

2019 Press Kit

THE 74th ANNUAL ALFRED E. SMITH MEMORIAL FOUNDATION DINNER A Legacy of Empowerment

The Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation

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Timothy Cardinal Dolan Archbishop of New York

His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan was named Archbishop of New York by Pope Benedict XVI on February 23, 2009. He was installed as Archbishop of New York on April 15, 2009.

He had served as Archbishop of Milwaukee since he was named by Pope John Paul II on June 25, 2002. He was installed as Milwaukee's 10th archbishop on August 28, 2002, at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, Papal Nuncio to the United States, installed Archbishop Dolan.

Born February 6, 1950, Cardinal Dolan was the first of five children born to Shirley Radcliffe Dolan and the late Robert Dolan. In 1964, he began his high school seminary education at St. Louis Preparatory Seminary South in Shrewsbury, Mo. His seminary foundation continued at Cardinal Glennon College, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy. He then completed his priestly formation at the Pontifical North American College in Rome where he earned a License in Sacred Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas.

Cardinal Dolan was ordained to the priesthood on June 19, 1976. He then served as associate pastor at Immacolata Parish in Richmond Heights, Mo., until 1979 when he began studies for a doctorate in American Church History at the Catholic University of America. Before completing the doctorate, he spent a year researching the late Archbishop Edwin O'Hara, a founder of the Catholic Biblical Association. Archbishop O'Hara's life and ministry was the subject of the Archbishop's doctoral dissertation.

On his return to St. Louis, Cardinal Dolan served in parish ministry from 1983-87, during which time he was also liaison for the late Archbishop John L. May in the restructuring of the college and theology programs of the archdiocesan seminary system.

In 1987, Cardinal Dolan was appointed to a five-year term as secretary to the Apostolic Nunciature in Washington, D.C. When he returned to St. Louis in 1992, he was appointed vice rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, serving also as director of Spiritual Formation and professor of Church History. He was also an adjunct professor of theology at Saint Louis University.

In 1994, he was appointed rector of the Pontifical North American College in Rome where he served until June 2001. While in Rome, he also served as a visiting professor of Church History at the Pontifical Gregorian University and as a faculty member in the Department of Ecumenical Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas. The work of the Cardinal in the area of seminary education has influenced the life and ministry of a great number of priests of the new millennium.

On June 19, 2001 – the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood – then Fr. Dolan was named the Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis by Pope John Paul II. The new Bishop Dolan chose for his Episcopal motto the profession of faith of St. Peter: Ad Quem Ibumus, "Lord To Whom Shall We Go?" (Jn 6:68).

Cardinal Dolan served as chairman of Catholic Relief Services from January 2009 – November 2010. He is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of The Catholic University of America. He is also a member of the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization and the Pontifical Council for Social Communications.

On June 29, 2009, Cardinal Dolan received the pallium, a symbol of his office as an archbishop, from His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, at St. Peter's Basilica.

On November 16, 2010, Cardinal Dolan was elected president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. He succeeded Cardinal Francis George of Chicago.

On January 6, 2012, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI announced that Cardinal Dolan was to be appointed to the College of Cardinals. He was elevated in the Consistory of February 18, 2012.

In 2013, Cardinal Dolan participated in the conclave that elected Pope Francis.

Cardinal Dolan currently serves as Chairman of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Pro-Life Activities Committee.



ALFRED EMANUEL SMITH (1873-1944)

Alfred Emanuel Smith was born on December 30, 1873 in a tenement right near the spot where the Brooklyn Bridge would span the East River. He grew up as a typical child of the city, playing on the streets and on the docks, attending his local parish school, St. James, where he also served as an altar boy.

When the lad was thirteen, however, his father died, and as a result he began a series of jobs, the most famous of which was in the Fulton Fish Market. Years later, Al proudly declared that he had graduated from the "F.F.M."

Al developed into a lively, outgoing young man, and in 1900 Alfred married a woman who would become his beloved partner, Catherine Dunn. Over the course of a lifelong marriage, they had five children - Alfred Jr., Emily, Catherine, Arthur, and Walter.

