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Dear Fellow Shareholders of:

Ave Maria Value Fund (AVEMX) Ave Maria Growth Fund (AVEGX) Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund (AVEDX) Ave Maria World Equity Fund (AVEWX) Ave Maria Bond Fund (AVEFX) Ave Maria Money Market Account

Despite the headlines, the U.S. economy looks strong.

The U.S. economic success of 2018 was aided by tax reform enacted in 2017 and a significant reduction in government regulations. The foot of the Federal Government was lifted from the neck of capitalism, when the current pro-growth (and pro-life) administration came into office. Currently, consumer confidence, CEO confidence, and small business optimism are near record highs. Based on our research, the economy and corporate profits are still expanding, but at a slower rate than 2018.

A recession doesn't appear to be in the cards for 2019. We have been surprised at the extent to which many market participants are conflating the potential for a slowdown in economic and earnings growth this year with a recession. There was an unusual divergence in 2018 between S&P earnings, up 22%, and S&P 500 price performance, down 7%. Likely causes include: 1) trade tensions, 2) Fed tightening, 3) oil plunging, 4) global slowdown, 5) Trump uncertainty. In 2019, S&P Earnings should be up 5% to 10%, a slowdown in the rate of growth, not a recession. Unemployment is currently below 4% and at a multi-decade low. Gross Domestic Product growth is near 3%, much better than the sub 2% growth achieved in the prior Administration.

We remain optimistic on the long-term investment merits of the well-selected securities in the Ave Maria Mutual Funds. A growing economy, with rising corporate profits, strong employment and low inflation should support continued prosperity benefiting virtually all Americans. Resolution of any of the current political uncertainties could also further consumer and business confidence.

We remain focused in our efforts to invest in high-quality companies, in sound financial condition, selling at attractive valuations. As you know, investment decisions are guided by our Catholic Advisory Board, which provides the foundation for Morally Responsible Investing (MRI).

Thank you for investing in the Ave Maria Mutual Funds. We will continue to work hard to justify your confidence.

Respectfully,

George P. Schwarz

George P. Schwartz, CFA Chairman & CEO

January 1, 2019

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#### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited)

Dear Fellow Shareowner:

2018 was a challenging year for investors around the globe. The U.S. stock market recorded its worst performance since 2008, with the S&P 500 down -4.4% for the year. Foreign stock markets fared worse, with Japan (Nikkei 225) down -12.1%, Germany (DAX) -20.6%, and China (Shanghai Composite) -27.0%. Moreover, nearly every asset class had a negative return for 2018, as shown in the table below.

		2018
Asset Class	Ticker	Return
Cash	BIL	1.7%
TIPS	TIP	-1.4%
Long-Term Treasuries	TLT	-1.6%
Gold	GLD	-1.9%
High Yield Bonds	HYG	-2.0%
Investment Grade Bonds	LQD	-3.8%
U.S. Large Cap Stocks	SPY	-4.5%
Emerging Market Bonds	EMB	-5.5%
REITS	VNQ	-6.0%
U.S. Small Cap Stocks	IWM	-11.1%
Commodities	DBC	-11.6%
EAFE Stocks	EFA	-13.8%
Emerging Market Stocks	EEM	-15.3%

ETF Total Returns

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The Ave Maria Value Fund (the "Fund") was unable to avoid most of the wreckage, posting a total return of -8.75% for the year ended December 31, 2018. However, the Fund outperformed its benchmark the S&P 400 Midcap Index which declined -11.08%, and its Morningstar mid-blend category average, which declined -11.16%. For the year, the Fund's performance placed it in the top quartile out of 464 Funds in Morningstar's mid-blend category, outpacing 75% of the funds in that peer group.

The multi-year cycle of growth stocks outperforming value stocks continued in 2018. The Russell 1000 Growth index finished the year down -1.51%, while the Russell 1000 Value index was down -8.27%. Likewise, large-cap stocks continued their outperformance over small-caps. According to Morningstar, the best performing fund category was large-cap growth down -2.1%. In contrast, the worst performing fund category was small-cap value down -15.6%. In the S&P 500, the best performing sectors were health care, utilities, and consumer discretionary, while the worst performing sectors were energy, materials,

### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

and industrials. In this environment of large-cap growth outperformance, the Fund's mid-cap exposure, along with its value-oriented positions hurt relative performance.

