

Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund Ave Maria Growth Fund Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund Ave Maria Opportunity Fund Ave Maria Bond Fund

Annual Report

#### **Shareholder Accounts**

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#### Dear Shareowner of:

Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund (AVEMX) Ave Maria Growth Fund (AVEGX) Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund (AVEDX) Ave Maria Opportunity Fund (AVESX) Ave Maria Bond Fund (AVEFX) Ave Maria Money Market Account

2007 was an inflection point for the financial markets. At the beginning of the year, the economy was performing well. The Fed's primary focus was on keeping the economy from overheating and holding inflation within acceptable limits. Housing prices were stable. This benign economic picture was reflected in the stock market with low volatility and prices moving generally higher.

Wrinkles in this picture began to appear mid-year when the first inklings of trouble appeared in the form of rapidly rising defaults on sub-prime mortgages. Pools of these sub-prime mortgages had been packaged by Wall Street, and then sold to institutional investors. As the first wave broke, markets staggered but seemed to recover before sliding more precipitously late in the year, as the growing swell of defaults turned into a tsunami sweeping through the banking industry. As it became obvious that there was an oversupply of houses, prices fell and consumers retrenched. Financial services and consumer discretionary stocks came under intense selling pressure. In the bond market, there was a flight to quality, i.e. government bonds, which significantly helped the performance of the Ave Maria Bond Fund.

Within the equity markets, certain sectors dramatically outperformed others. For the first time in several years, large-cap stocks outperformed small-cap stocks, and growth stocks outperformed value stocks. This had a negative effect on performance for our value-oriented Funds but favored the Ave Maria Growth Fund, which had a very good year. (Please read individual portfolio mangers' letters for details on the performance of the individual Funds.)

In early 2008, the incredible losses reported by banks have added to the growing prospects of economic recession. Response to this crisis has been rapid. The Fed has taken an aggressive course to reduce short-term interest rates and ensure

liquidity in the financial system and provide stimulus to the general economy. The federal government is also implementing tax cuts and rebates (fiscal stimulus) to prod economic activity. The effects of these positive steps should not be underestimated. These measures will work with a lag, but they will work. High levels of liquidity worldwide have also been available to recapitalize banks' balance sheets as necessary. There are reasons for optimism.

It is important to remember that the stock market is a leading economic indicator and anticipates future events. By the time you read about it in the newspaper, it's already in the price. By the time economic recovery is obvious, stock prices will have already advanced significantly. That's why experienced investors have always recognized that stocks are most attractively priced for purchase when the business news is terrible and investors are panicky. With the recent market turmoil, many individual stocks have experienced their own bear markets. Accordingly, stocks of financially sound, well-run companies are selling at bargain prices. Indeed, the degree of pessimism currently evident among both retail and institutional investors leads us to believe that a major stock market bottom is near or recently passed. And in that context, our Fund managers have adjusted their portfolios to reflect changing economic conditions.

More than 20,000 people have invested in the Ave Maria Family of Funds. Many investors have said they were attracted by our MORALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTING approach. Besides searching for the best investment opportunities, our portfolio managers screen out companies based on moral guidelines established by our Catholic Advisory Board. These screens eliminate from consideration companies which support abortion, pornography, and companies which offer their employees non-marital partner benefits.

Your participation in the Ave Maria Mutual Funds is appreciated and your comments are welcome.

Sincerely,

George P. Schwartz

George P. Schwartz, CFA
President

February 15, 2008

P.S. Shareholders now have the ability to access their account balances and view transaction history online at www.avemariafunds.com. You may call shareholder services toll-free at 1-888-726-9331 for help in accessing your account information.

Past performance is not predictive of future performance. Investment results and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance data quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end, are available at the Ave Maria Funds website www.avemariafunds.com or by calling 1-888-726-9331.

An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the Funds carefully before investing. The Funds' prospectus contains this and other important information. To obtain a copy of the Funds' prospectus please visit our website or call 1-888-726-9331 and a copy will be sent to you free of charge. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest. The Ave Maria Funds are distributed by Ultimus Fund Distributors, LLC.

The Letters to Shareholders seek to describe some of the adviser's current opinions and views of the financial markets. Although the adviser believes it has a reasonable basis for any opinions or views expressed, actual results may differ, sometimes significantly so, from those expected or expressed. Keep in mind that the information and opinions cover the period through the date of this report.

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## AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

#### Dear Fellow Shareowner:

The Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund's return for 2007 was -4.0% compared to 5.5% for the S&P 500 Index and 8.0% for the S&P 400 MidCap Index. Since inception on May 1, 2001, the Fund's return versus its benchmarks is:

Since 5-01-01 Inception through 12-31-07 Total Returns

<u>Cumulative</u>	Annualized	
79.2%	9.1%	
30.4%	4.1%	
80.2%	9.2%	
	79.2% 30.4%	79.2% 9.1% 30.4% 4.1%

In most years, the Fund's value investment style has generated double-digit returns. 2007 was not one of those years. However, we remained committed to our investment philosophy of buying attractively priced, out of favor stocks of companies with a sustainable competitive advantage, strong management, profitable history and above-average long-term growth potential. In 2007, the market sold down many of these stocks to extraordinarily low prices, indeed lower than the prices at which we judged them to offer great long-term value. Fears that the housing and sub-prime mortgage problems will drive the economy into recession focused investors on near-term deteriorating results, especially in the consumer and financial sectors. This selling was especially magnified in the stocks of smaller companies, as reflected in the Russell 2000 Value Index of small capitalization stocks which produced a –9.8% return in 2007.

Stocks with the most negative impact on the Fund's performance were Pulte Homes, Inc. and The Ryland Group, Inc. (homebuilders), Legg Mason, Inc. and Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc. (financials), and consumer discretionary issues including Chico's FAS, Inc. (retail), and Brunswick Corporation (leisure products). We believe these and the other stocks in the Fund representing these economic sectors offer outstanding appreciation potential once investors are willing to look beyond this valley of economic weakness toward the inevitable recovery.

Not all of the news was bad last year, as the Fund held a number of stellar performers such as Neogen Corporation, Kinetic Concepts, Inc. and Waters Corporation (all in healthcare), Apollo Group, Inc. (education), and Southwestern Energy Company, all of which made a significant positive contribution to the Fund's results. As always, none of the Fund's investments violated any of the Fund's moral screens regarding abortion, pornography or the offering of non-marital partner employee benefits.

## AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Continued)

Late in the year, we significantly restructured the portfolio by selling issues which had questionable recovery potential. We reduced exposure to the home furnishing industry through the sale of Leggett & Platt, Inc. and American Woodmark Corporation. Student Loan Corporation and TCF Financial Corporation had loan portfolio quality concerns. Mylan Laboratories, Inc. and Teleflex, Inc. made major acquisitions, which increased their debt loads and reduced their attractiveness. Mine Safety Appliances and Transocean, Inc. appeared fully valued and Alltel Corp. and Manor Care, Inc. were acquired by private investor groups.

Proceeds from these sales were invested into new positions. Belden Inc., Foster Wheeler, Ltd., Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. and Trinity Industries, Inc. were purchased for their attractive global energy and transportation infrastructure businesses. Other new holdings include RPM International Inc. (additives), La-Z-Boy, Inc. (furniture) and Rofin-Sinar Technologies, Inc. (scientific testing equipment). We also added some larger companies including Western Union Company and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation.

Thank you for your commitment and support.

George P. Schwarts

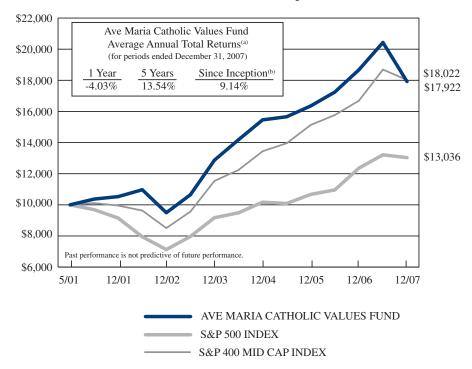
Sincerely,

George P. Schwartz, CFA Co-Portfolio Manager Gregory R. Heilman, CFA Co-Portfolio Manager

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## AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the S&P 500 Index, and the S&P 400 Mid Cap Index



<sup>(</sup>a) The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2001) through December 31, 2007.

### AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND ANNUAL TOTAL RATES OF RETURN COMPARISON WITH MAJOR INDICES (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND	S&P 500 INDEX	S&P 400 MID CAP INDEX	S&P 600 SMALL CAP INDEX	NASDAQ COMPOSITE®	VALUE LINE COMPOSITE(b)
2001 (a)	5.3%	-8.5%	-0.5%	5.0%	-10.1%	-7.3%
2002	-9.8%	-22.1%	-14.5%	-14.6%	-31.5%	-28.6%
2003	35.6%	28.7%	35.6%	38.8%	50.0%	37.4%
2004	20.1%	10.9%	16.5%	22.7%	8.6%	11.5%
2005	5.8%	4.9%	12.6%	7.7%	1.4%	2.0%
2006	14.2%	15.8%	10.3%	15.1%	9.5%	11.0%
2007	-4.0%	5.5%	8.0%	-0.3%	9.8%	-3.8%

# **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS As of December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)**

A	VE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND	S&P 500 INDEX	S&P 400 MID CAP INDEX	S&P 600 SMALL CAP INDEX	NASDAQ COMPOSITE (b)	VALUE LINE COMPOSITE (b)
3 Years	5.1%	8.6%	10.3%	7.3%	6.8%	2.9%
5 Years	13.5%	12.8%	16.2%	16.0%	14.7%	10.8%
Since Inception	9.1%	4.1%	9.2%	10.0%	3.1%	1.5%

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2001) through December 31, 2001.

<sup>(</sup>b) Excluding dividends.

### AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets	
550,000	Gentex Corporation	\$9,773,500	4.0%	
275,000	Zebra Technologies Corporation - Class A	9,542,500	3.9%	
175,000	Kinetic Concepts, Inc.	9,373,000	3.8%	
100,000	Waters Corporation	7,907,000	3.2%	
475,000	ION Geophysical Corporation	7,495,500	3.0%	
500,000	Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc.	7,255,000	2.9%	
80,000	General Dynamics Corporation	7,119,200	2.9%	
700,000	Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc	6,587,000	2.7%	
170,000	Graco, Inc.	6,334,200	2.6%	
75,000	United Technologies Corporation	5,740,500	2.3%	

### **ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)**

Sector	% of Net Assets
Aerospace & Defense	4.6%
Building Materials & Construction	3.8%
Business Services	2.1%
Consumer - Durables	5.9%
Consumer - Nondurables	5.0%
Consumer - Retail	5.9%
Education	1.3%
Energy & Mining	10.3%
Finance	17.0%
Healthcare	9.4%
Industrial Products & Services	22.4%
Real Estate	0.7%
Technology	6.3%
Transportation	1.5%
Cash Equivalents, Other Assets and Liabilities	3.8%
	100.0%