Al had been active in local theater, and he soon gravitated to a larger stage - that of politics. In 1903, he was elected to the New York State Assembly. Al's career in the legislature began poorly, but he soon applied one of his many talents - the capacity for very hard work - and began to study every bill, every aspect of the business of the Assembly. He became the master of the 1915 Constitutional Convention, which rewrote the state's fundamental legal document. One of the country's most distinguished scholars said that of all the delegates to the convention, "Al Smith was the best informed on the business of New York State."

Most important of all, Al co-chaired the investigation into the Triangle Shirtwaist Fire, and along with Robert Wagner, got the legislature to adopt the first modern fire prevention code in American history, which affects all of us today.

Al's career blossomed after this. In 1915 he became Sheriff of New York County, and in 1917 President of the Board of Aldermen of New York City. In 1918 he successfully ran for governor, and also won victories in 1922, 1924, and 1926. This made him one of only two governors in New York state history to be elected four times. Smith's performance in office was exemplary as he totally reorganized state government, placing it on a modern, rational basis. For example, Governor Smith was responsible for adopting the first comprehensive state budget; and for introducing the cabinet system, reducing the number of senior state officials from over one hundred eighty to sixteen.

ALFRED E. SMITH DINNER SPEAKERS

The first Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation Dinner was held on October 4, 1945 to inaugurate the building of the **Alfred E. Smith Wing** at Saint Vincent's Hospital. The speaker at the dinner was the Honorable James F. Byrnes, Secretary of State; furthermore, on May 14, 1946 the Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation was incorporated.

The following is a list of speakers of the Alfred E. Smith Memorial Dinner.

1. October 16, 1946 Honorable James F. Byrnes, Secretary of State
2. October 14, 1947 Honorable Sir Winston S. Churchill, Prime Minister of England
Honorable James V. Forrestal, Secretary of Defense
3. October 21, 1948 General Lucius D. Clay, American Military Governor in Germany
4. October 20, 1949 Honorable Dean Acheson, Secretary of State
5. October 19, 1950 Honorable Alben W. Barkley, Vice President of the United States
6. October 16, 1951 Admiral Alan G. Kirk, United States Ambassador to the USSR
7. October 18, 1952 General Dwight D. Eisenhower
8. October 08, 1953 General Alfred E. Gruenther, Supreme Commander, Allied Powers
9. October 12, 1954 General Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States
10. October 12, 1955 General Maxwell D. Taylor, Chief of Staff, United States Army
11. October 18, 1956 Honorable Richard M. Nixon, Vice President of the United States
12. October 17, 1957 Honorable Clare Booth Luce, United States Ambassador
13. October 13, 1958 General Mark W. Clark
14. October 21, 1959 Honorable John F. Kennedy, United States Senator (Massachusetts)
15. October 19, 1960 Honorable John F. Kennedy, United States Senator (Massachusetts)
Honorable Richard M. Nixon, Vice President of the United States
16. October 18, 1961 General Dwight D. Eisenhower, General of the United States Army
17. October 09, 1962 Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice President of the United States
18. October 16, 1963 His Majesty, King Humbert of Savoy
19. October 14, 1964 Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States
20. October 13, 1965 Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey, Vice President of the United States
21. October 13, 1966 Honorable Richard M. Nixon
22. October 18, 1967 Honorable Arthur J. Goldberg, Ambassador to the United Nations
23. October 16, 1968 Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States
Honorable Hubert M. Humphrey, Vice President of the United States
Honorable Richard M. Nixon
24. October 16, 1969 Honorable Spiro T. Agnew, Vice President of the United States
Doctor Thomas O. Paine, NASA
25. October 21, 1970 Mr. Bob Hope
26. October 10, 1971 Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge, Former United States Senator
27. October 19, 1972 Honorable Spiro T. Agnew, Vice President of the United States
Honorable Kurt Waldheim, United Nations Secretary-General
28. October 18, 1973 Honorable William Hughes Mulligan, United States
Court of Appeals
29. October 16, 1974 Honorable Henry A. Kissinger, United States Secretary of State
30. October 16, 1975 Honorable Ella T. Grasso, Governor of Connecticut
31. October 21, 1976 Honorable Gerald Ford, President of the United States
Honorable Jimmy Carter, Former Governor of Georgia
Doctor Howard A. Rusk, New York University
32. October 13, 1977 Honorable Hugh L. Carey, Governor of New York