The Fund owned a handful of stocks that appreciated sharply during the year. The Fund's five best performing stocks in 2018 were:

2010

2018

Company	Industry	Performance
Avid Bioservices, Inc.	Biotechnology	+69.71%
The Madison Square Garden Co.	Leisure and Entertainment	+27.17%
HEICO Corporation	Aerospace & Defense	+24.79%
Texas Pacific Land Trust	Oil/Gas Royalties/	
	Real Estate	+22.34%
Coca-Cola European Partners	Beverages Distributor	+18.45%

On the negative side, Spectrum Brands was the Fund's worst performing security last year. We initiated a position in Spectrum in early 2018. Unfortunately, shortly after our investment, the company experienced some operational problems that negatively impacted results. We increased our position near year end, as we still believe the shares are undervalued with significant recovery potential and the catalyst for the recovery is expected to occur in the first half of 2019.

The Fund's energy related holdings performed poorly in the 4th quarter last year, as oil prices dropped sharply during the period. We remain confident that our energy related holdings – Texas Pacific Land Trust, Noble Energy and Pioneer Natural Resources – are well managed, high-quality companies, in strong financial condition.

The Fund's five worst performing stocks in 2018 were:

Company	Industry	Performance
Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Products	-55.37%
American Airlines Group, Inc.	Airlines	-38.61%
KKR & Co., Inc.	Asset Management	-38.60%
Noble Energy, Inc.	Oil/Gas Exploration	
	& Production	-30.55%
Axalta Coating Systems Ltd.	Specialty Chemicals	-29.71%

### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

During the second half of 2018 the Fund liquidated its holdings of ARRIS International plc, as the company agreed to be acquired by a larger competitor, and Unico American Corporation due to deteriorating fundamentals. The following companies were also sold as their share prices reached our estimate of intrinsic value: Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp., Graco, Inc., Hexcel Corporation, Moody's Corporation, and Tractor Supply Company. Four new holdings to the portfolio were: Gildan Activewear – an apparel manufacturing company; Rosetta Stone, Inc. – which provides technology-based learning products worldwide; DowDupont Inc. – which engages in agriculture, materials science, and specialty products businesses worldwide; and Valvoline, Inc. – which manufactures and markets automotive lubricants and provides maintenance services.

During the last 3 months of 2018, it seems negative headlines dominated the capitals markets. Investors were rattled by a myriad of issues including: the ongoing trade war with China, slowing global growth fears, widening credit spreads, the flattening yield curve, rising interest rates, and political dysfunction in Washington. Consequently, 2018 ended with December registering the worst month for the S&P 500 since 1931. Although stocks have suffered some jaw-dropping declines in recent months, astute investors know that a marvelous buying opportunity can arise when fear is widespread. So, when others are panicking and selling indiscriminately, we try to remain calm and search for bargains amidst the chaos. Such periods of short-term market turmoil often create opportunities to acquire shares of great companies when they are on sale. That's the essence of value investing.

In our opinion, the economic and market environment remains positive with a growing U.S. economy, rising corporate profits, strong employment measures, low inflationary pressures, and interest rates that remain accommodative. A resolution to some of the Washington political turmoil could give a boost to consumer sentiment and business confidence. As always, we remain diligent in our efforts to invest in high-quality companies, in sound financial condition, when they are selling at attractive valuations.

#### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

The year-end distribution of \$1.85 per share consisted solely of long-term capital gains. The net asset value of the Fund ended the year at \$17.19 per share.

Thank you for being a shareholder in the Ave Maria Value Fund.

