

## **Catholic Student Retreats at USC**

**February 2018/Santa Monica, CA:** The William H. Hannon Foundation has provided a \$50,000 grant to Our Savior Parish and the USC Caruso Catholic Center (CCC) to help fund Catholic student retreats at the University of Southern California (USC). CCC is the largest religious institution on the USC campus and one of the largest Catholic communities west of the Mississippi.

During the 2016-2017 school year, over 130 students attended at least one retreat. The CCC offers Encounter and Discover retreats followed by four others that continue to deepen students' relationship with God and one another. By 2020, the CCC hopes to have each of the 400 regular Sunday Mass attendees participate in at least one retreat each school year.

"Promoting and enhancing Catholic fellowship and spiritual growth, like student retreats, was important to my late uncle, William Hannon, our Foundation's founder. The Caruso Catholic Center student retreats offer USC students an important opportunity to growth in their faith," said Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, President of the William H. Hannon Foundation.