



## ***Assumption Seminary, a blessing to the Church!***

Assumption Seminary is indeed a blessing to the people of the Archdiocese of San Antonio and to those called to the priesthood from throughout the United States and many parts of the world. All who have come before me, archbishops, seminary administration, faculty, staff, and most importantly seminarians have built an inspired foundation for the preparation of men to serve the people of God. Assumption Seminary has established itself in an international leadership role in the formation of future priests who are called to minister in the multicultural reality that requires a special understanding and respect for the diversity that will continue to be the Church of the future.

I pledge my dedication to nurturing the vocations of those who have been called by God to embrace the great mystery that is the priesthood. To all of our seminarians, my prayer for you is that your relationship with Jesus will continue to grow as you prepare to serve His people. I know that the faculty and staff will help you deepen your prayer life, so that as you continue your journey toward ordination you will allow Jesus to show you how to be friend of his, thus allowing the people he places before you experience God in you.

“Assumption” is wonderful name for a seminary, for it was Mary’s willingness to say, “Yes” to God’s call to her vocation as Mother of God, that she received the ultimate reward of being assumed, body and soul into heaven, reunited with God for eternity. Eternal union with God is the hope given to all who are faithful to their vocation.

**Viva Christo Rey!**

***Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller***