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2007

Shares   COMMON STOCKS - 96.2%		<u> </u>	
American Science and Engineering, Inc.   \$4,256,250   7,119,200   11,375,450   11	Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 96.2%	Market Value
American Science and Engineering, Inc.   \$4,256,250   7,119,200   11,375,450   11		AEROSPACE & DEFENSE — 4.6%	
Solution	75 000		\$ 4.256.250
175,000		General Dynamics Corporation	
BUILDING MATERIALS & CONSTRUCTION — 3.8%   Champion Enterprises, Inc. *	00,000	Constant 2 January Corporation	
175,000   Champion Enterprises, Inc. *			11,575,450
300,000			
100,000			
1,728,350   9,293,850     1,728,350     9,293,850		Pulte Homes, Inc.	
Susiness services - 2.1%   724,500   165,000   Neogen Corporation *   4,380,750   5,105,250     (278,483   Craftmade International, Inc   2,297,485     (2379,000   125,000   Thor Industries, Inc   2,799,000     (247,51),250     (255,000   125,000   Sherwin-Williams Company (The)   (258,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000   12,285,900     (268,000     (268		Ryland Group, Inc. (The)	
25,000   Diebold, Incorporated	65,000	Simpson Manufacturing Company, Inc.	
25,000			9,293,850
25,000		BUSINESS SERVICES — 2.1%	
165,000   Neogen Corporation *	25,000		724.500
CONSUMER - DURABLES - 5.9%		Neogen Corporation *	
CONSUMER - DURABLES - 5.9%   Brunswick Corporation   2,131,250   278,483   65,000   Harley-Davidson, Inc.   3,036,150   300,000   La-Z-Boy Incorporated   2,379,000   125,000   Thor Industries, Inc.   4,751,250   14,595,135	105,000	1 teogen corporation	
125,000			3,103,230
278,483       Craftmade International, Inc.       2,297,485         65,000       Harley-Davidson, Inc.       3,036,150         300,000       La-Z-Boy Incorporated       2,379,000         125,000       Thor Industries, Inc.       4,751,250         265,000       Lifetime Brands, Inc.       3,439,700         50,000       RC2 Corporation *       1,403,500         75,000       Sherwin-Williams Company (The)       4,353,000         45,000       VF Corporation       3,089,700         120,000       Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. *       3,526,800         485,000       Chico's FAS, Inc. *       4,379,550         110,000       Ross Stores, Inc. *       2,851,200         150,000       Ross Stores, Inc.       3,835,500         EDUCATION — 1.3%       13%			
Harley-Davidson, Inc.   3,036,150   2,379,000   125,000   Thor Industries, Inc.   4,751,250   14,595,135		Brunswick Corporation	
300,000		Craftmade International, Inc.	
Thor Industries, Inc.		Harley-Davidson, Inc.	3,036,150
CONSUMER - NONDURABLES — 5.0%		La-Z-Boy Incorporated	
CONSUMER - NONDURABLES — 5.0%   3,439,700   50,000   RC2 Corporation *   1,403,500   45,000   VF Corporation   30,89,700   12,285,900   12,285,900	125,000	Thor Industries, Inc.	
265,000       Lifetime Brands, Inc.       3,439,700         50,000       RC2 Corporation *			14,595,135
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75,000   Sherwin-Williams Company (The)   4,353,000   3,089,700   12,285,900   12,285,900      CONSUMER - RETAIL — 5.9%   Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. * 4,379,550   10,000   Chico's FAS, Inc. * 4,379,550   10,000   Ross Stores, Inc. * 2,851,200   14,593,050      EDUCATION — 1.3%			
45,000 VF Corporation		Sherwin-Williams Company (The)	
12,285,900	45,000	VF Corporation	
120,000       Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. *	ŕ	1	
120,000       Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. *		CONCLIMED DETAIL 5.0%	
485,000   Chico's FAS, Inc. *	120,000		3 526 800
110,000   Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. *		Chico's FAS Inc. *	
150,000 Ross Stores, Inc. 3,835,500 14,593,050		Dollar Tree Stores Inc. *	
EDUCATION — 13%			
EDUCATION – 13%	150,000	NOSS GROICS, IIIC.	
45,000   EDUCATION — 1.3% Apollo Group, Inc Class A *			14,393,030
45,000   Apollo Group, Inc Class A *		EDUCATION $-1.3\%$	
	45,000	Apollo Group, Inc Class A *	3,156,750

# **AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 96.2% (Continued)	Market Value
	ENERGY & MINING — 10.3%	
10,000	ConocoPhillips	\$ 883,000
20,000	Exxon Mobil Corporation	1,873,800
150,000	Halliburton Company	5,686,500
475,000	ION Geophysical Corporation *	7,495,500
90,000	Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.	1,756,800
75,000	Southwestern Energy Company *	4,179,000
250,000	TXCO Resources, Inc. *	3,015,000
12,500	XTO Energy Inc.	642,000
12,500	ATO Energy file.	
		25,531,600
	FINANCE - BANKS & THRIFTS — 3.8%	
15,000	BB&T Corporation	460,050
500,000	Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc.	7,255,000
75,000	Synovus Financial Corporation	1,806,000
		9,521,050
	FINANCE - INSURANCE — 8.6%	
210,000	American Safety Insurance Holdings, Ltd. *	4,126,500
40,000	Everest Re Group, Ltd.	4,016,000
80,000	Hanover Insurance Group, Inc. (The)	3,664,000
700,000	Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. *	6,587,000
282,945	Unico American Corporation *	2,900,186
202,7 13	one interior corporation	21,293,686
	FINANCE - SERVICES — 4.6%	
120,000	FINANCE - SERVICES — 4.0%	1 926 000
120,000	First Marblehead Corporation (The)	1,836,000
65,000	Legg Mason, Inc.	4,754,750
200,000	Western Union Company	4,856,000
		11,446,750
	HEALTHCARE — 9.4%	
30,000	Beckman Coulter, Inc.	2,184,000
175,000	Kinetic Concepts, Inc. *	9,373,000
50,000	Stryker Corporation	3,736,000
100,000	Waters Corporation *	7,907,000
		23,200,000
	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES — 22.4%	
90,000	Balchem Corporation	2,014,200
90,000	Belden Inc.	4,005,000
70,000	Caterpillar Inc.	5,079,200
15,000	Foster Wheeler, Ltd. *	2,325,300
550,000	Gentex Corporation	9,773,500
50,000	Genuine Parts Company	2,315,000
170,000	Graco, Inc.	6,334,200
75,000	ITT Corporation	4,953,000
100,000	Johnson Controls, Inc.	3,604,000
100,000	Johnson Condols, IIIC.	3,004,000

# **AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 96.2% (Continued)	Market Value
	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES $-22.4\%$	
• • • • • •	(Continued)	
35,000	Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc.	\$ 2,491,300
20,000	Rofin-Sinar Technologies, Inc. *	962,200
85,000	RPM International Inc.	1,725,500
20,000	Stericycle, Inc. *	1,188,000
100,000	Trinity Industries, Inc.	2,776,000
75,000	United Technologies Corporation	5,740,500
		55,286,900
	REAL ESTATE - 0.7%	
50,000		1 720 000
50,000	HCP, Inc.	1,739,000
	TECHNOLOGY – 6.3%	
135,000	ADTRAN, Inc.	2,886,300
15,000	Century Tel, Inc.	621,900
100,000	Stratasys, Inc. *	2,584,000
275,000	Zebra Technologies Corporation - Class A *	9,542,500
,		15,634,700
4.5000	TRANSPORTATION – 15%	
45,000	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation	3,745,350
	<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b> (Cost \$206,654,697)	\$237,804,421

Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 4.6%	Market Value
11,372,352	Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares (Cost \$11,372,352)	\$ 11,372,352
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT MARKET VALUE — 100.8% (Cost \$218,027,049)	\$249,176,773
	LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS $-$ (0.8%)	(1,981,327)
	NET ASSETS — 100.0%	\$247,195,446

<sup>\*</sup> Non-income producing security.

See notes to financial statements.

### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

#### Dear Fellow Shareholders:

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Growth Fund had a total return of 11.6% compared with 5.5% for the S&P 500 Index. For the three years ended December 31, 2007, the Fund's total return was 9.0% annualized compared with 8.6% annualized for the S&P 500 Index. Since inception (May 1, 2003), the Fund's total return was 15.3%, annualized compared with 12.7% annualized for the S&P 500. During each period, stock selection within the context of our disciplined approach to portfolio management can be credited for the outperformance.

The top five performing issues in the Ave Maria Growth Fund for 2007 were:

Occidental Petroleum Corporation (Integrated Oil & Gas)	+60.1%
Waters Corporation (Life Sciences Tools & Services)	+58.7%
AMETEK, Inc. (Electronic Instruments & Electromechanical Devices)	+48.5%
Frontier Oil Corporation (Oil Refining & Marketing)	+44.3%
Mettler-Toledo International Inc. (Electronic Instruments & Equipment)	+44.3%

#### The bottom five performing issues were:

Coach, Inc. (Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods)	-44.3%
Harley-Davidson, Inc. (Motorcycle Manufacturer)	-32.3%
Franklin Electric Company, Inc. (Submersible Pumps & Equipment)	-25.1%
Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. (Home Furnishing Retail)	-24.3%
Brown & Brown Inc (Insurance Broker)	-16.9%

The Fund is diversified among eight out of eleven S&P 500 economic sectors:

Consumer Staples	6.6%
Consumer Cyclicals	11.5%
Financial	7.6%
Transportation	4.2%
Energy	12.2%
Capital Goods	34.7%
Technology	7.3%
Health Care	15.9%

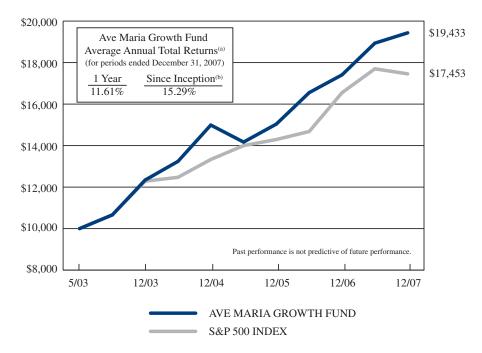
Respectfully,

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James L. Bashaw, CFA Portfolio Manager

## **AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)**

### Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the S&P 500 Index



<sup>(</sup>a) The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2007.

### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND ANNUAL TOTAL RATES OF RETURN COMPARISON WITH MAJOR INDICES (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
2003 (a)	23.4%	22.8%
2004	21.5%	10.9%
2005	0.3%	4.9%
2006	15.8%	15.8%
2007	11.6%	5.5%

## **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS As of December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)**

	AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
3 Years	9.0%	8.6%
Since Inception	15.3%	12.7%

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2003.

### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
88,800	Varian Medical Systems, Inc	\$4,631,808	4.0%
47,800	C.R. Bard, Inc.	4,531,440	3.9%
56,800	Stryker Corporation	4,244,096	3.6%
129,900	SEI Investments Company	4,178,883	3.6%
100,900	Frontier Oil Corporation	4,094,522	3.5%
77,625	XTO Energy, Inc.	3,986,820	3.4%
60,300	ITT Corporation	3,982,212	3.4%
44,700	Danaher Corporation	3,921,978	3.4%
46,300	Dionex Corporation	3,836,418	3.3%
53,300	Rockwell Collins, Inc.	3,836,001	3.3%

### **ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)**

Sector	% of Net Assets
Aerospace & Defense	8.1%
Business Services	4.7%
Consumer - Durables	8.6%
Consumer - Nondurables	4.5%
Consumer - Retail	2.5%
Energy & Mining	12.0%
Finance	
Food & Tobacco	3.1%
Healthcare	16.9%
Industrial Products & Services	
Technology	6.4%
Cash Equivalents, Other Assets and Liabilities	0.3%
	_100.0%

### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2007

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 99.7%	Market Value
	AEROSPACE & DEFENSE — 8.1%	
26,300	Alliant Techsystems, Inc. *	\$ 2,991,888
29,200	General Dynamics Corporation	2,598,508
53,300	Rockwell Collins, Inc.	3,836,001
23,300	Rockweit Collins, Inc.	9,426,397
	BUSINESS SERVICES — 4.7%	
53,000	Accenture Ltd Class A	1,909,590
186,000	Rollins, Inc.	3,571,200
100,000	Tomis, no.	5,480,790
	CONSUMER - DURABLES — 8.6%	
34,000	Black & Decker Corporation (The)	2,368,100
51,300	Harley-Davidson, Inc.	2,396,223
38,200	Polaris Industries, Inc.	1,824,814
63,900	Toro Company (The)	3,478,716
05,900	Toro Company (The)	
		10,067,853
	CONSUMER - NONDURABLES — 4.5%	l
50,000	Coach, Inc. *	1,529,000
98,300	McCormick & Company, Inc.	3,726,553
		5,255,553
	CONSUMER - RETAIL — 2.5%	l
60,100	Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. *	1,766,339
46,300	Ross Stores, Inc.	1,183,891
		2,950,230
	ENERGY & MINING — 12.0%	l
23,000	Exxon Mobil Corporation	2,154,870
100,900	Frontier Oil Corporation	4,094,522
48,800	Occidental Petroleum Corporation	3,757,112
77,625	XTO Energy, Inc.	3,986,820
77,025	TITO Energy, me.	13,993,324
		13,773,324
	FINANCE - INSURANCE — 2.9%	
144,200	Brown & Brown, Inc.	3,388,700
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	FINANCE - SERVICES — 4.8%	l
25,950	FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	1,445,415
129,900	SEI Investments Company	4,178,883
		5,624,298
	FOOD & TOBACCO — 3.1%	ı
69,700	Kellogg Company	3,654,371
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# **AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 99.7% (Continued)	Market Value
	HEALTHCARE — 16.9%	
29,300	Beckman Coulter, Inc.	\$ 2,133,040
47,800	C. R. Bard, Inc.	4,531,440
55,500	Patterson Companies, Inc. *	1.884.225
56,800	Stryker Corporation	4,244,096
88,800	Varian Medical Systems, Inc. *	4,631,808
28,600	Waters Corporation *	2,261,402
20,000	, where corporation	19,686,011
	INDUCTORAL DOODLIGTO & CEDVICES 25.40	
71 400	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES – 25.2%	2 244 276
71,400	AMETEK, Inc.	3,344,376
61,800	CLARCOR, Inc.	2,346,546
44,700	Danaher Corporation	3,921,978
61,400	Donaldson Company, Inc.	2,847,732
49,100	Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	2,193,788
42,300	Franklin Electric Company, Inc.	1,618,821
88,400	Graco, Inc.	3,293,784
60,300	ITT Corporation	3,982,212
81,900	Johnson Controls, Inc.	2,951,676
67,500	Landstar System, Inc.	2,845,125
		29,346,038
	TECHNOLOGY — 6.4%	
46,300	Dionex Corporation *	3,836,418
31,900	Mettler-Toledo International Inc. *	3,630,220
21,200		7,466,638
		7,100,030
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$94,529,944)	\$ 116,340,203

Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 0.5%	Market Value
Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 0.5 /0	Market value
588,695	Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares (Cost \$588,695)	\$ 588,695
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT MARKET VALUE — 100.2% (Cost \$95,118,639)	\$ 116,928,898
	LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS $-$ (0.2%)	( 191,624 )
	NET ASSETS — 100.0%	<u>\$ 116,737,274</u>

<sup>\*</sup> Non-income producing security.