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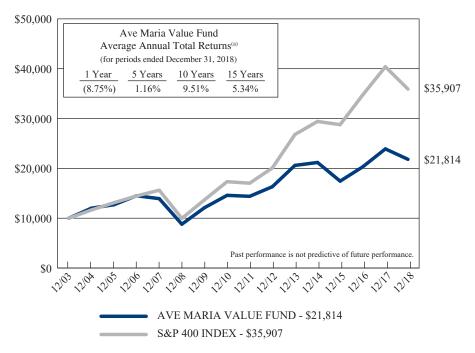
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#### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

#### Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Value Fund and the S&P 400 Index



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

Expense ratio as of 12-31-17 (as disclosed in May 1, 2018 prospectus)	1.21%*
Expense ratio for the year ended 12-31-18	1.18%

\* Includes Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses.

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

	AVE MARIA VALUE FUND	S&P 400 INDEX	S&P 500 INDEX
	VALUETUND	INDEA	INDEA
2001 <sup>(a)</sup>	5.3%	-0.5%	-8.5%
2002	-9.8%	-14.5%	-22.1%
2003	35.6%	35.6%	28.7%
2004	20.1%	16.5%	10.9%
2005	5.8%	12.6%	4.9%
2006	14.2%	10.3%	15.8%
2007	-4.0%	8.0%	5.5%
2008	-36.8%	-36.2%	-37.0%
2009	37.6%	37.4%	26.5%
2010	20.5%	26.7%	15.1%
2011	-1.3%	-1.7%	2.1%
2012	13.3%	17.9%	16.0%
2013	26.2%	33.5%	32.4%
2014	2.9%	9.8%	13.7%
2015	-17.7%	-2.2%	1.4%
2016	16.4%	20.7%	12.0%
2017	17.7%	16.2%	21.8%
2018	-8.8%	-11.1%	-4.4%
2018	-8.8%	-11.1%	-4

# **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** As of December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA VALUE FUND	S&P 400 INDEX	S&P 500 INDEX
3 Years	7.8%	7.7%	9.3%
5 Years	1.2%	6.0%	8.5%
10 Years	9.5%	13.7%	13.1%
15 Years	5.3%	8.9%	7.8%
Since Inception <sup>(b)</sup>	6.0%	8.4%	6.0%

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

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2001) through December 31, 2018.

# AVE MARIA VALUE FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
25,500	Texas Pacific Land Trust	\$ 13,811,565	6.5%
195,312	HEICO Corporation - Class A	12,304,656	5.8%
175,000	Delta Air Lines, Inc.	8,732,500	4.1%
160,000	InterXion Holding N.V.	8,665,600	4.1%
150,000	DowDuPont, Inc.	8,022,000	3.8%
385,000	Qurate Retail, Inc.	7,515,200	3.5%
150,000	Coca-Cola European Partners plc	6,877,500	3.3%
10,536	Alleghany Corporation	6,567,300	3.1%
200,000	Liberty Media Corporation - Liberty Formula		
	One - Series C	6,140,000	2.9%
200,000	Gildan Activewear, Inc.	6,072,000	2.9%

# ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)

Sector	% of Net Assets
Communication Services	7.4%
Consumer Discretionary	12.6%
Consumer Staples	8.1%
Energy	9.3%
Financials	8.8%
Health Care	3.0%
Industrials	20.2%
Information Technology	8.0%
Materials	8.1%
Money Market Funds, Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	14.5%
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# **AVE MARIA VALUE FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2018**

