



Roman Catholic Foundation of EASTERN MISSOURI

Quarterly Investment Report

Our Mission

*Inspiring giving and connecting donors to Catholic ministries,
sustaining the local Church for generations.*

Our Investment Philosophy

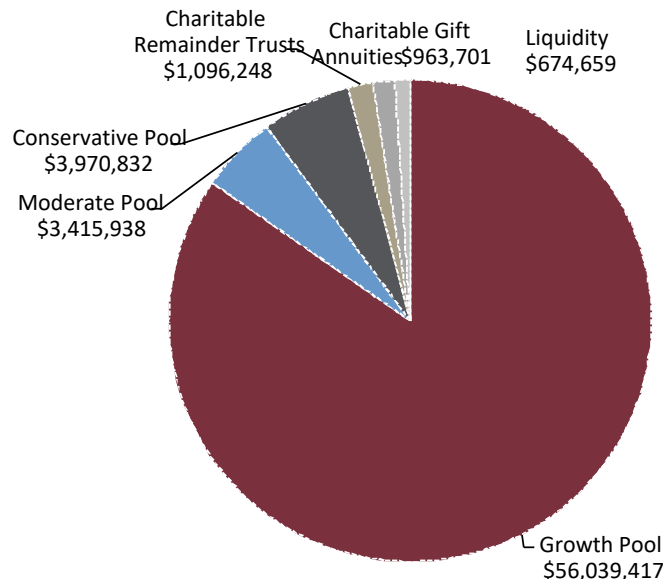
The Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri offers world-class, Catholic-screened investment options to help donors achieve their charitable goals and to help Parishes, Schools, and Ministries of the Archdiocese of St. Louis meet their long-term financial needs.

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.

Assets Under Management

\$66,160,795 as of December 31, 2023



Platinum
Transparency
2023

Candid.

Charity
Navigator



+ FOUR-STAR +

Better Business
Bureau Accredited

Growth Pool

Inception Date December 1, 2014

Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management
\$56.04 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>.

