



Greetings Friends,

Located on the south side of Camelback Mountain, Mt. Claret is a favorite retreat center that serves many Diocesan organizations and ministries. Our campus is an oasis where parishes, schools and organizations come for offsite meetings and day retreats. It is also a place where individuals can come and find peace from their daily lives in retreat, and families can hold memorial receptions.

On Saturday, October 9, we are hosting our annual fundraiser, Evening Under the Stars, with a raffle and silent auction. Monies raised will enable us to continue assisting those in need.

As a very special treat, we have asked Bishop Thomas J Olmsted to be our honoree and he has graciously agreed! Bishop Olmsted has been an enormous support to Mt. Claret for many, many years and was pivotal in getting our Chapel Renewal off the ground. His history as a dedicated servant to the Lord is undeniable and his leadership of the Diocese of Phoenix is exceptional. We look forward to seeing him and honoring him.

Like many others accomplishing notable works of charity, Mt. Claret depends on your generous donations and support for its existence. We are looking for donations of high value for this event's silent auction. Some successful items from past events include:

- Gift Certificates for the ever-popular experiences, rounds of golf, restaurants, entertainment, hotels, airlines
- Travel packages to exotic locations
- Weekend or week-long vacation homes
- Fine wines and liquor baskets
- Museum or other cultural organization memberships
- Home Improvement: patio furniture, landscaping services, tool packages
- Outdoor Leisure: bikes, kayak, paddle board, REI gift card, fitness watch, Go Pro camera
- Spa Packages
- Entertainment: theater tickets, movies, restaurants, symphony tickets, WiFi speaker, headphones, iPad, Kindle
- Sports: Diamondbacks/Cardinals/Suns/Coyotes

Please consider donating an item or a gift certificate for goods or services this year. We know that *Evening Under the Stars* will be a success for the Center, thanks to benevolent friends like you. Items can either be dropped off at Mt. Claret or we will be happy to pick them up personally. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office 9am-5pm at 602.840.5066. [Contributions received by Mount Claret are tax-deductible to the fullest amount allowed by current law.](#) Our tax ID# is 32-0268278. We are listed at Mt. Claret Roman Catholic Retreat Center Phoenix with a 501c3 designation.

May God always bless you and your loved ones. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Sincerely,

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