33. October 19, 1978 Mr. Danny Thomas
34. October 18, 1979 Honorable Walter F. Mondale, Vice President of the United States
35. October 16, 1980 Honorable Jimmy Carter, President of the United States
Honorable Ronald W. Reagan, Former Governor of California
Honorable William Hughes Mulligan, United States Court of Appeals
36. October 22, 1981 Mrs. Ronald W. Reagan, First Lady of the United States
Mr. J. Peter Grace, Department of Health and Human Services
37. October 21, 1982 Honorable George W. Bush, Vice President of the United States
38. October 21, 1983 Lee A. Iacocca, Chairman, Chrysler Corporation
39. October 18, 1984 Honorable Ronald W. Reagan, President of the United States
40. October 17, 1985 Honorable William Hughes Mulligan; Partner, Skadden,
Arps, Mealgher, and Flom
41. October 16, 1986 Honorable Vernon A. Walters, Ambassador to the United Nations
42. October 15, 1987 Honorable William J. Bennett, Secretary of Education
43. October 20, 1988 Honorable George H.W. Bush, Vice President of the United States
Honorable Michael Dukakis, Governor of Massachusetts
44. October 19, 1989 Mrs. George H.W. Bush, First Lady of the United States
45. October 18, 1990 Miss Beverly Sills
46. October 16, 1991 Honorable John Sununu, White House Chief of Staff
47. October 15, 1992 Honorable Robert P. Casey, Governor of Pennsylvania
48. October 21, 1993 Honorable Robert Dole, United States Senator from Kansas
49. October 13, 1994 Honorable Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
50. October 19, 1995 His Eminence John Cardinal O'Connor, Archbishop of New York
51. October 17, 1996 Honorable Albert Gore, Jr., Vice President of the United States
Honorable Jack Kemp, Secretary, United States Department of
Housing and Urban Development
52. October 16, 1997 Mr. Timothy Russert, Broadcaster, Host of "MEET THE PRESS"
53. October 15, 1998 Mr. Tom Brokaw, Broadcaster, Anchor "NBC NIGHTLY NEWS"
54. October 21, 1999 Mr. Bob Newhart
55. October 19, 2000 Honorable Albert Gore, Jr., Vice President of the United States;
Honorable George W. Bush, Governor of Texas
56. October 18, 2001 Honorable Richard B. Cheney, Vice President of the United States
57. October 17, 2002 Honorable Colin L. Powell, Secretary of State
58. October 22, 2003 General Tommy R. Franks, United States Army (ret.)
59. October 21, 2004 Honorable George H.W. Bush, Former President of the United States
Honorable Hugh L. Carey, Former Governor of the State of
New York
60. October 20, 2005 Honorable John S. McCain, III, United States Senator from Arizona
61. October 19, 2006 Mr. Brian Williams, MSNBC, NBC News Anchor
62. October 18, 2007 Mr. Anthony Charles Lynton Blair, Quartet Representative
63. October 16, 2008 Honorable John S. McCain, III, United States Senator from Arizona
Honorable Barack Obama, United States Senator from Illinois
64. October 15, 2009 Admiral Mike Mullen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
65. October 19, 2010 James Carville and Mary Matalin, Political Consultants
66. October 20, 2011 Stephen A. Schwarzman, Chairman, CEO and Co-Founder,
The Blackstone Group
67. October 18, 2012 Honorable Barack H. Obama, President of the United States
Honorable Willard Mitt Romney, Former Governor of Massachusetts
68. October 17, 2013 Mr. Stephen T. Colbert, Host of "The Colbert Report"
69. October 1, 2014 Mr. Charlie Rose, Anchor, CHARLIE ROSE, CHARLIE ROSE: THE WEEK,
CBS THIS MORNING
70. November 10, 2015 Honorable Michael R. Bloomberg, Former Mayor of New York