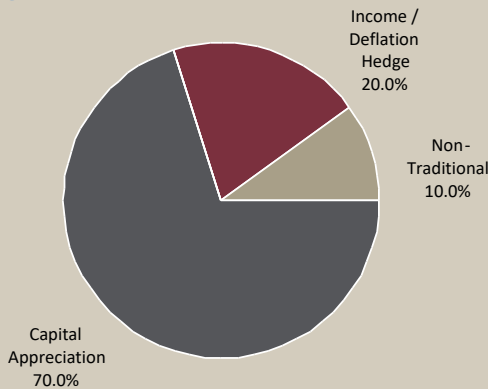
About Performance

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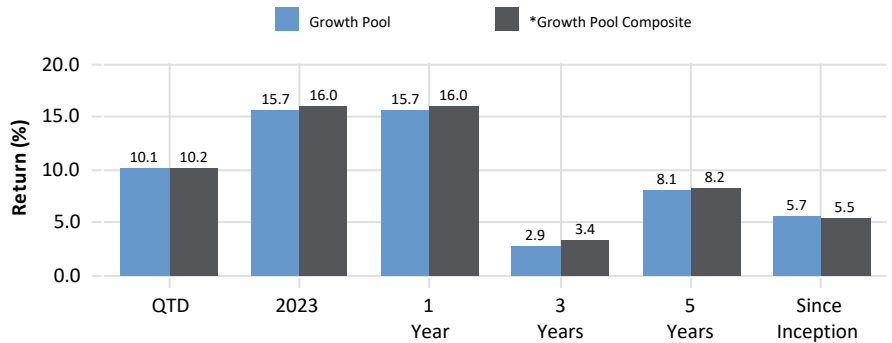
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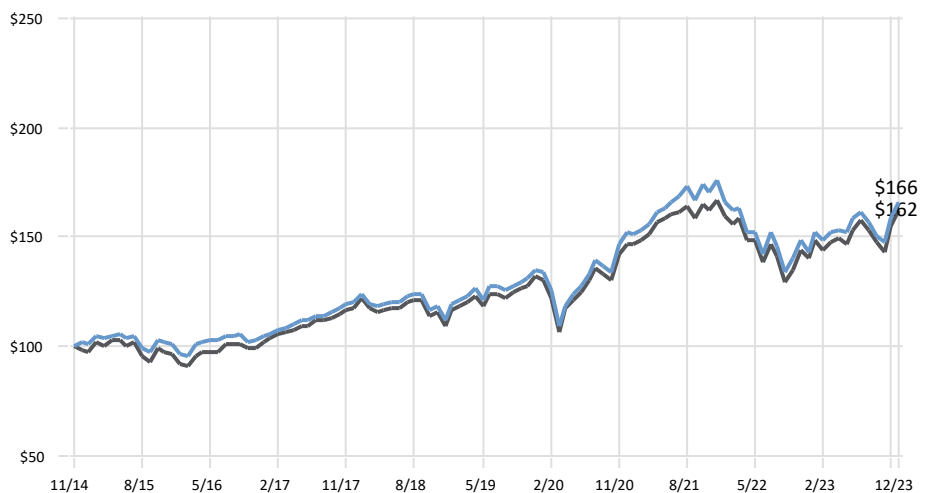
Target Asset Allocation



Multi-Period Performance Analysis



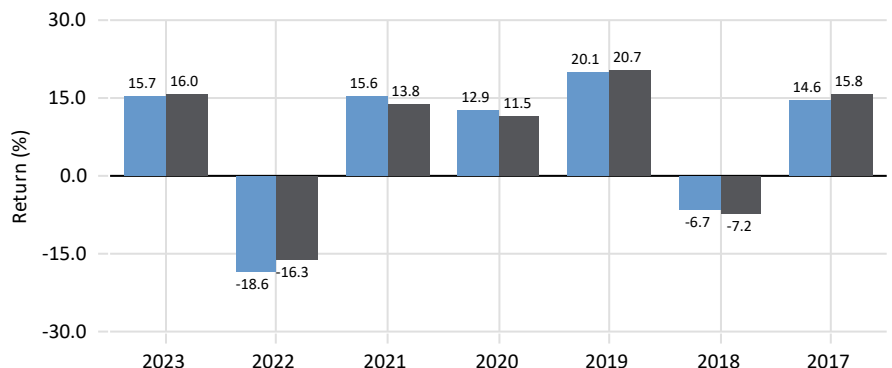
Growth of \$100



Since Inception Risk Statistics

	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Maximum Drawdown	Alpha	Beta
Growth Pool	12.53	0.40	-24.07	0.47	0.96
*Growth Pool Composite	12.86	0.37	-22.66	0.00	1.00

Calendar YOY Performance Analysis



* See Important Disclosures on page 5



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Moderate Pool

Inception Date December 1, 2017

Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management
\$3.42 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>.

