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**Common Project Needs for all Three Institutions**

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Endowed Chairs permanently fund a professor’s salary from annually generated revenue restricted for that purpose. Participating in naming opportunities is available.

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An annual donation of $15,000 covers an already subsidized tuition and partial support for one of our dedicated students. We hope you can change a student’s academic career. You might consider organizing a group of friends or fellow parishioners to help the cause.

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Our facilities, from the 1400s to the 1930s, form an integral part of the Historical Center of Rome and require annual upkeep and maintenance.

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Distance learning is now commonplace. New teaching and learning environments demand modernization of facilities and technology upgrades.

**Pontifical Gregorian University—PUG**

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The project entails the conversion of a classroom into a 120-seat multi-functional space in which all the latest technologies of communication and online education can be used. The Centre for Child Protection already has devised programs to be shared and the University has employed IT personnel to help students and faculty learn and use the media to the fullest extent. The classroom is intended as a space where the technologies can be employed by various departments. The current classroom will need extensive renovations to accommodate the technology and to bring it up to building safety specifications.

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*Project Estimate: $148,550*

**Centre for Child Protection (CCP)**

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*Project Estimate: 1 year $59,495*

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**Pontifical Biblical Institute—PIB**

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**The Pharisees - May 2019**

The conference is set to combine a multidisciplinary approach to all the ancient sources about the Pharisees, with careful attention to the effects of opinions voiced about this frequently stereotyped group. It will also attempt to show ways of how prejudices have been overcome and can be laid to rest.

*Project Estimate: $11,400*

**Teleilat Ghassul at 90 - 2020**

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*Project Estimate: $22,800*

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Annually 12-20 students spend their first semester of the licentiate in Jerusalem

*Project Estimate: $1,710 scholarship per student up to $34,200*

**Major Capital Building Projects**

**Biblicum Façade Restoration**

Rome’s historic buildings need periodic work to remain functional for everyday use. The Biblicum’s exterior façade facing the Piazza della Pilotta is now in need of this vital restoration. Professional estimates for this important building have been prepared and are available upon request.

*Project Estimate: $313,500*

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*Project Estimate: $230,000*

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