The Virginia Diocesan Center at Roslyn Report for 2025 Annual Convention

As 2026 approaches, we are pleased to reflect on another busy year at Roslyn. By the end of 2025, we will have accommodated more than three hundred groups with 8,000 guests and provided over 30,000 meals. While most have been repeating groups, about a third came to Roslyn for the first time. We were excited to host all of our visitors from church-related groups, non-profit or government organizations, and for-profit businesses.

We completed several projects during 2025. At the beginning of the year, we did much needed tree work around Tucker Hall and along the main drive. We pruned primary trees and removed declining ones. Next year it is our plan to plant new trees to replace the ones that were removed. We also painted the exteriors of Powers, Gibson and Walker Halls and plan to continue exterior painting in 2026. We also expanded our technological infrastructure by adding five new access points throughout the property. In addition to planting trees, exterior painting and keeping up with technology, next year we plan to replace the roofs on Tucker Hall and part of the heating and air conditioning systems in the newer lodge buildings.

From a program standpoint, Roslyn continued to support the Association of Visual Artists in the Diocese of VA - now renamed the Sacred Makers Collective. We look forward to working with and supporting this group again in 2026. In thanks for their hard work, we also welcomed diocesan clergy to Roslyn at the complimentary clergy retreats. Next year's clergy events will take place in January and April. We are also focusing on creative ways to bring new groups and people into the Roslyn fold. We are looking at serving as a stopover location for local Pilgrimage experiences and hosting an overnight book event. Ideas for programs are always welcome!

Led by Bishop Stevenson, Patrick Getlein and Julian Bivins, we could not be more thankful for the excellent guidance and support provided to Roslyn by the Roslyn Managers Corporation and the Memorial Trustees If you have not been to Roslyn lately, please come by for a visit. If you are a regular, we look forward to seeing you again – soon!