71. October 20, 2016 Honorable Hilary Rodham Clinton and Mr. Donald Trump
72. October 19, 2017 Honorable Paul Ryan, Speaker of the House
73. October 18, 2018 Honorable Nikki R. Haley, United States Representative to the United Nations
74. October 17, 2019 General James N. Mattis, USMC (Retired), 26th U. S. Secretary of Defense



General James N. Mattis
2019 Keynote Speaker

General James Mattis, USMC (Retired) and 26th U. S. Secretary of Defense

Jim Mattis was raised in Southeastern Washington and graduated from Central Washington State College.

He served over 40 years in the Marine Corps as an infantry officer, plus duty in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, as NATO Supreme Allied Commander, and as Commander of U.S. Central Command comprised of 250,000 U.S. and allied troops in combat across the Middle East and South Asia.

Most recently, General Mattis heeded the call to serve his country, yet again, as the 26th United States Secretary of Defense, an office he held from January 2017 to December 2018. In September 2019, he published the New York Times bestseller **Call Sign Chaos: Learning to Lead**, an autobiographical account of leadership and strategy in a rapidly changing world.



MARY ANN TIGHE
2019 Happy Warrior Award Recipient

Mary Ann Tighe is the chief executive officer of the New York Tri-State Region of CBRE, the world's largest commercial real estate services firm. A New York native, Ms. Tighe holds the distinction of brokering commercial transactions yielding over 101.6 million square feet and has anchored more than 14.4 million square feet of new construction in the New York region throughout her distinguished career. Ms. Tighe has been named to Crain's New York Business Most Powerful Women every year since 2007, and earned top rank in 2011 across all New York City categories.

Mary Ann Tighe has spearheaded some of the most influential real estate projects in New York City's recent history, including the revitalization of Times Square with Condé Nast's relocation in 1996, Ogilvy & Mather's 2008 worldwide headquarters relocation to 636 Eleventh Avenue, and Coach's 2013 purchase of a condo interest in 10 Hudson Yards.

A graduate of Catholic University of America, she started her career as a fellow at the Smithsonian while still in graduate school and joined the White House Domestic Policy staff as Arts Advisor to Vice President Walter Mondale after completing her studies. When she returned to New York City, Ms. Tighe pursued a career in the cable television industry, eventually launching the A&E Channel. Tighe served as Chairman of the Real Estate Board of New York for a three-year term starting in January 2010. She was the first woman to hold the position in REBNY's 114-year history. She currently serves on a number of boards across the city and serves as a Trustee of St. Patrick's Cathedral. Tighe co-founded the Scarangelo Scholarship program in 1982 at Cardinal Spellman High School. The program honors the memory of Tighe's parents by providing a Catholic high school education to six students at the school each year. She also funds scholarships at Saints Peter and Paul School, her grade school, through the Inner-City Scholarship Fund.



Martin Short
Master of Ceremonies

Martin Short, a celebrated comedian and actor, has won fans and accolades in television, film, and theater since his breakout season on *Saturday Night Live* over 30 years ago. Short won his first Emmy in 1982 while working on Canada's *SCTV Comedy Network*, which brought him to the attention of the producers of SNL. He became an *SNL* fan-favorite for his portrayal of characters Ed Grimley, lawyer Nathan Thurm, and "legendary songwriter" Irving Cohen. His popularity and exposure on *SNL* led Short to cross over quickly into feature films. He made his debut in *Three Amigos* and followed with *Innerspace*, *Three Fugitives*, *Clifford*, *Pure Luck*, and Tim Burton's *Mars Attacks*. One of Short's most memorable roles was in the remake of *Father of the Bride* as Franck the wedding planner, a role he reprised a few years later in *Father of the Bride Part II*.

Short received a Tony Award, Theatre World Award, and an Outer Critics Circle Award for his role in the revival of *Little Me*. A two-time primetime Emmy winner and daytime Emmy nominee, Short returned to television in 1998 for the miniseries *Merlin* and to host of *The Martin Short Show*. In 2001, he launched the popular comedy *Primetime Glick* and received critical acclaim for his role in FX's drama series *Damages* in 2010. He has hosted *SNL* three times and performed in the series' landmark 40th anniversary special in February 2015.