See notes to financial statements.

### AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

#### Dear Fellow Shareholders:

In 2007, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund had a total return of -0.6%. This compares with -2.1% for the Standard & Poors Dividend Aristocrat Index and 5.5% for the Standard & Poors 500 Index. It was a rough year for stocks generally, and a particularly rough year for dividend-paying stocks. As the accompanying table illustrates, those stocks in the S&P 500 with the highest dividend yields at the beginning of 2007 had the lowest total returns for the year, while those with the lowest dividend yield performed the best.

#### Returns for S&P 500 Companies by Quintiles

	Dividend Yield	Total Return
Quintile	as of 12/31/06	for 2007
1	0.0%	12.3%
2	0.4%	9.8%
3	1.1%	5.1%
4	1.9%	2.6%
5	3.4%	-4.8%

Source: StockVal

Of course, our Fund doesn't buy stocks that just pay dividends. We focus on companies that pay a rising stream of dividends, and continue to believe that this investment strategy will produce favorable long-term results with below average risks.

Our best performing issues in 2007 included energy-related Exxon Mobil Corporation (+24%), and healthcare issues Stryker Corporation (+36%), Beckman Coulter, Inc. (+23%), and Becton, Dickinson and Company (+21%). Beyond that, Johnson Controls, Inc. (automotive supplier) and W.W. Grainger, Inc. (business supplies and services) were each up 27%.

Driven in large part by the fears that began with the sub-prime mortgage market, financial services stocks performed poorly during the year. The portfolio was negatively affected by Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc. (–41%), TCF Financial Corporation (–31%), and BB&T Corporation (–26%). Reflecting fear of the slowing economy, consumer discretionary stocks such as Cato Corporation also did poorly, down (–28%).

Even though the Fund had a disappointing year in 2007, most of the portfolio companies continued to raise their dividends. Over 95% of them raised their dividends during the year by an average of 15%.

## AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Continued)

The companies in the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund have been selected because of their proven ability to raise their dividends even during turbulent periods. We expect them to continue to do so. For those investors whose time horizon is long-term, we believe the future is bright for this Fund. In our opinion, the current period of investor anxiety has produced opportunities to acquire shares of excellent companies at bargain prices.

We appreciate your participation in the Fund.

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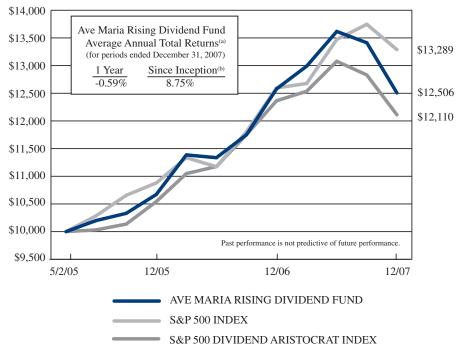
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## **AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)**

# Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the S&P 500 Index, and the S&P 500 Dividend Aristocrat Index



<sup>(</sup>a) The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 2, 2005) through December 31, 2007.

# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
35,000	Exxon Mobil Corporation	\$3,279,150	4.0%
150,000	RPM International Inc.	3,045,000	3.7%
75,000	Halliburton Company	2,843,250	3.4%
70,000	Hormel Foods Corporation	2,833,600	3.4%
37,000	Laboratory Corporation		
	of America Holdings	2,794,610	3.4%
105,000	Ross Stores, Inc.	2,684,850	3.2%
70,000	R.R. Donnelley & Sons Company	2,641,800	3.2%
35,000	Legg Mason, Inc.	2,560,250	3.1%
30,000	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation	2,496,900	3.0%
30,000	PartnerRe Ltd.	2,475,900	3.0%

### **ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)**

Sector	% of Net Assets
Aerospace & Defense	2.7%
Business Services	1.7%
Consumer - Durables	4.3%
Consumer - Nondurables	4.7%
Consumer - Retail	4.8%
Energy & Mining	9.2%
Finance	18.3%
Food & Tobacco	7.4%
Healthcare	9.1%
Industrial Products & Services	25.4%
Printing & Publishing	3.2%
Transportation	5.7%
Cash Equivalents, Other Assets and Liabilities	3.5%
	100.0%

# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2007

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Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 96.5%	Market Value
25,000	AEROSPACE & DEFENSE — 2.7% General Dynamics Corporation	\$ 2,224,750
23,000	Octicial Dynamics Corporation	\$ 2,224,730
<b>5</b> 0,000	BUSINESS SERVICES — 1.7%	1 440 000
50,000	Diebold, Incorporated	1,449,000
<b>#</b> 0.000	CONSUMER - DURABLES — 4.3%	
50,000	Harley-Davidson, Inc.	2,335,500
35,000	HNI Corporation	1,227,100
		3,562,600
	CONSUMER - NONDURABLES — 4.7%	
40,000	Scotts Miracle-Gro Company - Class A (The)	1,496,800
24,000	Sherwin-Williams Company (The)	1,392,960
15,000	VF Corporation	1,029,900
		3,919,660
	CONSUMER - RETAIL — 4.8%	
81,900	Cato Corporation - Class A (The)	1,282,554
105,000	Ross Stores, Inc.	2,684,850
,		3,967,404
	ENERGY & MINING — 9.2%	
35,000	Exxon Mobil Corporation	3,279,150
75,000	Halliburton Company	2,843,250
15,000	Schlumberger Limited	1,475,550
13,000	Schlamotiger Emilied	7,597,950
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70,000	FINANCE - BANKS & THRIFTS — 8.5% BB&T Corporation	2,146,900
100,000	Citizana Danuhlia Danaam Ina	1,451,000
80,000	Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc. Synovus Financial Corporation	1,926,400
20,000	TCF Financial Corporation	358,600
40,000	United Bankshares, Inc.	1,120,800
+0,000	Office Bankshares, Inc.	7,003,700
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75,000	FINANCE - INSURANCE — 6.7%	1 014 250
75,000	Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	1,814,250
25,000	Mercury General Corporation	1,245,250
30,000	Faithere Fig.	2,475,900
		5,535,400

# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 96.5% (Continued)	Market Value
	FINANCE - SERVICES — 3.1%	
35,000	Legg Mason, Inc.	\$ 2,560,250
	FOOD & TOBACCO – 7.4%	
28,000	ConAgra Foods, Inc.	666,120
70,000	Hormel Foods Corporation	2,833,600
10,000	J.M. Smucker Company (The)	514,400
40,000	Kellogg Company	2,097,200
40,000	Kenogg Company	
		6,111,320
	HEALTHCARE — 9.1%	
13,500	Beckman Coulter, Inc.	982,800
15,000	Becton, Dickinson & Company	1,253,700
37,000	Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings *	2,794,610
33,000	Stryker Corporation	2,465,760
,		7,496,870
		7,120,070
	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES — 25.4%	
30,000	Caterpillar Inc.	2,176,800
2,000	Ecolab, Inc.	102,420
100,000	Gentex Corporation	1,777,000
30,000	Genuine Parts Company	1,389,000
65,000	Graco, Inc.	2,421,900
60,000	Johnson Controls, Inc.	2,162,400
25,000	Raven Industries, Inc.	959,750
150,000	RPM International Inc.	3,045,000
25,000	Stanley Works (The)	1,212,000
30,000	United Technologies Corporation	2,296,200
75,000	Waste Management, Inc	2,450,250
12,000	W.W. Grainger, Inc.	1,050,240
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	DDANIENIG A DVIDI KOVIDIG AAG	
<b>=</b> 0.000	PRINTING & PUBLISHING — 3.2%	2 644 000
70,000	R.R. Donnelley & Sons Company	2,641,800
	TRANSPORTATION — 5.7%	
30,000	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation	2,496,900
25,000	CSX Corporation	1,099,500
22,500	Norfolk Southern Corporation	1,134,900
22,300	Troffolk Southern Corporation	4,731,300
		4,731,300
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$79,111,651)	79,844,964
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# **AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 3.5%	Market Value
2,894,801	Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares (Cost \$2,894,801)	\$ 2,894,801
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT MARKET VALUE — 100.0% (Cost \$82,006,452)	\$ 82,739,765
	OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES $-0.0\%$	2,760
	NET ASSETS — 100.0%	\$ 82,742,525

<sup>\*</sup> Non-income producing security.

See notes to financial statements.

### AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

#### Dear Fellow Shareholders:

Last year was a challenging year for small-cap value investors. While small-cap stocks underperformed their large-cap brethren, value stocks were trounced by growth stocks. Several small-cap value stock indices fell sharply during the year, including the Russell 2000 Value Index, which declined 9.8%. The Ave Maria Opportunity Fund declined 8.5% during 2007, compared to a 1.6% decline for the Russell 2000 Index, and a 0.3% decline for the S&P 600 SmallCap Index. Since inception on May 1, 2006, the Fund's annualized total return is -0.6%, compared to 1.6% for the Russell 2000 Index and 1.1% for the S&P 600 SmallCap Index.

The Fund's less than satisfactory performance in 2007 was primarily attributable to its consumer and financial holdings. Of the Fund's 25 worst performing stocks during the year, nine were financials, and ten were consumer related. These stocks, which looked inexpensive at the time of purchase, continued to get cheaper as the year unfolded. Essentially we underestimated the magnitude of the credit crisis and the collapsing housing market. What began as strictly a sub-prime mortgage problem early last year, has filtered throughout financial markets, negatively impacting housing prices, consumer sentiment, consumer spending, and a broad spectrum of financial institutions and specialty retailers. Consumer and financial related companies that had an outsized negative effect on performance during the year included Chico's FAS, Inc. (women's apparel retailing), Select Comfort Corporation (Sleep Number beds), Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation (firearms), AmTrust Financial Corporation (regional banking), and Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc. (regional banking). Stocks which contributed positively to performance in 2007 included Sun Hydraulics Corporation (+87%), Raven Industries, Inc. (+45%), Kinetic Concepts, Inc. (+39%), and Harris Corporation (+38%). Unfortunately, the winners were more than offset by the declines in the Fund's consumer and financial stock holdings.

The Fund has been re-positioned in recent months, with a greater emphasis on higher quality and somewhat larger companies. Characteristics of high quality companies include, among others, a long track record of rising sales and profits (in good and poor economic climates), high profit margins owing to proprietary products and services, low capital spending needs resulting in strong free cash flow, and above average returns on equity and capital, with little or no debt leverage. Due to the recent small-cap carnage, we were able to purchase several high quality companies at distressed prices, including AZZ, Inc. (energy infrastructure), CommScope, Inc. (communication and networking equipment), FactSet Research Systems, Inc. (financial data services), RADVision Ltd. (teleconferencing equipment), and Rimage Corporation (DVD-recordable publishing systems).

## AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Continued)

Also, on a positive note, the expense ratio for the Fund continues to be below the industry average for small-cap equity funds. According to Morningstar, the average small-cap value equity fund had a total expense ratio of 1.51% as of December 31, 2007, while our Fund had an expense ratio of 1.25% after fee waivers.

Your continued interest and investment in the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund is greatly appreciated.

With best regards,

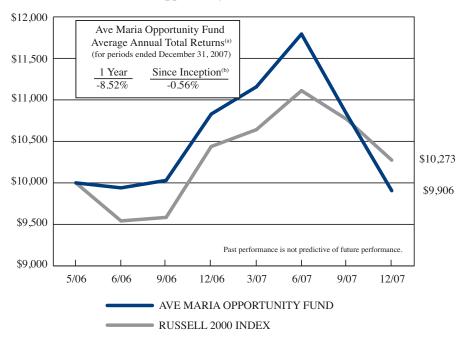
Timothy S. Schwartz, CFA

Jim Solling

Portfolio Manager

## **AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)**

### Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund and the Russell 2000 Index



<sup>(</sup>a) The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2006) through December 31, 2007.

### AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
26,000	Zebra Technologies Corporation - Class A	\$902,200	5.0%
14,000	Kinetic Concepts, Inc.	749,840	4.1%
80,000	Chico's FAS, Inc.	722,400	4.0%
16,500	Graco, Inc.	614,790	3.4%
221,600	Continucare Corporation	598,320	3.3%
20,000	Sun Hydraulics Corporation	504,600	2.8%
70,000	Select Comfort Corporation	490,700	2.7%
22,600	ADTRAN, Inc.	483,188	2.7%
8,400	American Science and Engineering, Inc	476,700	2.6%
30,000	ION Geophysical Corporation	473,400	2.6%

### **ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)**

Sector	% of Net Assets
Aerospace & Defense	4.8%
Apparel & Textiles	3.0%
Business Services	0.8%
Consumer - Durables	8.6%
Consumer - Nondurables	1.9%
Consumer - Retail	9.9%
Energy & Mining	4.0%
Finance	12.3%
Healthcare	10.0%
Industrial Products & Services	18.9%
Technology	13.8%
Transportation	2.1%
Cash Equivalents, Other Assets and Liabilities	9.9%
	100.0%

# AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2007

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 90.1%	Market Value
	AEROSPACE & DEFENSE — 4.8%	
8,400	American Science and Engineering, Inc. *	\$ 476,700
6,200	Harris Corporation	388,616
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4,300	APPAREL & TEXTILES — 3.0%	100 507
70,600	Columbia Sportswear Company Tefron Ltd. *	189,587 348,764
70,000	Tenon Ltd.	
		538,351
	BUSINESS SERVICES — 0.8%	
4,600	Courier Corporation	151,846
	CONSUMER - DURABLES — 8.6%	
10,000	HNI Corporation	350,600
16,400	La-Z-Boy Incorporated	130,052
70,000	Select Comfort Corporation *	490,700
35,000	Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation *	213,500
10,000	Thor Industries, Inc.	380,100
,	,	1,564,952
	CONSUMER - NONDURABLES — 1.9%	
15,000	Acme United Corporation	215,250
7,100	K-Swiss, Inc Class A	128,510
,	,	343,760
	CONSUMER - RETAIL — 9.9%	
80,000	Chico's FAS, Inc. *  Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. *	722,400
7,200	Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. *	186,624
2,600	Foot Locker, Inc.	35,516
8,400	Hibbett Sports, Inc. *	167,832
16,500	Ross Stores, Inc.	421,905
30,000	Sally Beauty Holdings, Inc. *	271,500
		1,805,777
	ENERGY & MINING — 4.0%	
30,000	ION Geophysical Corporation *	473,400
12,500	Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.	244,000
,		717,400
	FINANCE - BANKS & THRIFTS — 7.8%	
45	AmTrust Financial Corporation	315,000
2,600	Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc.	70,408
15,000	Century Bancorp, Inc Class A	302,550
10,000	Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc	145,100
2,500	Clarkston Financial Corporation *	20,000
5,600	FNBH Bancorp, Inc.	75,600
4,000	Hudson City Bancorp, Inc.	60,080
4,000	Macatawa Bank Corporation	34,360

# **AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 90.1% (Continued)	Market Value
	FINANCE - BANKS & THRIFTS — 7.8% (Continued)	l .
3,789	Oxford Bank Corporation	\$ 99,082
4,800	People's United Financial, Inc.	85,440
3,300	PrivateBancorp, Inc.	107,745
9,400	Westfield Financial, Inc.	91,180
		1,406,545
	FINANCE - INSURANCE — 4.5%	
10,000	Fremont Michigan InsuraCorp, Inc Class A *	192,000
50,000	Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. *	470,500
15,000	Unico American Corporation *	153,750
,		816,250
	HEALTHCARE — 10.0%	
10,000	Computer Programs & Systems, Inc.	227,400
221,600	Continucare Corporation *	598,320
14,000	Kinetic Concepts, Inc. *	749,840
15,300	Psychemedics Corporation	245,565
13,300	rsychemetrics Corporation	1,821,125
		1,021,123
44.000	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES — 18.9%	
11,300	Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc.	327,926
25,000	Gentex Corporation	444,250
16,500	Graco, Inc.	614,790
5,100	Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc.	363,018
12,000	Raven Industries, Inc.	460,680
4,400	Rofin-Sinar Technologies, Inc. *	211,684
20,400	RPM International Inc.	414,120
20,000	Sun Hydraulics Corporation	504,600
3,400	Trinity Industries, Inc.	94,384
		3,435,452
	TECHNOLOGY — 13.8%	
22,600	ADTRAN, Inc.	483,188
8,400	Cognex Corporation	169,260
5,400	CommScope, Inc. *	265,734
10,000	MTS Systems Corporation	426,700
2,600	Rimage Corporation *	67,470
2,000	SPSS, Inc. *	71,820
10,000	Stamps.com, Inc. *	121,800
26,000	Zebra Technologies Corporation - Class A *	902,200
,		2,508,172
	TRANSPORTATION — 2.1%	
20,200	American Railcar Industries, Inc.	388,850
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	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$16,525,782)	\$ 16,363,796

# **AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 9.8%	Market Value
844,000	Federated Government Obligations	Φ 044,000
843,730	Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares	\$ 844,000 843,730
94,730	Federated U.S. Treasury Cash	013,730
	Reserve Fund - Institutional Shares	94,730
	TOTAL CASH EQUIVALENTS (Cost \$1,782,460)	\$ 1,782,460
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT MARKET VALUE — 99.9% (Cost \$18,308,242)	\$ 18,146,256
	OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES — 0.1%	17,217
	NET ASSETS — 100.0%	\$ 18,163,473

<sup>\*</sup> Non-income producing security.

See notes to financial statements.

### AVE MARIA BOND FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Bond Fund (Class R) had a total return of 4.8%, compared to the return of the Lehman Brothers Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Index of 7.4%.

2007 was a year of dramatic change in the U.S. credit markets. At the beginning of the year, interest rates were relatively high with the yield on the 10 year Treasury note at 4.7%. The yield curve was flat with little difference between the yields on 2, 10 and 30 year Treasuries. Credit spreads were narrow between bonds of differing credit quality. In that environment, the highest quality bonds – U.S. Treasuries – were undervalued, so we significantly overweighted them in the portfolio. During the year, as we expected, interest rates fell across the maturity spectrum with the biggest drop at the short-end, creating an upwardly sloped yield curve. With investors sobered by the melt down in the sub-prime mortgage market, credit spreads widened significantly and U.S. Treasuries outperformed, which helped the Fund.

As these events unfolded, we made a number of changes in the portfolio. When Treasury prices rose in relation to corporate bonds, we sold Treasuries and bought corporates. Responding to falling interest rates, we shortened the average maturity of the bonds in the portfolio to reduce the interest rate risk. Equities represented 15.3% of the portfolio at year-end, versus 17.8% at the start of 2007.

The positive performance of the Fund resulted from falling interest rates which favorably impacted bond prices. The equity portion of the portfolio negatively impacted the Fund by approximately 1.1% largely as a result of financial service companies such as Citizens Republic Bancorp, Inc., BB&T Corporation, and TCF Financial Corporation.

It's becoming increasingly apparent that the U.S. economy has slipped into recession. We expect the Fed to continue its accommodative monetary policy pushing short-term interest rates progressively lower. Credit spreads should continue to widen. If prices on corporate bonds become even cheaper, we anticipate adding to those positions. With the decline in equity prices noted above, many dividend paying stocks are now more attractive for purchase than they have been in many years. We anticipate adding to equity holdings and expect them to make a disproportionately positive contribution to performance on a long-term basis.

We appreciate your continued participation in the Fund.

Sincerely,

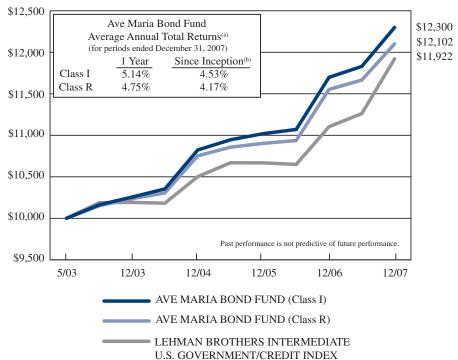
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Portfolio Manager

## **AVE MARIA BOND FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)**

# Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Bond Fund and the Lehman Brothers Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Index



<sup>(</sup>a) The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2007.

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND ANNUAL TOTAL RATES OF RETURN COMPARISON WITH MAJOR INDICES (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA BOND FUND CLASS I	AVE MARIA BOND FUND CLASS R	LEHMAN BROTHERS INTERMEDIATE U.S. GOVERNMENT/ CREDIT INDEX
2003 <sup>(a)</sup>	2.6%	2.4%	1.9%
2004	5.5%	5.1%	3.0%
2005	1.8%	1.4%	1.6%
2006	6.2%	6.0%	4.1%
2007	5.1%	4.8%	7.4%

## **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** As of December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA BOND FUND CLASS I	AVE MARIA BOND FUND CLASS R	LEHMAN BROTHERS INTERMEDIATE U.S. GOVERNMENT/ CREDIT INDEX
3 Years	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%
Since Inception	4.5%	4.2%	3.8%

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2003.

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS\* December 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

Par Value	Holding	Market Value	% of Net Assets
\$3,000,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 2.625%, due 05/15/08	\$2,992,266	6.8%
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.750%, due 01/31/12	1,581,093	3.6%
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.375%, due 08/15/12	1,565,391	3.5%
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.250%, due 08/15/13	1,554,726	3.5%
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.250%, due 10/15/10	1,547,929	3.5%
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.250%, due 11/15/14	1,547,462	3.5%
1,273,910	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note,		
	3.875%, due 01/15/09	1,311,530	3.0%
1,034,510	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note,		
	2.500%, due 07/15/16	1,103,208	2.5%
1,000,000	ConocoPhillips, 8.750%, due 05/25/10	1,095,559	2.5%
1,008,030	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note,		
	2.625%, due 07/15/17	1,087,648	2.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes cash equivalents.

## **ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)**

	% of Net Assets
U.S. GOVERNMENT AND AGENCY OBLIGATIONS	
U.S. Treasuries	39.2%
U.S. Government Agencies	10.4%
CORPORATE BONDS	
<u>Sector</u>	
Consumer Products	4.6%
Finance	4.4%
Food & Tobacco	1.5%
Industrials	13.1%
Utilities	4.7%
COMMON STOCKS	
Sector	
Consumer - Durables	0.6%
Consumer - Retail	0.9%
Finance	5.5%
Industrial Products & Services	2.7%
Printing & Publishing	0.9%
Utilities	
Cash Equivalents, Other Assets and Liabilities	6.8%
	100.0%

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2007

Par Value	U.S. GOVERNMENT AND AGENCY OBLIGATIONS — 49.6%	Market Value
	U.S. TREASURIES — 39.2%	
\$ 3,000,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 2.625%, due 05/15/08	\$ 2,992,266
1,000,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 3.750%, due 05/15/08	1,001,172
1,273,910	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note, 3.875%, due 01/15/09	1,311,530
1,000,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 3.000%, due 02/15/09	998,750
1,000,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 3.375%, due 10/15/09	1,006,172
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.250%, due 10/15/10	1,547,929
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.750%, due 01/31/12	1,581,093
1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.375%, due 08/15/12	1,565,391
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1,500,000	U.S. Treasury Note, 4.250%, due 11/15/14	1,547,462
1,034,510	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note, 2.500%, due 07/15/16	1,103,208
1,008,030	U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protection Note, 2.625%, due 07/15/17	1,087,648
		17,297,347
	U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES — 10.4%	
1,000,000	Federal Farm Credit Bank, 4.480%, due 08/24/12	1,022,762
1,000,000	Federal Farm Credit Bank, 4.600%, due 12/27/12	1,027,833
500,000	Federal Home Loan Bank, 3.375%, due 07/21/08	497,276
1,000,000	Federal Home Loan Bank, 5.000%, due 09/01/10	1,034,867
1,000,000	Federal Home Loan Bank, 5.815%, due 08/21/13	1,010,663
		4,593,401
	TOTAL U.S. GOVERNMENT AND	
	AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Cost \$21,386,711)	\$ 21,890,748