COMMON STOCKS — 85.5%	Shares	Market Value
Communication Services — 7.4%		
Entertainment — 7.4%		
Liberty Media Corporation - Liberty Formula One -		
Series C *	200,000	\$ 6,140,000
Madison Square Garden Company (The) - Class A *	15,000	4,015,500
Rosetta Stone, Inc. *	336,018	5,510,695
		15,666,195
Consumer Discretionary — 12.6%		
Diversified Consumer Services — 2.5%		
frontdoor, inc. *	75,000	1,995,750
Graham Holdings Company - Class B	5,000	3,202,900
		5,198,650
Household Durables — 2.4%		
Garmin Ltd	80,000	5,065,600
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail — 3.5%		
Qurate Retail, Inc. *	385,000	7,515,200
Specialty Retail — 1.3%		
AutoNation, Inc. *	78,300	2,795,310
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods — 2.9%		
Gildan Activewear, Inc.	200,000	6,072,000
Consumer Staples — 8.1%		
Beverages — 6.1%		
Brown-Forman Corporation - Class B	125,000	5,947,500
Coca-Cola European Partners plc	150,000	6,877,500
	100,000	12,825,000
Household Products $-2.0\%$		
Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc.	100,000	4,225,000
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Energy — 9.3%		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels — 9.3%		
Noble Energy, Inc.	100,000	1,876,000
Pioneer Natural Resources Company	30,000	3,945,600
Texas Pacific Land Trust	25,500	13,811,565
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Financials — 8.8%		
Banks - 1.4%		
Fifth Third Bancorp	125,000	2,941,250
	125,000	

# AVE MARIA VALUE FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

COMMON STOCKS — 85.5% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Financials — 8.8% (Continued)		
Capital Markets — 2.3%		
Interactive Brokers Group, Inc Class A	80,000	\$ 4,372,000
KKR & Company, Inc Class A	25,000	490,750
		4,862,750
Consumer Finance — 1.6%		
Discover Financial Services	60,000	3,538,800
Insurance — 3.5%		
Alleghany Corporation	10,536	6,567,300
Athene Holding Ltd Class A *	20,000	796,600
C C		7,363,900
Health Care — 3.0%		
Biotechnology — 0.6%		
Avid Bioservices, Inc. *	300,000	1,230,000
Health Care Equipment & Supplies — 2.4%	<b>5</b> 0.000	<b>7</b> 10 C 000
Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc.	50,000	5,186,000
Industrials — 20.2%		
Aerospace & Defense — 5.8%		
HEICO Corporation - Class A	195,312	12,304,656
Airlines — 6.2%		
American Airlines Group, Inc.	135,000	4,334,850
Delta Air Lines, Inc	175,000	8,732,500
		13,067,350
Commercial Services & Supplies — 1.7%		
KAR Auction Services, Inc.	75,000	3,579,000
Electrical Environment 2 201		
Electrical Equipment — 2.3% AMETEK, Inc.	70,000	4,739,000
AMETER, IIIC.	70,000	4,739,000
Industrial Conglomerates — 1.9%		
Roper Technologies, Inc.	15,000	3,997,800
Road & Rail — 2.3%		
AMERCO	15,000	4,921,650
Information Technology — 8.0%		
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components — 3.6%		
Arrow Electronics, Inc. *	75,000	5,171,250
Avnet, Inc.	70,000	2,527,000
	, 0,000	7,698,250

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

COMMON STOCKS — 85.5% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Information Technology — 8.0% (Continued) <i>IT Services</i> — 4.4% GDS Holdings Ltd ADR * InterXion Holding N.V. *	25,000 160,000	\$ 577,250 <u>8,665,600</u>
Materials — 8.1% <i>Chemicals</i> — 8.1% Axalta Coating Systems Ltd. * DowDuPont, Inc	100,000 150,000	<u>9,242,850</u> 2,342,000 8,022,000
Platform Specialty Products Corporation * Valvoline, Inc Total Common Stocks (Cost \$155,801,380)	225,000 225,000	$\begin{array}{r} 2,324,250\\ \underline{4,353,750}\\ \underline{17,042,000}\\ \$ 180,711,376\end{array}$

MONEY MARKET FUNDS — 16.3%	Shares	Market Value
Federated Government Obligations Tax-Managed Fund -		
Institutional Shares, 2.18% <sup>(a)</sup> Federated Treasury Obligations Fund -	10,140,146	\$ 10,140,146
Institutional Shares, 2.31% (a)	10,140,146	10,140,146
Federated U.S. Treasury Cash Reserves Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.19% <sup>(a)</sup>	10,140,146	10,140,146
Invesco Short-Term Investments Trust (The) - Treasury Portfolio - Institutional Class, 2.30% <sup>(a)</sup>	4 112 200	4 112 200
Total Money Market Funds (Cost \$34,533,247)	4,112,809	$\frac{4,112,809}{\$ 34,533,247}$
Total Investments at Market Value — 101.8%		
(Cost \$190,334,627)		\$ 215,244,623
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets — (1.8%)		(3,763,544)
Net Assets — 100.0%		<u>\$ 211,481,079</u>

ADR - American Depositary Receipt.