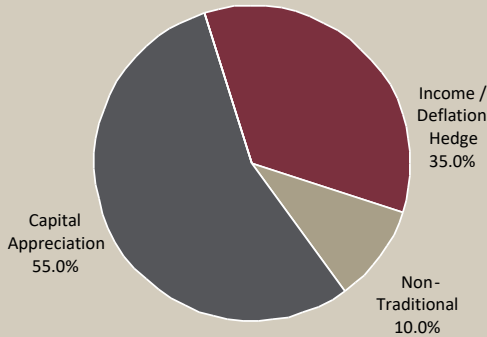
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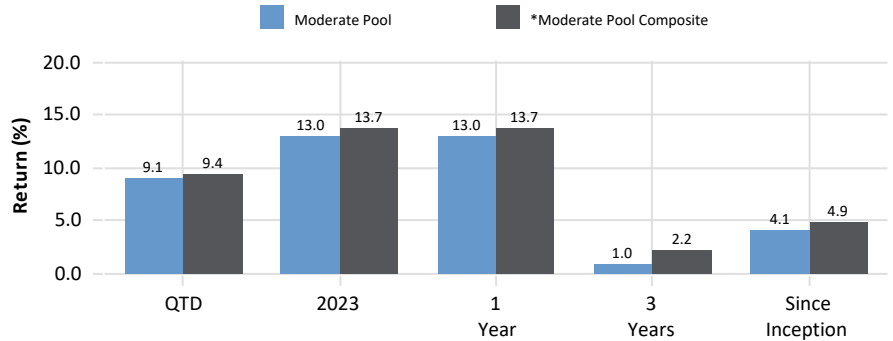
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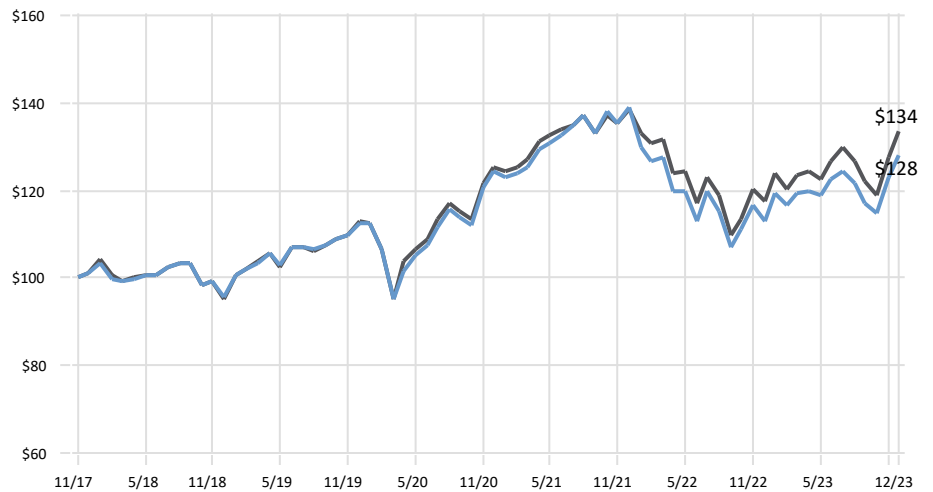
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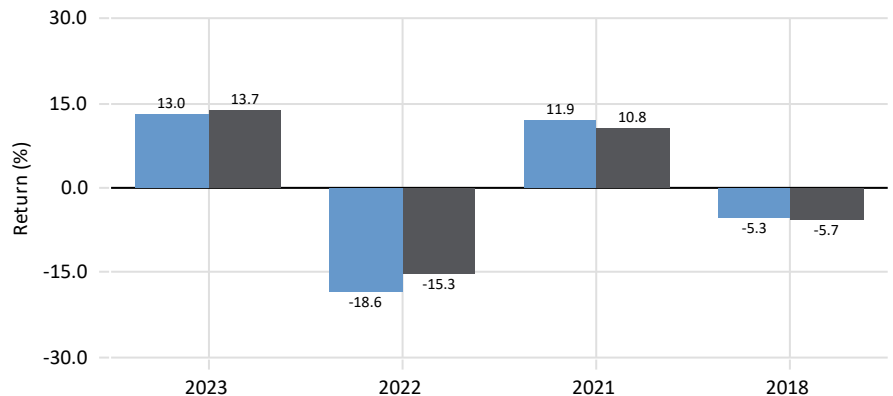
Growth of \$100



Since Inception Risk Statistics

	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Maximum Drawdown	Alpha	Beta
Moderate Pool	12.16	0.24	-23.08	-0.60	0.98
<i>*Moderate Pool Composite</i>	<i>12.31</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>-20.80</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>1.00</i>

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Conservative Pool

Inception Date November 1, 2015

Pool Overview

Fund Assets Under Management

\$3.97 million

Objective

Capital preservation and income consistent with Catholic values.

