum <br> Drawdown | Alpha | Beta |
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| Moderate Pool | $\mathbf{1 2 . 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 3 . 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{- 1 . 2 5}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9 4}$ |
| ${ }^{*}$ Moderate Pool Composite | 12.32 | 0.27 | -20.80 | -0.66 | 0.94 |
| ${ }^{* *}$ Catholic Values Benchmark | 12.93 | 0.33 | -22.49 | 0.00 | 1.00 |

Calendar YOY Performance Analysis


## Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management $\$ 3.85$ million

## Objective

Capital preservation and income consistent with Catholic values.

Annual Investment Management Costs Investment management costs are $0.40 \%$. For Foundation management fee please see the fee schedule provided by the Foundation at https://rcfstl.org/frequently-asked-questions.

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## Growth of $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0}$



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|  | Standard <br> Deviation | Sharpe <br> Ratio | Maximum <br> Drawdown | Alpha | Beta |
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| Conservative Pool | $\mathbf{7 . 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{- 1 7 . 8 4}$ | $\mathbf{- 0 . 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9 4}$ |
| ${ }^{*}$ Conservative Pool Composite | 7.61 | 0.32 | -17.87 | -0.29 | 0.96 |
| **Catholic Values Benchmark | 7.82 | 0.37 | -18.51 | 0.00 | 1.00 |

## Calendar YOY Performance Analysis



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## Market Commentary

The first quarter of 2023 brought positive returns for many fixed income and equity indices as the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) ensured commitment to taming inflation through rate hikes and tightening financial conditions. Meanwhile, the 10 Y 2 Y yield curve stayed inverted alongside a slowing economy. Throughout the quarter, equities and fixed income markets were not aligned. As expectations for interest rates decreased, valuations rose, short-covering picked up, and one-day options activity surged. Equities appeared to look through potential risks for an economic and/or profits recession and lagged effects of central bank tightening and tighter credit availability.

Inflation remained at elevated levels in 1Q23 even as US Headline CPI Inflation cooled to 6.0\% year-over-year in February, a decline from the June 2022 peak of $9.1 \%$. Since this was well above the FOMC's $2 \%$ inflation target, the Committee continued to raise rates. Following seven rate hikes in 2022 , the FOMC raised rates a total of 50 basis points during the first quarter while the Quantitative Tightening (QT) program held. Together with tighter lending standards from banks, these monetary effects caused tightening in financial conditions, which threatens to slow economic activity.


## Catholic Screening Methodology

In addition to emphasis on competitive investment performance, Foundation assets are managed in accordance with the moral teaching guidelines of the Catholic Church set forth through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops investment guidelines document. The management of the investment assets of the Foundation focuses on a profound respect for the dignity of the human person.

## Portfolios are built and continuously screened to avoid investment in companies with violations of human life and dignity. ZERO TOLERANCE FOR PARTICIPATION IN:

- Abortion - includes day hospitals performing abortion and direct abortion drugs like RU486
- Contraceptives - includes morning after pill and abortifacients
- Pornography - includes sexually explicit media, video games, production, audio, etc.
- Embryonic stem cell research


## AVOID PARTICIPATION IN:

-Tobacco, Gaming, Weapons of mass destruction (nuclear), land mines, cluster munitions
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*Fund benchmark constituents are as follows:

- Income/Deflation Benchmark consists of Barclays Aggregate Index and 90-day T-Bills in the same allocation as the pool constituents -Non-Traditional Benchmark consists of S\&P 500 Global Infrastructure, S\&P BMI Property Dev and Bloomberg Commodity Index in the same allocation of the pool constituents
-Capital appreciation Benchmark consists of S\&P 500, MSCI EAFE Net, and FTSE Treasury Bill 3 month in the same allocation as the pool constituents.
${ }^{* *}$ Catholic Values Benchmark: Same allocation as Pool Composite, except utilizing MSCI World Catholic Values Benchmark for equities.
Note: you cannot invest directly in an index; indices do not include the deduction of investment management costs.


## Sources: FactSet, Morgan Stanley Wealth Management GIC.

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