\* Non-income producing security.

<sup>(a)</sup> The rate shown is the 7-day effective yield as of December 31, 2018.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited)

Dear Fellow Shareholders,

For 2018, the Ave Maria Growth Fund (the "Fund") had a total return of -1.80% compared with the benchmark S&P 500 Index total return of -4.38%. In 2018, the Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average total return was -6.59%. For the three-year period ended December 31, 2018, the Fund outperformed 94% of the Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average out of 542 funds. Long-term performance measures are summarized below.

Fund or Index Name	Three-year Annualized	Five-year Annualized	Ten-year Annualized
Ave Maria Growth			
Fund, net of fees	11.91%	7.95%	13.52%
S&P 500 Index	9.26%	8.49%	13.12%
Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average	7.29%	5.64%	13.16%

\* As of December 31, 2018

In 2018, top contributors to return included O'Reilly Automotive, Mastercard, Medtronic, TJX Companies, and Visa. Top detractors from return included Moody's, Rockwell Automation, AutoNation, FedEx, and Brookfield Asset Management.

S&P Global (credit ratings, indices, data and analytics provider) was the one new addition to the Fund during the fourth quarter. Here is our rationale for buying S&P Global:

• S&P Global's credit ratings business is part of an oligopoly (with Moody's and Fitch), comprising 95% of the ratings market. The company is positioned to remain a credit ratings leader, because time-constrained issuers typically meet with no more than a few rating agencies. Plus, investors want comparability across asset classes, geographies, and time horizons. S&P's ratings business generates a high operating margin, in the mid-50% area. S&P's other businesses also generate high margins.

The broad market sell-off during the fourth quarter resulted in the prices of many companies reaching deep discounts to our estimate of intrinsic value. As such, we increased the position size of 12 existing companies in the Fund, with a focus on some of the Fund's most extraordinary companies. Therefore, the Fund's cash balance declined to 1.5% and some positions were exited, including 3M Company (diversified industrial and consumer products), Liberty Formula One (sport league operator), Linde plc (industrial gases), MSC Industrial Direct

#### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

(industrial distribution), Ross Stores (off-price retail), and TJX Companies (off-price retail). These are all great companies and remain on our "farm team" for future consideration.

Our goal remains to purchase shares of exceptional companies at attractive prices to produce favorable returns over the long run. Our team continues to spend considerable time searching for companies that fit our quality and price requirements. We appreciate your participation in the Ave Maria Growth Fund.

With best regards,

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Brian D. Milligan, CFA Lead Portfolio Manager

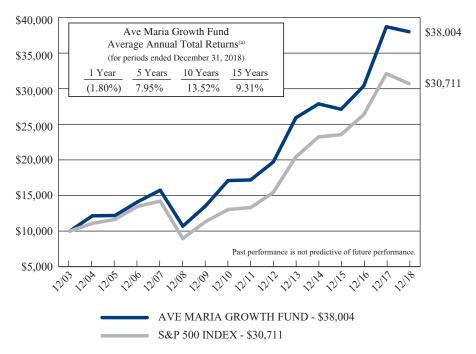
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#### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

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



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

Expense ratio as of 12-31-17 (as disclosed in May 1, 2018 prospectus)	0.97%*
Expense ratio for the year ended 12-31-18	0.95%

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

	AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
2003 <sup>(a)</sup>	23.4%	22.8%
2004	21.5%	10.9%
2005	0.3%	4.9%
2006	15.8%	15.8%
2007	11.6%	5.5%
2008	-32.1%	-37.0%
2009	26.4%	26.5%
2010	26.5%	15.1%
2011	0.5%	2.1%
2012	14.7%	16.0%
2013	31.5%	32.4%
2014	7.5%	13.7%
2015	-2.7%	1.4%
2016	12.1%	12.0%
2017	27.4%	21.8%
2018	-1.8%	-4.4%

#### **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** As of December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
3 Years	11.9%	9.3%
5 Years	8.0%	8.5%
10 Years	13.5%	13.1%
15 Years	9.3%	7.8%
Since Inception <sup>(b)</sup>	10.4%	8.8%

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

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2018.

# AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
142,000	Mastercard, Inc Class A	\$ 26,788,300	4.6%
559,000	Copart, Inc	26,709,020	4.6%
630,000	Charles Schwab Corporation (The)	26,163,900	4.5%
198,000	Visa, Inc Class A	26,124,120	4.5%
148,000	SBA Communications Corporation	23,959,720	4.1%
615,000	Brookfield Asset Management, Inc Class A	23,585,250	4.1%
63,000	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	21,692,790	3.8%
233,000	Medtronic plc	21,193,680	3.7%
140,000	Rockwell Automation, Inc.	21,067,200	3.6%
77,000	Roper Technologies, Inc	20,522,040	3.5%

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

Sector	% of Net Assets
Communication Services	3.1%
Consumer Discretionary	13.4%
Consumer Staples	3.1%
Energy	0.5%
Financials	14.3%
Health Care	6.3%
Industrials	29.0%
Information Technology	20.9%
Materials	2.6%
Real Estate	5.6%
Money Market Funds, Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	1.2%
	100.0%

# AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2018

COMMON STOCKS — 98.8%	Shares	Market Value
Communication Services — 3.1%		
Entertainment — 2.4%		
Liberty Media Corporation - Liberty Braves -		
Series A *	32,000	\$ 798,080
Liberty Media Corporation - Liberty Braves -		
Series C *	78,000	1,941,420
Madison Square Garden Company (The) - Class A *	35,000	9,369,500
Rosetta Stone, Inc. *	100,000	1,640,000
		13,749,000
Media — 0.7%		
Discovery, Inc Series C *	175,000	4,039,000
Consumer Discretionary — 13.4%		
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail — 2.7%		
Booking Holdings, Inc. *	9,000	15,501,780
Specialty Retail — 8.7%		
AutoNation, Inc. *	325,000	11,602,500
Lowe's Companies, Inc.	185,000	17,086,600
O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. *	63,000	21,692,790
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Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods — 2.0%		
VF Corporation	160,000	11,414,400
Consumer Staples — 3.1%		
Beverages — 3.1%		
Brown-Forman Corporation - Class B	382,000	18,175,560
	002,000	
Energy — 0.5%		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels — 0.5%		
Texas Pacific Land Trust	5,000	2,708,150
Financials — 14.3%		
Capital Markets — 13.5%		
Brookfield Asset Management, Inc Class A	615,000	23,585,250
Charles Schwab Corporation (The)	630,000	26,163,900
Moody's Corporation	111,000	15,544,440
S&P Global, Inc.	76,000	12,915,440
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Insurance — 0.8%		
Markel Corporation *	4,500	4,671,225

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

COMMON STOCKS — 98.8% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Health Care — 6.3%		
Health Care Equipment & Supplies — 6.3%		
Medtronic plc	233,000	\$ 21,193,680
Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc	145,000	15,039,400
Industrials — 29.0%		
Aerospace & Defense — 5.9% HEICO Corporation - Class A	311,388	19,617,444
Hercel Corporation	255,000	14,621,700
	255,000	34,239,144
Air Freight & Logistics — 3.8%		
Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	110,000	7,489,900
FedEx Corporation	90,000	14,519,700
1		22,009,600
Commercial Services & Supplies — 4.6%		
Copart, Inc. *	559,000	26,709,020
Electrical Equipment — 5.7%	172 000	11 ( 11 400
AMETEK, Inc Rockwell Automation, Inc	172,000 140,000	11,644,400 21,067,200
Rockwell Automation, Inc.	140,000	32,711,600
Industrial Conglomerates — 3.5%		
Roper Technologies, Inc.	77.000	20,522,040
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Machinery — 5.5%		
Fortive Corporation	200,000	13,532,000
Graco, Inc.	431,000	18,037,350
		31,569,350
Information Technology — 20.9% IT Services — 15.4%		
Accenture plc - Class A	141,000	19,882,410
Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc.	40,000	3,850,000
Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation -	10,000	2,020,000
Class A	198,000	12,569,040
Mastercard, Inc Class A	142,000	26,788,300
Visa, Inc Class A	198,000	26,124,120
		89,213,870
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment — 3.0%	105000	1.5 100 500
Texas Instruments, Inc	185,000	17,482,500
Software — 2.5%		
Software — 2.5% ANSYS, Inc. *	100,000	14,294,000
<sup>1</sup> 11010, IIIC.	100,000	