Annual Investment Management Costs

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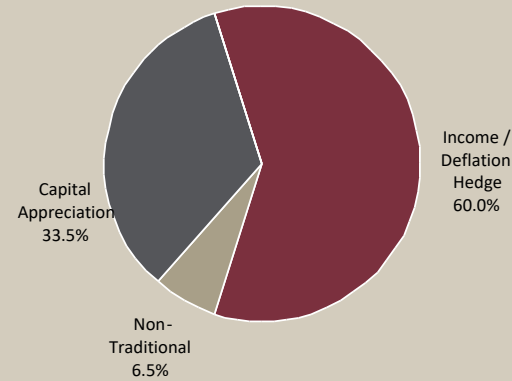
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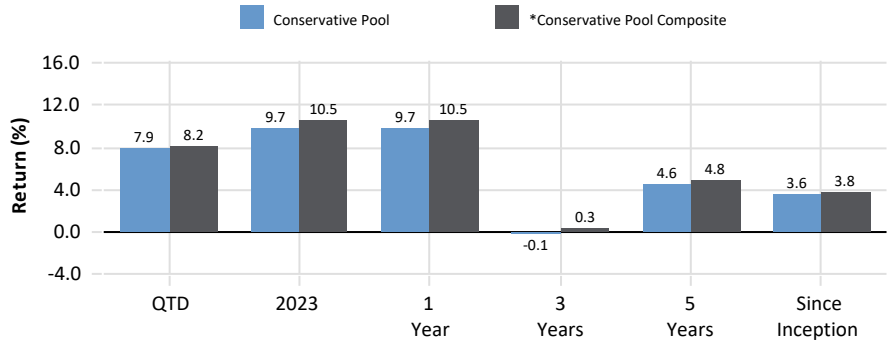
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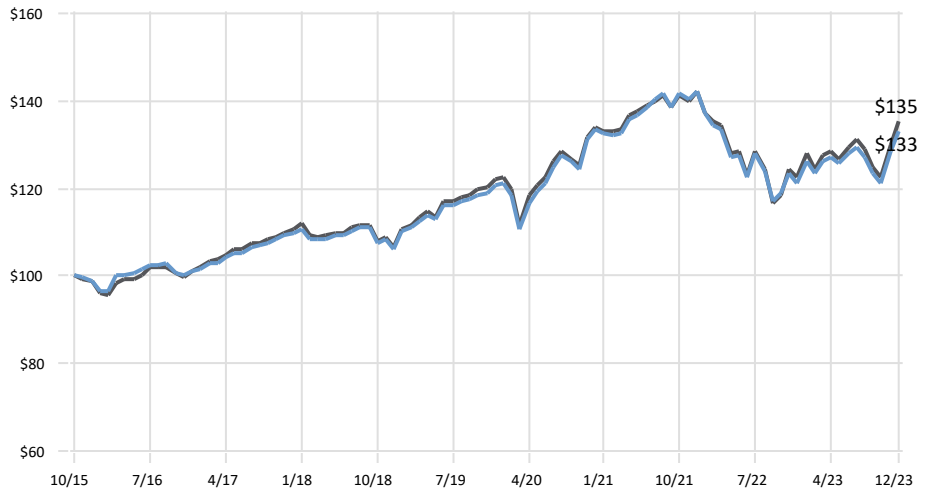
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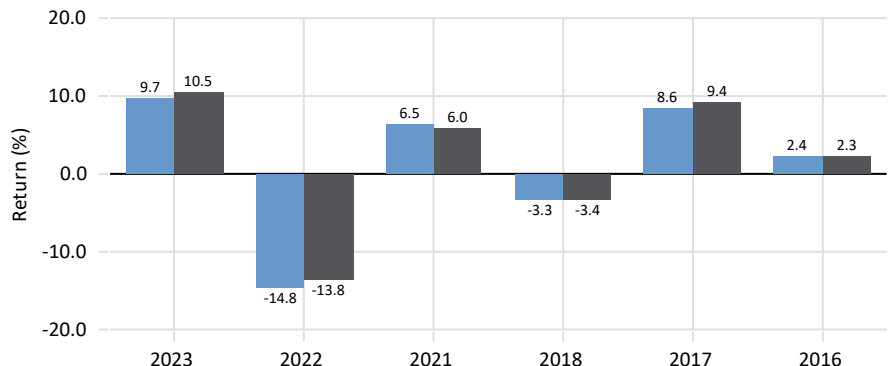
Growth of \$100