Par Value	CORPORATE BONDS — 28.3%	Market Value
\$ 1,000,000 1,000,000	CONSUMER PRODUCTS — 4.6%  Harley-Davidson, Inc 144A <sup>(a)</sup> , 3.625%, due 12/15/08  Stanley Works, 5.000%, due 03/15/10	\$ 989,179 1,016,267 2,005,446
1,000,000 1,000,000	FINANCE — 4.4% Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation, 4.750%, due 02/17/15 Marshall & Ilsley Bank, 5.250%, due 09/04/12	966,223 990,677 1,956,900
600,000	FOOD & TOBACCO — 1.5% Hormel Foods Corporation, 6.625%, due 06/01/11	643,660

## **AVE MARIA BOND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Par Value	CORPORATE BONDS — 28.3% (Continued)	Market Value
\$ 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 500,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	INDUSTRIALS — 13.1%  ConocoPhillips, 8.750%, due 05/25/10  Dover Corporation, 6.500%, due 02/15/11  Halliburton Company, 5.500%, due 10/15/10  Johnson Controls, Inc., 5.250%, due 01/15/11  Masco Corporation, 5.875%, due 07/15/12  United Technologies Corporation, 6.350%, due 03/01/11	\$ 1,095,559 1,052,012 1,027,952 501,411 1,025,044 1,064,788
1,000,000 1,000,000	UTILITIES — 4.7% FPL Group Capital, Inc., 5.625%, due 09/01/11 Southern Power Company, 6.250%, due 07/15/12	5,766,766 1,023,974 1,046,019 2,069,993
	TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS (Cost \$12,438,024)	\$ 12,442,765

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 15.3%	Market Value
10,000	CONSUMER - DURABLES — 0.6% Newell Rubbermaid Inc.	\$ 258,800
15,000	CONSUMER - RETAIL — 0.9% Ross Stores, Inc.	383,550
20,000 25,000 20,000	FINANCE - BANKS & THRIFTS — 3.0% BB&T Corporation	613,400 362,750 358,600 1,334,750
30,000 8,000	FINANCE - INSURANCE — 2.5% Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Mercury General Corporation	725,700 398,480 1,124,180
6,000 45,000	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS & SERVICES — 2.7% Genuine Parts Company	277,800 913,500 1,191,300
10,000	PRINTING & PUBLISHING — 0.9% R.R. Donnelley & Sons Company	377,400

## **AVE MARIA BOND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Shares	COMMON STOCKS — 15.3% (Continued)	Market Value
15,000 18,000 20,000	UTILITIES — 4.7%  NSTAR	\$ 543,300 763,380 775,000 2,081,680
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$7,154,524)	\$ 6,751,660

Shares	CASH EQUIVALENTS — 5.7%	Market Value
448,059	Federated Government Obligations	¢ 440.050
2.070.164	Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares	\$ 448,059
2,079,164	Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares	2,079,164
	TOTAL CASH EQUIVALENTS (Cost \$2,527,223)	\$ 2,527,223
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT MARKET VALUE — 98.9% (Cost \$43,506,482)	\$ 43,612,396
	OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES — 1.1%	484,222
	NET ASSETS — 100.0%	\$ 44,096,618

<sup>(</sup>a) 144A - This is a restricted security that was sold in a transaction exempt from Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. This security may be sold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES December 31, 2007

	Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
ASSETS					
Investment securities:					
At amortized cost	\$ 218,027,049	\$ 95,118,639	\$ 82,006,452	\$ 18,308,242	\$ 43,506,482
At market value (Note 1)	\$ 249,176,773	\$116,928,898	\$ 82,739,765	\$ 18,146,256	\$ 43,612,396
Receivable for capital shares sold	199,497	53,577	82,968	30,514	40,576
Dividends and interest receivable	213,234	102,475	131,728	16,228	474,263
Other assets	15,404	13,856	12,326	8,340	10,357
TOTAL ASSETS	249,604,908	117,098,806	82,966,787	18,201,338	44,137,592
LIABILITIES					
Payable for investment securities purchased	1,201,315	_	_	_	_
Payable for capital shares redeemed	441,876	35,416	15,142	41	527
Payable to Adviser (Note 2)	680,924	276,220	172,654	21,184	2,632
Payable to administrator (Note 2)	31,800	14,800	10,700	4,000	4,000
Accrued distribution fees (Note 2)	6,950	9,189	_	_	16,868
Other accrued expenses	46,597	25,907	25,766	12,640	16,947
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,409,462	361,532	224,262	37,865	40,974
NET ASSETS	\$ 247,195,446	\$116,737,274	\$ 82,742,525	\$ 18,163,473	\$ 44,096,618
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:					
Paid-in capital	\$ 216,400,344	\$ 94,927,015	\$ 81,828,544	\$ 19,119,871	\$ 43,991,659
Undistributed/(Distributions in excess of)	Ψ 210, 100, 511	Ψ 74,727,013	Ψ 01,020,5++	Ψ 12,112,071	Ψ 43,271,037
net investment income	_	_	586	_	(1,019)
Accumulated undistributed net realized					( -, -, -,
gains/(losses) from security transactions	(354,622)	_	180,082	(794,412)	64
Net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation)			· ·	, , ,	
on investments	31,149,724	21,810,259	733,313	(161,986)	105,914
NET ASSETS	\$ 247,195,446	\$116,737,274	\$ 82,742,525	\$ 18,163,473	\$ 44,096,618
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding				<del></del>	<del></del>
(unlimited number of shares authorized,					
no par value)	15,742,151	6.162.442	7,167,832	1.896,306	
•	=======================================		7,107,032	1,070,500	
Net asset value, offering price and redemption	¢ 15.70	\$ 10.04	¢ 11.54	¢ 0.50	
price per share (Note 1)	\$ 15.70	\$ 18.94	\$ 11.54	\$ 9.58	
PRICING OF CLASS I SHARES					
Net assets applicable to Class I shares					\$ 9,918,753
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding					
(unlimited number of shares authorized,					
no par value)					978,503
Net asset value, offering price and redemption					
price per share (Note 1)					\$ 10.14
PRICING OF CLASS R SHARES					
Net assets applicable to Class R shares					\$ 34,177,865
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (unlimited number of shares authorized.					
no par value)					3,376,073
Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (Note 1)					\$ 10.12
See notes to financial statements.		I	1 1		

# **AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Year Ended December 31, 2007**

Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
\$ 4,159,928	\$ 1,007,772	\$ 1,871,320	\$ 362,817	\$ 397,915
25,596	_	36,088	24,533	1,462,678
4.185,524	1.007.772	1,907,408	387,350	1,860,593
2.760.220	1.058.040	595 285	202.586	128,134
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		_	_	70,626
414.082	158,800	119,171	48,000	48,000
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	35,109		28,542
				17,544
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			26,068
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_	_	_ ´_	_	565
_	_	_	_	8,585
27,796	10,903	12,485	8,511	4,207
19.035	7,416	4,925	2,151	4,644
13,941	7,480	3,895	1,633	2,518
5,267	5,267	5,267	5,267	5,267
10,711	4,329	3,598	844	1,744
19,390	10,230	10,632	8,653	13,128
4 117 154	1,652,405	859.211	364 032	370.869
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_	(65,346)	_	(110.801)	(133,206)
_		_		(565)
23,171	_	44,436	_	_
	1 587 059		253 231	237,098
4,140,323		703,047		257,000
45,199	(579,287)	1,003,761	134,119	1,623,495
2,169,395	1,884,422	2,240,936	(763,976)	967,612
176,249	_	_	_	-
(12.219.075)	0.692.924	(2.660.227)	(11057(7)	(5(0.770)
(13,218,973)	9,082,834	(2,009,32/)	(1,185,/0/)	(568,779)
(10,873,331)	11,567,256	(428,391)	(1,949,743)	398,833
\$(10,828,132)	\$ 10,987,969	\$ 575,370	\$ (1,815,624)	\$ 2,022,328
	Catholic Values Fund           \$ 4,159,928           25,596           4,185,524           2,760,220           690,052           414,082           53,799           60,453           26,068           16,340           27,796           19,035           13,941           5,267           10,711           19,390           4,117,154           23,171           4,140,325           45,199           2,169,395           176,249           (13,218,975)           (10,873,331)	Catholic Values Fund         Growth Fund           \$ 4,159,928 25,596 4,185,524 1,007,772 25,596 4,185,524 1,007,772         — 1,007,772 264,509 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Catholic Values Fund         Growth Fund         Rising Dividend Fund           \$ 4,159,928 25,596	Catholic Values Fund         Growth Fund         Rising Dividend Fund         Opportunity Fund           \$ 4,159,928 25,596

## AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income/(loss)	\$ 45,199	\$ (570,434)
Net realized gains from security transactions	2,169,395	10,818,434
Net increase from payment by Adviser due to the disposal of		
investments in violation of investment restrictions (Note 2)	176,249	_
Net realized gains from in-kind redemptions (Note 1)	_	18,457,383
Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	( 13,218,975 )	4,564,102
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets from operations	(10,828,132)	33,269,485
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS		
From net investment income	(53,179)	_
From net realized gains on investments	(2,073,963)	(10,545,124)
Net decrease in net assets from distributions to shareholders	(2,127,142)	(10,545,124)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	51,156,753	52,002,346
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	1,945,841	9,595,000
Payments for shares redeemed	(50,963,533)	(72,685,160)
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets from capital share transactions	2,139,061	(11,087,814)
TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(10,816,213)	11,636,547
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	258,011,659	246,375,112
End of year	\$ 247,195,446	\$ 258,011,659
ACCUMULATED UNDISTRIBUTED		
NET INVESTMENT INCOME	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	2,963,771	3,249,139
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	123,155	578,360
Shares redeemed	(2,985,874)	(4,543,268)
Net increase/(decrease) in shares outstanding	101,052	(715,769)
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	15,641,099	16,356,868
Shares outstanding, end of year	15,742,151	15,641,099

## AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment loss  Net realized gains from security transactions  Net realized gains from in-kind redemptions (Note 1)  Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	\$ (579,287) 1,884,422 — 9,682,834	\$ (220,994) 712,003 2,014,638 7,996,624
Net increase in net assets from operations	10,987,969	10,502,271
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS From net realized gains on investments	(1,717,378)	(711,674)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS Proceeds from shares sold Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders Payments for shares redeemed	37,125,655 1,588,147 (16,457,823)	27,242,598 668,695 ( 16,052,538 )
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	22,255,979	11,858,755
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	31,526,570	21,649,352
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	85,210,704	63,561,352
End of year	\$ 116,737,274	\$ 85,210,704
ACCUMULATED UNDISTRIBUTED NET INVESTMENT INCOME	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	2,016,293	1,667,583
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	83,105	38,564
Shares redeemed	(886,636)	(993,409)
Net increase in shares outstanding	1,212,762	712,738
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	4,949,680	4,236,942
Shares outstanding, end of year	6,162,442	4,949,680

## AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006
FROM OPERATIONS  Net investment income	\$ 1,003,761 2,240,936 — (2,669,327) 575,370 (1,003,175)	\$ 376,535 748,365 1,733,646 2,332,107 5,190,653
From net realized gains on investments	(2,241,008) (3,244,183)	(748,272)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS  Net assets received in conjunction with fund merger (Note 1)	46,890,726 19,866,356 2,409,951 (18,806,800) 50,360,233 47,691,420 35,051,105 \$ 82,742,525	16,397,640 711,266 (11,366,258) 5,742,648 9,808,494 25,242,611 \$ 35,051,105
ACCUMULATED UNDISTRIBUTED  NET INVESTMENT INCOME	\$ 586	<u> </u>
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY Shares issued in conjunction with fund merger (Note 1)	3,770,256 1,809,315 204,522 (1,518,764) 4,265,329 2,902,503 7,167,832	1,432,894 59,190 (972,858) 519,226 2,383,277 2,902,503

### AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Period Ended December 31, 2006 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 134,119	\$ 94,493
Net realized gains/(losses) from security transactions	(763,976)	342,668
Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	(1,185,767)	1,023,781
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets from operations	(1,815,624)	1,460,942
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS		
From net investment income	( 134,519 )	( 94,235 )
From net realized gains on investments		(373,104)
Net decrease in net assets from distributions to shareholders	( 134,519 )	(467,339)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	8,423,798	18,868,063
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	60,986	91,678
Payments for shares redeemed	(6,085,594)	(2,238,918)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	2,399,190	16,720,823
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	449,047	17,714,426
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of period	17,714,426	_
End of period	\$ 18,163,473	\$ 17,714,426
ACCUMULATED UNDISTRIBUTED  NET INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 258</u>
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	778,095	1,880,754
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	6,346	8,641
Shares redeemed	(567,589)	( 209,941 )
Net increase in shares outstanding	216,852	1,679,454
Shares outstanding, beginning of period	1,679,454	<u> </u>
Shares outstanding, end of period	1,896,306	1,679,454

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2006) through December 31, 2006. See notes to financial statements.