Short's New York Times bestselling memoir, *I Must Say: My Life as a Humble Comedy Legend*, was published in 2014.

**2019 ALFRED E. SMITH DINNER
MEDIA SCHEDULE**

Thursday, October 17, 2019
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- 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Media Check-in Main Lobby
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Media transitions to Press Room
- 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Media is escorted to Grand Ballroom Balcony
- 7:15 p.m. Dinner is announced
 - 7:30 p.m. Announcement of the Dais guests
 - 7:42 p.m. Singing of the National Anthem
 - 7:45 p.m. Invocation by Cardinal Dolan
 - 7:50 p.m. Welcome remarks by Martin Short
- 7:55 p.m. Media returns to the Press Room (New York)
(Refreshments and Wi-Fi will be available)

Dinner Service in the Ballroom from 8:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

- 8:35 p.m. Media is escorted to Balcony for Formal Program and Remarks
- 8:45 p.m. Al Smith Video Presentation
 - 8:50 p.m. Martin Short introduces Vice Chair Mary Erdoes
 - 8:52 p.m. Presentation of the Happy Warrior Award
 - 8:57 p.m. Mary Ann Tighe (Award Recipient) Remarks
 - 9:02 p.m. Martin Short introduces General Mattis
 - 9:05 p.m. General Mattis Remarks (10 – 15 minutes)
 - 9:20 p.m. Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio delivers the closing prayer
- 9:25 p.m. Evening Concludes

A stylized, cursive signature of Alfred E. Smith in a dark red color, positioned above a thin horizontal line of the same color.

THE ALFRED E. SMITH MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Fact Sheet

- The Sixth Archbishop of New York, **His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman**, founded the dinner.
- The first dinner was held on October 4, 1945 to inaugurate the construction of the **Alfred E. Smith Memorial Wing** at Saint Vincent's Hospital in New York City.
- The first time both Presidential Candidates were present for the Dinner was 1960 with **Senator John F. Kennedy** and **Vice President Richard Nixon** delivering the keynote speeches.
- 2019 Keynote Speaker **General James N. Mattis USMC (Retired)** served as NATO Supreme Allied Commander, Commander of U.S. Central Command, and oversaw 250,000 U.S. and allied troops in combat across the Middle East until his retirement in 2013. He served as the 26th United States Secretary of Defense from January 2017 to December 2018.
- Proceeds from the 2019 dinner will benefit organizations supporting needy children.
- The total number of guests attending the 2019 **Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation Dinner** is 1000.
- The **Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation** has surpassed last year's dinner revenue of \$3.9 million, becoming the highest-grossing dinner in a non-presidential election year.
- For more information, please visit the website **alsmithfoundation.org**



THE ALFRED E. SMITH MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

The Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation provides annual financial support to not-for-profit organizations working with children who are impoverished, neglected, abused, emotionally troubled, and physically handicapped.

The following is a list of 2018 Grant Recipients:

Alianza Dominicana

ArchCare

Astor Services for Children and Families

Bigs & Littles NYC Mentoring

Cabrini Mission Foundation

Camp Veritas

Cardinal Hayes Home for Children

Cardinal McCloskey Community Services

*Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange
and Sullivan County*

Catholic Charities of Staten Island

Catholic Education Advancement

Catholic Guardian Services

Catholic Relief Services

The Center for Discovery

Champions for Quality Education

Create

Elizabeth Seton Children's

Good Counsel

Alfred E. Smith

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2018 Grant Recipients Continued

Good Shepherd Services

Incarnation Children's Center

Inner-City Scholarship Fund

Little Sisters of the Assumption

Mercy Center

The National Gianna Center for Women's

Health and Fertility

The New York Foundling

Part of the Solution

Partnership Schools

Pierre Toussaint Scholarship Fund

Saint Dominic's Home

Saint Patrick's Cathedral

San Miguel Academy of Newburgh