Since Inception Risk Statistics

	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Maximum Drawdown	Alpha	Beta
Conservative Pool	7.58	0.30	-17.84	-0.03	0.95
*Conservative Pool Composite	7.87	0.32	-17.87	0.00	1.00

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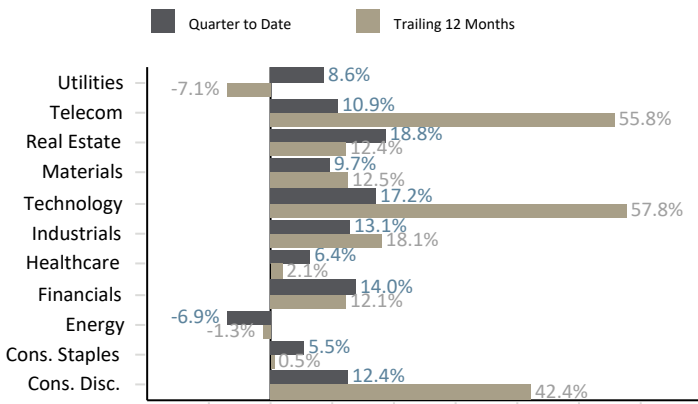
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Market Commentary

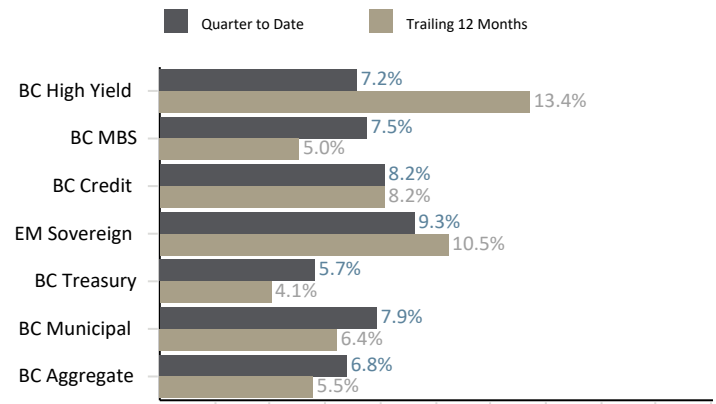
The fourth quarter of 2023 brought positive total returns of 11.7% for the S&P 500, as 10 of its 11 sectors posted gains, with only the energy sector experiencing price declines quarter-over-quarter. Over the same time frame, the Russell 2000 Index, the small-cap benchmark, gained 14%, while the Bloomberg US Aggregate Index, a broad measure of the US bond market, rose 6.8%. Yield-curve inversion continued during the quarter, as short-term debt instruments maintained higher yields than long-term debt instruments. The yield on the 10-year US Treasury note closed the fourth quarter at 3.88%, falling from 4.57% at the end of the third quarter, while the three-month Treasury bill yield declined to 5.33%, from 5.45% at the close of the third quarter.

During the fourth quarter, US equities and fixed income rebounded from a sluggish third quarter. Investor expectations regarding the Federal Reserve's monetary policy shifted throughout the quarter. Most notably, an apparently dovish pivot from the Federal Reserve, captured in its Statement of Economic Projections and Chairman Powell's press conference, propelled fixed income and equity classes to a year-end rally. The exuberance led futures to price more than six rate cuts, in excess of the Fed's signal of just three. Throughout the fourth quarter, the US dollar declined by about 5%, while oil

S&P 500 Sector Performance



Bond Market Performance



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.

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Sources: FactSet, Morgan Stanley Wealth Management GIC.

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