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 1,623,495	\$ 1,832,732
Net realized gains from security transactions	77	260,709
Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	· ·	704,922
Net increase in net assets from operations		2,798,363
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS		
From net investment income, Class I	(571,441)	(1,135,731)
From net investment income, Class R	\ ' '	(700,257)
From net realized gains on investments, Class I	1 1 1 1	(114,092)
From net realized gains on investments, Class R		(146,596)
Net decrease in net assets from distributions to shareholders		(2,096,676)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS CLASS I	(2,000,000)	
Proceeds from shares sold	164,508	135,000
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	1	16,961
Payments for shares redeemed		(30,709,371)
Net decrease in net assets from Class I capital share transactions	(7,871,396)	(30,557,410)
CLASS R		
Proceeds from shares sold	15,304,038	8,193,903
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	1,548,186	774,275
Payments for shares redeemed	(5,568,193)	(2,804,300)
Net increase in net assets from Class R capital share transactions	11,284,031	6,163,878
TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETSNET ASSETS	2,834,792	( 23,691,845 )
Beginning of year	41,261,826	64,953,671
End of year	\$ 44,096,618	\$ 41,261,826
DISTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF		
NET INVESTMENT INCOME	\$ (10,410)	\$ (1,440)
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY CLASS I		
Shares sold	16,013	13,478
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	_	1,689
Shares redeemed	( 779,366 )	(3,039,466)
Net decrease in shares outstanding	(763,353)	(3,024,299)
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	1,741,856	4,766,155
Shares outstanding, end of year	978,503	1,741,856
CLASS R		
Shares sold	1,483,843	811,940
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	151,631	76,363
Shares redeemed	(540,087)	(277,651)
Net increase in shares outstanding		610,652
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	1 1	1,670,034
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## AVE MARIA CATHOLIC VALUES FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Year

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006	Year Ended December 31, 2005	Year Ended December 31, 2004	Year Ended December 31, 2003
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 16.50	\$ 15.06	\$ 14.62	\$ 12.75	\$ 9.47
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment income/(loss)  Net realized and unrealized gains/(losses) on investments.	0.00 <sup>(a)</sup>	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.03)
Total from investment operations	(0.67)	2.14	0.85	2.56	3.37
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	$ \frac{(0.00)^{(a)}}{(0.13)} $	(0.70) (0.70)	(0.41) (0.41)	(0.69) (0.69)	(0.09) (0.09)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 15.70	\$ 16.50	\$ 15.06	\$ 14.62	\$ 12.75
Total return (b)	(4.0%) <sup>(c)</sup>	14.2%	5.8%	20.1%	35.6%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	\$ 247,195	\$ 258,012	\$ 246,375	\$ 248,070	<u>\$ 144,956</u>
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (d)	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
Ratio of net investment income/(loss) to average net assets	0.03%	(0.23)%	(0.28)%	(0.44)%	(0.28)%
Portfolio turnover rate	52%	59%	61%	34%	58%

<sup>(</sup>a) Amount rounds to less than \$0.01 per share.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>c) During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Fund received a payment from the Adviser of \$176,249 for losses realized on the disposal of investments purchased in violation of investment restrictions, which otherwise would have reduced the total return by 0.06% (Note 2).

<sup>(</sup>d) Absent investment advisory fees waived by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 1.52%, 1.51%, 1.52% and 1.56% for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006	Year Ended December 31, 2005	Year Ended December 31, 2004	Period Ended December 31, 2003 <sup>(a)</sup>
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 17.22	\$ 15.00	\$ 14.99	\$ 12.34	\$ 10.00
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment loss  Net realized and unrealized gains on investments  Total from investment operations	(0.09) 	(0.04) 	(0.05) 	(0.03) 2.68 2.65	$ \begin{array}{r} (0.02) \\ \underline{\qquad \qquad 2.36} \\ \underline{\qquad \qquad 2.34} \end{array} $
Less distributions: From net realized gains on investments	(0.28)	(0.14)	(0.04)		
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 18.94	\$ 17.22	\$ 15.00	\$ 14.99	\$ 12.34
Total return (b)	11.6%	<u>15.8%</u>	0.3%	21.5%	<u>23.4%</u> (c)
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of period (000's)	<u>\$ 116,737</u>	\$ 85,211	\$ 63,561	\$ 51,574	\$ 15,105
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets $^{\scriptscriptstyle (d)}$	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.49% <sup>(e)</sup>
Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets	(0.55)%	(0.30)%	(0.34)%	(0.29)%	(0.36)% (6)
Portfolio turnover rate	9%	13%	29%	3%	0%

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the initial public offering (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2003.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>c) Not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>d) Absent investment advisory fee waivers and expense reimbursements by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 1.56%, 1.62%, 1.64%, 1.79% and 2.61%(e) for the periods ended December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) Annualized.

## AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006	Period Ended December 31, 2005 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 12.08	\$ 10.59	\$ 10.00	
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment income	0.16	0.14	0.08	
Net realized and unrealized gains/(losses) on investments	(0.22)	1.75 1.89	0.59	
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.16) (0.32) (0.48)	(0.14) (0.26) (0.40)	(0.08) (0.00) <sup>(to)</sup> (0.08)	
Net asset value at end of period	<u>\$ 11.54</u>	<u>\$ 12.08</u>	\$ 10.59	
Total return (c)	(0.6%)	17.9%	6.7% <sup>(d)</sup>	
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of period (000's)	\$ 82,743	\$ 35,051	\$ 25,243	
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (e)	1.14%	1.25%	1.24% <sup>(f)</sup>	
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.26%	1.23%	1.19% <sup>(f)</sup>	
Portfolio turnover rate	41%	65%	21% (f)	

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the initial public offering (May 2, 2005) through December 31, 2005.

<sup>(</sup>b) Amount rounds to less than \$0.01 per share.

<sup>(</sup>c) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>d) Not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>e) Absent investment advisory fees waived by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 1.31% and 1.43%(f) for the periods ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>f) Annualized.

### AVE MARIA OPPORTUNITY FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Period Ended December 31, 2006 (a)
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 10.55	\$ 10.00
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment income  Net realized and unrealized gains/(losses) on investments	0.07	0.06 0.77
Total from investment operations	(0.90)	0.83
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.07)	(0.06) (0.22) (0.28)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 9.58	\$ 10.55
Total return (b)	(8.5%)	8.3% (c)
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of period (000's)	\$ 18,163	<u>\$ 17,714</u>
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (d)	1.25%	1.24% <sup>(c)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	0.66%	0.84% <sup>(c)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate	126%	102% <sup>(c)</sup>

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the initial public offering (May 1, 2006) through December 31, 2006.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>c) Not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>d) Absent investment advisory fees waived by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 1.80% and 1.90%(e) for the periods ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) Annualized.

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND - CLASS I FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006	Year Ended December 31, 2005	Year Ended December 31, 2004	Period Ended December 31, 2003 <sup>(a)</sup>
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 10.26	\$ 10.10	\$ 10.29	\$ 10.09	\$ 10.00
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment income  Net realized and unrealized gains/ (losses) on investments	0.41	0.38	0.33	0.28 0.27	0.16
Total from investment operations	0.52	0.23	0.18	0.55	0.10
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.41) (0.23) (0.64)	(0.38) (0.07) (0.45)	(0.33) (0.04) (0.37)	(0.28) (0.07) (0.35)	(0.16) (0.01) (0.17)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 10.14	\$ 10.26	\$ 10.10	\$ 10.29	\$ 10.09
Total return <sup>(b)</sup>	5.1%	6.2%	1.8%	5.5%	<u>2.6%</u> (c)
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of period (000's)	\$ 9,919	\$ 17,880	\$ 48,115	\$ 32,458	\$ 30,773
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (d)	0.37%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30% <sup>(c)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.96%	3.67%	3.32%	2.77%	2.36% (e)
Portfolio turnover rate	45%	21%	22%	47%	50% <sup>(e)</sup>

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the initial public offering (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2003.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>c) Not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>d) Absent investment advisory fee waivers and expense reimbursements by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 0.68%, 0.65%, 0.61%, 0.72% and 0.71%(e) for the periods ended December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) Annualized.

### AVE MARIA BOND FUND - CLASS R FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Per Share Data for a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006	Year Ended December 31, 2005	Year Ended December 31, 2004	Period Ended December 31, 2003 <sup>(a)</sup>
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 10.25	\$ 10.08	\$ 10.28	\$ 10.09	\$ 10.00
Income/(loss) from investment operations:  Net investment income  Net realized and unrealized gains/ (losses) on investments  Total from investment operations	0.38 	0.35 0.24 0.59	0.30 (0.16) 0.14	0.24 0.26 0.50	0.14 
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.38) (0.23) (0.61)	(0.35) (0.07) (0.42)	(0.30) (0.04) (0.34)	(0.24) (0.07) (0.31)	(0.14) (0.01) (0.15)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 10.12	\$ 10.25	\$ 10.08	\$ 10.28	\$ 10.09
Total return (b)	4.8%	6.0%	1.4%	5.1%	2.4% (c)
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of period (000's)	\$ 34,178	\$ 23,382	\$ 16,839	\$ 6,491	\$ 1,502
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets $^{\mbox{\tiny (d)}}$	0.65%	0.60%	0.61%	0.70%	0.69% <sup>(c)</sup>
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	3.69%	3.37%	3.01%	2.37%	1.96% <sup>(c)</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate	45%	21%	22%	47%	50% <sup>(c)</sup>

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents the period from the initial public offering (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2003.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the periods covered, which assumes any dividends or capital gains distributions are reinvested in shares of the Fund. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

<sup>(</sup>c) Not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>d) Absent investment advisory fee waivers and expense reimbursements by the Adviser, the ratio of expenses to average net assets would have been 0.96%, 0.94%, 0.92%, 1.31% and 2.49%(e) for the periods ended December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) Annualized.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2007

### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund (collectively, the "Funds") are each a diversified series of the Schwartz Investment Trust (the "Trust"), an open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and established as an Ohio business trust under a Declaration of Trust dated August 31, 1992. The Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund commenced the public offering of its shares on May 1, 2001. The public offering of shares of the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund commenced on May 1, 2003. The Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund commenced the public offering of its shares on May 2, 2005. The Ave Maria Opportunity Fund commenced the public offering of its shares on May 1, 2006. The Funds determine and make available for publication the net asset value of each of its shares on a daily basis.

On March 30, 2007, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund consummated a tax-free merger with the Catholic Equity Fund. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement governing the merger, each share of Class A, Class D and Class I shares of the Catholic Equity Fund was converted into an equivalent dollar amount of shares of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, based on the net asset value of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and Class A, Class D and Class I shares of the Catholic Equity Fund as of March 30, 2007 (\$12.44 and \$10.07, \$9.44 and \$10.07, respectively), resulting in conversion ratios of 0.809762, 0.758704 and 0.810035 shares of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund for each share of Class A, Class D and Class I shares of the Catholic Equity Fund, respectively. The Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund thus issued 3,770,256 shares to shareholders of the Catholic Equity Fund. Net assets of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Catholic Equity Fund as of the merger date were \$41,688,158 and \$46,890,726, including unrealized appreciation of \$4,422,856 and \$3,015,886, respectively. In addition, the Catholic Equity Fund's net assets included accumulated realized losses of \$784,039. Total net assets immediately after the merger were \$88.578.884.

The investment objective of the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund is to seek long-term capital appreciation from equity investments in companies that do not violate core values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The investment objective of the Ave Maria Growth Fund is to seek long-term capital appreciation, using the growth style, from equity investments in companies that do not violate core values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The investment objective of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund is to provide increasing dividend income over time, long-term growth of capital, and a reasonable level of current income from investments in dividend-paying common stocks of companies that do not violate core values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The investment objective of the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund is long-term capital appreciation from equity investments in companies that do not violate core values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The investment objective of the Ave Maria Bond Fund is to seek preservation of principal with a reasonable level of current income. See the Funds' Prospectus for information regarding the investment strategies of each Fund.

The Ave Maria Bond Fund offers two classes of shares: Class I shares (sold subject to a distribution fee of up to 0.10% of the average daily net assets attributable to Class I shares) and Class R shares (sold subject to a distribution fee of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets attributable to Class R shares). Each class of shares represents an interest in the same assets of the Fund, has the same rights and is identical in all material respects except that: (1) Class R bears the expenses of higher distribution fees; (2) certain other class-specific expenses will be borne solely by the class to which such expenses are attributable; (3) each class has exclusive voting rights with respect to matters relating to its own distribution arrangements; and (4) Class I shares require an initial investment of \$10 million. Investment income earned, realized capital gains and losses, and unrealized appreciation and depreciation are allocated daily to each class of shares based upon its proportionate share of total net assets of the Fund. Class-specific expenses are charged directly to the class incurring the expense. Common expenses which are not attributable to a specific class are allocated daily to each class of shares based upon its proportionate share of total net assets of the Fund.

Shares of each Fund are sold at net asset value. To calculate the net asset value, each Fund's assets are valued and totaled, liabilities are subtracted, and the balance is divided by the number of shares outstanding. The offering price and redemption price per share are equal to the net asset value per share for each Fund.

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Funds:

- (a) Valuation of investments Securities which are traded on stock exchanges are valued at the closing sales price as of the close of the regular session of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") on the day the securities are being valued, or, if not traded on a particular day, at the closing bid price. Securities which are quoted by NASDAQ are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price. Securities traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last reported sales price or, if there is no reported sale on the valuation date, at the most recently quoted bid price. Securities which are traded both in the over-the-counter market and on a stock exchange are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. Investments representing primarily capital stock of other open-end investment companies are valued at their net asset value as reported by such companies. Securities (and other assets) for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith in accordance with consistently applied procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Board of Trustees. Short-term instruments (those with remaining maturities of 60 days or less) are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value.
- **(b) Income taxes** It is each Fund's policy to comply with the special provisions of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies. As provided therein, in any fiscal year in which a Fund so qualifies and distributes at least 90% of its taxable income, such Fund (but not the shareholders) will be relieved of federal income tax on the income distributed. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made.

In order to avoid imposition of the excise tax applicable to regulated investment companies, it is also each Fund's intention to declare as dividends in each calendar year at least 98% of its net investment income and 98% of its net realized capital gains plus undistributed amounts from prior years.

The tax character of distributable earnings at December 31, 2007 was as follows:

	Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
Undistributed ordinary income	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 511,067	\$ —	\$ —
Undistributed long-term gains	152,861	_	17,632	_	64
Capital loss carryforward	_	_	(330,285)	(777,264)	_
Net unrealized appreciation/					
(depreciation)	30,642,241	21,810,259	715,567	(179,134)	104,895
Total distributable earnings/(deficit)	\$ 30,795,102	\$ 21,810,259	\$ 913,981	\$ (956,398)	\$ 104,959

As of December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund had a capital loss carryforward acquired in the merger with the Catholic Equity Fund of \$330,285, of which \$215,994 expires September 30, 2008, \$108,803 expires September 30, 2009 and \$5,488 expires September 30, 2010. As of December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund had a capital loss carryforward for federal income tax purposes of \$777,264, which expires on December 31, 2015. These capital loss carryforwards may be utilized in future years to offset net realized capital gains, if any, prior to distributing such gains to shareholders.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund utilized \$218,367 of capital loss carryforwards acquired through the Catholic Equity Fund merger to offset current year realized gains.

On July 13, 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") released Interpretation No. 48 ("FIN 48") "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes." FIN 48 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented and disclosed in the financial statements. FIN 48 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken in the course of preparing each Fund's tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold would be recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. Each Fund incorporated FIN 48 in its Semi-Annual report on June 30, 2007. Based on management's analysis, the adoption of FIN 48 did not have a material impact on the financial statements. The statute of limitations on the Funds' tax returns remains open for the years ended December 31, 2004 through December 31, 2006. Additionally, management does not anticipate FIN 48 having a material impact on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

The following information is based upon the federal income tax cost of the investment securities as of December 31, 2007:

	Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
Gross unrealized appreciationGross unrealized depreciation	\$ 45,975,586 (15,333,345)	\$ 26,220,281 (4,410,022)	\$ 7,958,012 (7,242,445)	\$ 1,354,525 (1,533,659)	\$ 894,885 (789,990)
Net unrealized appreciation/ (depreciation)	\$ 30,642,241	\$ 21,810,259	\$ 715,567	\$ (179,134)	\$ 104,895
Federal income tax cost	\$ 218,534,532	\$ 95,118,639	\$ 82,024,198	\$ 18,325,390	\$ 43,507,501

The difference between the federal income tax cost of portfolio investments and the financial statement cost for the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund is due to certain timing differences in the recognition of capital losses under income tax regulations and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These "book/tax" differences are temporary in nature and are due to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales. The difference between the federal income tax cost of portfolio investments and the financial statement cost for the Ave Maria Bond Fund is due to certain timing differences in the recognition of the amortization of organizational costs. These "book/tax" differences are also temporary in nature.

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund reclassified \$7,980 of distributions in excess of net investment income against paid-in capital; the Ave Maria Growth Fund reclassified \$411,914 of its net investment loss against paid-in capital and \$167,373 against net realized gains from security transactions; the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund reclassified \$80 of distributions in excess of net realized gains from security transactions and \$179,981 of accumulated net realized losses against paid-in capital; the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund reclassified \$142 of distributions in excess of net investment income against paid-in capital; and the Ave Maria Bond Fund reclassified distributions in excess of net investment income of \$9,391 and distributions in excess of net realized gains from security transactions of \$137 against paid-in capital. These reclassifications are reflected on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. Such reclassifications, the result of permanent differences between the financial statement and the income tax reporting requirements, have no effect on each Fund's net assets or net asset value per share.

- (c) Security transactions and investment income Security transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Realized gains and losses on securities sold are determined on a specific identification basis. Discounts and premiums on fixed-income securities purchased are amortized using the interest method.
- (d) Dividends and distributions Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid annually in December for the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund. Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid quarterly for the Ave

Maria Rising Dividend Fund and are declared and paid monthly for the Ave Maria Bond Fund. Each Fund expects to distribute any net realized capital gains annually. Dividends and distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

The tax character of distributions paid during the periods ended December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 was as follows:

Period Ended	(	Ordinary Income	Long-Term apital Gains	Di	Total istributions
Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund:					
December 31, 2007	\$	53,179	\$ 2,073,963	\$	2,127,142
December 31, 2006	\$	_	\$ 10,545,124	\$	10,545,124
Ave Maria Growth Fund:					
December 31, 2007	\$	_	\$ 1,717,378	\$	1,717,378
December 31, 2006	\$	_	\$ 711,674	\$	711,674
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund:					
December 31, 2007	\$	1,707,552	\$ 1,536,631	\$	3,244,183
December 31, 2006	\$	719,951	\$ 404,856	\$	1,124,807
Ave Maria Opportunity Fund:					
December 31, 2007	\$	134,519	\$ _	\$	134,519
December 31, 2006	\$	467,339	\$ _	\$	467,339
Ave Maria Bond Fund - Class I:					
December 31, 2007	\$	604,319	\$ 188,655	\$	792,974
December 31, 2006	\$	1,135,731	\$ 114,092	\$	1,249,823
Ave Maria Bond Fund - Class R:					
December 31, 2007	\$	1,171,763	\$ 635,434	\$	1,807,197
December 31, 2006	\$	700,257	\$ 146,596	\$	846,853

- (e) Repurchase agreements The Funds may enter into repurchase agreements (agreements to purchase securities subject to the seller's agreement to repurchase them at a specified time and price) with well-established registered securities dealers or banks. Repurchase agreements may be deemed to be loans by the Funds. It is each Fund's policy to take possession of obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government or its agencies of instrumentalities as collateral under a repurchase agreement and, on a daily basis, mark-to-market such obligations to ensure that their value, including accrued interest, is at least equal to the amount to be repaid to the Fund under the repurchase agreement.
- **(f) Estimates** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- **(g)** Common expenses Common expenses of the Trust are allocated among the Funds of the Trust based on relative net assets of each Fund or the nature of the services performed and the relative applicability to each Fund.

#### 2. Investment Advisory Agreements and Transactions with Related Parties

The President of the Trust is also the President and Chief Investment Officer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. (the "Adviser"). Certain other officers of the Trust are officers of the Adviser, or of Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC ("Ultimus"), the administrative, accounting and transfer agent for the Funds, or of Ultimus Fund Distributors, LLC (the "Distributor"), the Funds' principal underwriter.

Pursuant to Investment Advisory Agreements between the Trust and the Adviser, the Adviser is responsible for the management of each Fund and provides investment advice along with the necessary personnel, facilities, equipment and certain other services necessary to the operations of the Funds. For such services, the Adviser receives from each of the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund a quarterly fee at the annual rate of 1.00% of its average daily net assets. The Adviser receives from the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund a quarterly fee at the annual rate of 0.75% and 0.30%, respectively, of average daily net assets.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to reduce advisory fees or reimburse a portion of operating expenses until at least May 1, 2010 so that: the net expenses of the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund and the Ave Maria Growth Fund do not exceed 1.50% of average daily net assets; the net expenses of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund do not exceed 1.25% of average daily net assets; and the net expenses of Class R and Class I shares of the Ave Maria Bond Fund do not exceed 0.70% and 0.40%, respectively, of average daily net assets. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Adviser waived investment advisory fees of \$65,346 with respect to the Ave Maria Growth Fund; waived investment advisory fees of \$110,801 with respect to the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund; and waived investment advisory fees of \$128,134 and reimbursed \$5,637 of other operating expenses (including \$5,072 of common expenses and \$565 of Class I expenses) with respect to the Ave Maria Bond Fund.

Any fee waivers or expense reimbursements by the Adviser are subject to repayment by the Funds for a period of three years from the time such waivers or reimbursements occurred, provided the Funds are able to effect such repayment and remain in compliance with any undertaking by the Adviser to limit expenses of the Funds. During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Adviser received \$23,171 from the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund and \$44,436 from the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund in recoupment of fee waivers in prior fiscal periods. As of December 31, 2007, the amount of fee waivers and expense reimbursements available for reimbursement to the Adviser are as follows:

Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	\$ 73,853
Ave Maria Growth Fund	\$ 236,511
Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	\$ 184,079
Ave Maria Bond Fund	\$ 482,562

The Adviser may recapture a portion of the above amounts no later than the dates as stated below:

	Dec	ember 31, 2008	De	cember 31, 2009	Dec	ember 31, 2010
Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	\$	33,160	\$	40,693	\$	_
Ave Maria Growth Fund	\$	80,548	\$	90,617	\$	65,346
Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	\$	_	\$	73,278	\$	110,801
Ave Maria Bond Fund	\$	170,813	\$	177,978	\$	133,771

Additionally, during the year ended December 31, 2007, the Adviser reimbursed \$176,249 to the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund for losses realized on the disposal of investments purchased in violation of investment restrictions.

The Chief Compliance Officer of the Trust (the "CCO") is an employee of the Adviser. The Trust pays the Adviser \$23,500 annually for providing CCO services, of which each Fund pays its proportionate share along with the other series of the Trust.

JLB & Associates, Inc. ("JLB") has been retained by the Adviser to manage the investments of the Ave Maria Growth Fund pursuant to the terms of a Sub-Advisory Agreement. The Adviser (not the Fund) pays JLB a fee at an annual rate of 0.30% of the average value of the Fund's daily net assets. JLB has agreed to reduce its sub-advisory fee, by means of a voluntary waiver, during the period from September 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008, to the annual rate of 0.25% of average daily net assets. JLB cannot recover from the Fund any such fee reductions.

Pursuant to a Mutual Fund Services Agreement between the Funds and Ultimus, Ultimus supplies regulatory and compliance services, calculates the daily net asset value per share, maintains the financial books and records of the Funds, maintains the records of each shareholder's account, and processes purchases and redemptions of each Fund's shares. For the performance of these services, the Ave Maria Bond Fund pays Ultimus a monthly fee at an annual rate of 0.10% of its average daily net assets, and each of the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund pays Ultimus a monthly fee at an annual rate of 0.15% of its average daily net assets. The fee payable by each Fund is subject to a minimum monthly fee of \$4,000.

Pursuant to a Distribution Agreement between the Funds and the Distributor, the Distributor serves as the Funds' exclusive agent for the distribution of each Fund's shares. The Distributor is an affiliate of Ultimus.

The Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund have adopted a Shareholder Servicing Plan (the "Plan") under Section 12(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and Rule 12b-1 thereunder, which allows the Funds to make payments to financial organizations (including the Adviser and other affiliates of each Fund) for providing account administration and personnel and account maintenance services to Fund shareholders. The annual service fee may not exceed an amount equal to 0.25% of each Fund's daily net assets (except that the service fee is limited to 0.10% of the average net assets of the Ave Maria Bond Fund allocable to

Class I shares). During the year ended December 31, 2007, the total expenses incurred pursuant to the Plan were \$690,052, \$264,509, and \$70,626 for the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, and Class R shares of the Ave Maria Bond Fund, respectively. No expenses were incurred pursuant to the Plan for Class I shares of the Ave Maria Bond Fund.

#### 3. Investment Transactions

During the year ended December 31, 2007, cost of purchases and proceeds from sales and maturities of investment securities, excluding short-term investments and U.S. government securities, were as follows:

	Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria Opportunity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
Purchases of investment securities	\$140,727,733	\$ 29,991,799	\$ 64,176,332	\$ 24,703,153	\$ 10,902,276
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	<u>\$132,342,469</u>	\$ 9,833,420	\$ 29,737,816	\$ 21,697,020	\$ 4,526,956

### 4. Contingencies and Commitments

The Funds indemnify the Trust's officers and Trustees for certain liabilities that might arise from their performance of their duties to the Funds. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Funds enter into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnifications. The Funds' maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Funds that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Funds expect the risk of loss to be remote.

### 5. New Accounting Pronouncement

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement on Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements." This standard establishes a single authoritative definition of fair value, sets out a framework for measuring fair value and requires additional disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 applies to fair value measurements already required or permitted by existing standards. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within those fiscal years. The changes to current generally accepted accounting principles from the application of SFAS No. 157 relate to the definition of fair value, the methods used to measure fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. As of December 31, 2007, each Fund does not believe the adoption of SFAS No. 157 will impact the amounts reported in the financial statements, however, additional disclosures may be required about the inputs used to develop the measurements and the effect of the measurements reported on the statement of changes in net assets for a fiscal period.

### AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and Board of Trustees Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, Ave Maria Growth Fund, Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, Ave Maria Opportunity Fund, and Ave Maria Bond Fund:

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities of Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, Ave Maria Growth Fund, Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, Ave Maria Opportunity Fund, and Ave Maria Bond Fund (the "Funds"), including the schedules of investments, as of December 31, 2007, and the related statements of operations for the year ended, and the statements of changes in net assets and financial highlights for the periods presented. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Funds' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. The Funds are not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, audits of their internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Funds' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2007, by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, Ave Maria Growth Fund, Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, Ave Maria Opportunity Fund, and Ave Maria Bond Fund as of December 31, 2007, the results of their operations for the year then ended, and the changes in their net assets and the financial highlights for the respective stated periods, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Chicago, Illinois February 15, 2008

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (Unaudited)

Overall responsibility for management of the Trust rests with the Board of Trustees. The Trustees serve during the lifetime of the Trust and until its termination, or until death, resignation, retirement or removal. The Trustees, in turn, elect the officers of the Trust to actively supervise its day-to-day operations. The officers have been elected for an annual term. The following are the Trustees and executive officers of the Trust:

			Position Held	Length of
Trustee/Officer	Address	Age	with the Trust	Time Served
Interested Trustees:				
* Gregory J. Schwartz	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	66	Chairman of the Board/Trustee	Since 1992
* George P. Schwartz, CFA	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	63	President/Trustee	Since 1992
Independent Trustees:				
John E. Barnds	640 Lakeside Road, Birmingham, MI	75	Trustee	Since 2005
Peter F. Barry	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	80	Trustee	Since 2004
Donald J. Dawson, Jr.	333 W. Seventh Street, Royal Oak, MI	60	Trustee	Since 1993
Joseph M. Grace	4978 Malibu Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI	71	Trustee	Since 2007
Executive Officers:				
* Richard L. Platte, Jr., CFA	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	56	Vice President and Secretary	Since 1993
* Timothy S. Schwartz, CFA	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	36	Treasurer	Since 2000
* Becky S. Renaud	3707 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI	35	Chief Compliance Officer	Since 2006

<sup>\*</sup> Gregory J. Schwartz, George P. Schwartz, Richard L. Platte, Jr., Timothy S. Schwartz and Becky S. Renaud, as affiliated persons of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc., the Funds' investment adviser, are "interested persons" of the Trust within the meaning of Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Gregory J. Schwartz and George P. Schwartz are brothers and Timothy S. Schwartz is the son of George P. Schwartz and the nephew of Gregory J. Schwartz.

Each Trustee oversees six portfolios of the Trust: the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund, the Ave Maria Bond Fund and the Schwartz Value Fund. The principal occupations of the Trustees and executive officers of the Trust during the past five years and public directorships held by the Trustees are set forth below:

Gregory J. Schwartz is Chairman of Gregory J. Schwartz & Co., Inc., a registered broker-dealer.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (Unaudited) (Continued)

George P. Schwartz, CFA is President and Chief Investment Officer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and is the co-portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund and the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund.

John E. Barnds is retired First Vice President of National Bank of Detroit (JPMorgan Chase).

Peter F. Barry is retired President of Cadillac Rubber & Plastics Company (a manufacturer of rubber and plastics components).

Donald J. Dawson, Jr. is Chairman of Payroll 1, Inc. (a payroll processing company).

Joseph M. Grace is retired Senior Vice President of National Bank of Detroit (JPMorgan Chase).

Richard L. Platte, Jr., CFA is Executive Vice President and Secretary of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and is the portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Bond Fund and the co-portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund.

Timothy S. Schwartz, CFA is Vice President and Treasurer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and is the portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund.

Becky S. Renaud is Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer of Schwartz Investment Counsel. Inc.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS CATHOLIC ADVISORY BOARD (Unaudited)

The Catholic Advisory Board reviews the companies selected by the Adviser to ensure that the companies operate in a way that is consistent with teachings and core values of the Roman Catholic Church. The Catholic Advisory Board evaluates companies using publicly available information, information from the Adviser, and information from shareholders and other sources in making its recommendations. The following are the members of the Catholic Advisory Board:

			Length of
Member	Address	Age	Time Served
Lou Holtz	5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA	71	Since 2007
Lawrence Kudlow	1375 Kings Hwy. East, Suite 260, Fairfield, CT	60	Since 2005
Thomas S. Monaghan	One Ave Maria Drive, Ann Arbor, MI	71	Since 2001
Michael Novak	1150 17th Street, NW, Suite 1100, Washington, DC	74	Since 2001
Paul R. Roney	One Ave Maria Drive, Ann Arbor, MI	50	Since 2001
Phyllis Schlafly	7800 Bonhomme, St. Louis, MO	83	Since 2001

Lou Holtz is the former football coach at University of Notre Dame among others, ESPN college football analyst, author and motivational speaker.

Lawrence Kudlow is the host of CNBC's "Kudlow & Company" and a nationally syndicated columnist.

Thomas S. Monaghan is Chairman of the Ave Maria Foundation (a non-profit foundation supporting Roman Catholic organizations) and Chancellor of Ave Maria University. Prior to December 1998, he was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Domino's Pizza, Inc.

Michael Novak is a theologian, author, columnist and former U.S. ambassador. He is Director of Social and Political Studies of the American Enterprise Institute.

Paul R. Roney is Executive Director of the Ave Maria Foundation and President of Domino's Farms Corporation. Prior to December 1998, he was Treasurer of Domino's Pizza, Inc.

Phyllis Schlafly is an author, columnist and radio commentator. She is President of Eagle Forum (an organization promoting conservative and pro-family values).

Additional information regarding the Funds' Trustees, executive officers and Catholic Advisory Board members may be found in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information and is available without charge upon request by calling (888) 726-9331.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION (Unaudited)

In accordance with federal tax requirements, the following provides shareholders with information concerning distributions from net realized gains made by the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund and certain ordinary income dividends paid by the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund during the year end December 31, 2007. On December 28, 2007, the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund declared and paid an ordinary income dividend of \$0.0034 per share and declared and paid a long-term capital gain distribution of \$0.1326 per share; the Ave Maria Growth Fund declared and paid a long-term capital gain distribution of \$0.2825 per share; the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund declared and paid a short term capital gain distribution of \$0.1008 per share and declared and paid a long-term capital gain distribution of \$0.2199 per share; the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund declared and paid an ordinary income distribution of \$0.0713 per share; the Ave Maria Bond Fund declared and paid a short-term capital gain distribution of \$0.0336 per share and declared and paid a long-term capital gain distribution per share of \$0.1928 per share. Periodically throughout the year, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund paid ordinary income dividends totaling \$0.1568 per share. Periodically throughout the year, the Ave Maria Bond Fund paid ordinary income dividends totaling \$0.4110 per share for Class I shares and \$0.3823 per share for Class R shares. As provided by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003. 100% of the long-term capital gain distributions of \$0.1326, \$0.2825, \$0.2199 and \$0.1928 per share for the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund, respectively, 100% of the short-term capital gain distributions of \$0.1008 and \$0.0336 per share for the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund, respectively, and a percentage (100%, 100%, 100%, and 15.75%) of the ordinary income dividends paid for the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund, respectively, may be subject to a maximum tax rate of 15%. Early in 2008, as required by federal regulations, shareholders received notification of their portion of the Funds' taxable distributions, if any, paid during the 2007 calendar year.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS ABOUT YOUR FUNDS' EXPENSES (Unaudited)

We believe it is important for you to understand the impact of costs on your investment. As a shareholder of the Funds, you may incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees and other Fund expenses. The following examples are intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Funds and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

A mutual fund's ongoing costs are expressed as a percentage of its average net assets. This figure is known as the expense ratio. The ongoing costs reflected in the tables below are based on an investment of \$1,000 made at the beginning of the most recent semi-annual period (July 1, 2007) and held until the end of the period (December 31, 2007).

The tables that follow illustrate each Fund's costs in two ways:

Actual fund return – This section helps you to estimate the actual expenses that you paid over the period. The "Ending Account Value" shown is derived from each Fund's actual return, and the third column shows the dollar amount of operating expenses that would have been paid by an investor who started with \$1,000 in the Funds. You may use the information here, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period.

To do so, simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number given for the Funds under the heading "Expenses Paid During Period."

<u>Hypothetical 5% return</u> – This section is intended to help you compare the Funds' costs with those of other mutual funds. It assumes that each Fund had an annual return of 5% before expenses during the period shown, but that the expense ratio is unchanged. In this case, because the return used is not the Funds' actual returns, the results do not apply to your investment. The example is useful in making comparisons because the Securities and Exchange Commission requires all mutual funds to calculate expenses based on a 5% return. You can assess each Fund's costs by comparing this hypothetical example with the hypothetical examples that appear in shareholder reports of other funds.

Note that expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight and help you compare ongoing costs only. The Funds do not charge sales loads or redemption fees.

The calculations assume no shares were bought or sold during the period. Your actual costs may have been higher or lower, depending on the amount of your investment and the timing of any purchases or redemptions.

More information about the Funds' expenses, including historical annual expense ratios, can be found in this report. For additional information on operating expenses and other shareholder costs, please refer to the Funds' Prospectus.

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS ABOUT YOUR FUNDS' EXPENSES (Unaudited) (Continued)

#### Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 877.30	\$7.10
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return			
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,017.64	\$7.63

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund's annualized expense ratio of 1.50% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

#### Ave Maria Growth Fund

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$1,026.20	\$7.66
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return			
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,017.64	\$7.63

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Growth Fund's annualized expense ratio of 1.50% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

#### Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 918.40	\$5.13
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return			
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,019.86	\$5.40

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund's annualized expense ratio of 1.06% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS ABOUT YOUR FUNDS' EXPENSES (Unaudited) (Continued)

### **Ave Maria Opportunity Fund**

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 840.00	\$5.80
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return			
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,018.90	\$6.36

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Opportunity Fund's annualized expense ratio of 1.25% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

#### Ave Maria Bond Fund - Class I

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$1,039.70	\$2.06
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return (before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,022.99	\$2.04

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Bond Fund – Class I's annualized expense ratio of 0.40% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

#### Ave Maria Bond Fund - Class R

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2007	Ending Account Value December 31, 2007	Expenses Paid During Period*
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$1,037.30	\$3.44
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return	l		
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,021.68	\$3.41

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Ave Maria Bond Fund – Class R's annualized expense ratio of 0.67% for the period, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

### AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS OTHER INFORMATION (Unaudited)

A description of the policies and procedures the Funds use to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge upon request by calling toll-free (888) 726-9331, or on the Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") website at http://www.sec.gov. Information regarding how the Funds voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is also available without charge upon request by calling toll-free (888) 726-9331, or on the SEC's website http://www.sec.gov.

The Trust files a complete listing of portfolio holdings for each of the Funds with the SEC as of the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The filings are available free of charge, upon request, by calling (888) 726-9331. Furthermore, you may obtain a copy of the filings on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The Trust's Forms N-Q may also be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC, and information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.



Ave Maria Catholic Values Fund
Ave Maria Growth Fund
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund
Ave Maria Opportunity Fund
Ave Maria Bond Fund

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