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

COMMON STOCKS — 98.8% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Materials — 2.6% <i>Chemicals</i> — 2.6% Ecolab, Inc	100,000	<u>\$ 14,735,000</u>
Real Estate — 5.6% Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) — 5.6% Equinix, Inc SBA Communications Corporation *	23,000 148,000	8,108,880 23,959,720 32,068,600
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$488,512,284)		<u>\$ 570,637,839</u>

MONEY MARKET FUNDS - 2.0%	Shares	Market Value
Federated Government Obligations Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.18% <sup>(a)</sup> (Cost \$11,476,156)	11,476,156	<u>\$ 11,476,156</u>
Total Investments at Market Value — 100.8% (Cost \$499,988,440)		\$ 582,113,995
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets — (0.8%)		(4,307,973)
Net Assets — 100.0%		<u>\$ 577,806,022</u>

\* Non-income producing security.

<sup>(a)</sup> The rate shown is the 7-day effective yield as of December 31, 2018.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

Equity returns were positive for much of 2018 but turned sharply negative in the fourth quarter. The Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund (the "Fund") had a total return of -4.80% for the year, approximating the S&P 500's return of -4.38%. For much of the year, growth stocks dramatically outperformed value stocks, but in the fourth quarter, value stocks closed the gap considerably. Given the Fund's attention to value, this was alternately a headwind, and during the fourth quarter, a tailwind.

Relative investment performance for the year was boosted by our consumer discretionary, materials and energy stocks, but was hurt principally by our industrials, healthcare and information technology companies. Positive contributors to overall return included TJX Companies, Inc. (discount retailer), RPM International, Inc. (specialty chemicals) and Tractor Supply Company (specialty retailer). Negative impact on performance came from FedEx Corp. (delivery services), MSC Industrial Direct Co. (industrial products distributor) and Illinois Tool Works, Inc. (diversified manufacturer).

As you know, stock prices often move up and down more rapidly than the underlying company fundamentals. Individual issues can be in or out of fashion at any point in time. In some instances, that creates an opportunity to buy the stock of a company that we like which is fundamentally attractive on a longterm basis, but temporarily out of fashion.

In terms of operations, 2018 was a great year for the companies in our portfolio, with most of them reporting significantly higher sales and earnings during the year. This was, of course, enhanced by the Tax Cuts and Jobs act of 2017, which dramatically reduced the federal tax rate for most companies. As expected, this resulted in significantly higher dividend payments for practically all our companies.

It's no secret that technology is having a profound effect on the world, and businesses must adapt to a rapidly changing environment. For example, Cognizant Technologies Solutions Corp., one of our portfolio investments, is successfully transitioning its business from traditional IT outsourcing towards opportunities in data analytics, smart products and digital engineering. FedEx Corp, another of our companies, has invested substantially in automated robotics for package sorting. This technology allows the company to ship over nine million packages per day, with 96% of them traveling through an automated facility. The banking industry has also adapted. After extensive investment in its digital capabilities, PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. now reports that over 60% of its customers are primarily digital and do their banking online more

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

often than at a branch. A strong competitive advantage can give a company the room it needs to maneuver, make new investments, and improve its processes. Our portfolio of high-quality and competitively advantaged companies is well-positioned for the future.

We appreciate your interest and investment in the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund.

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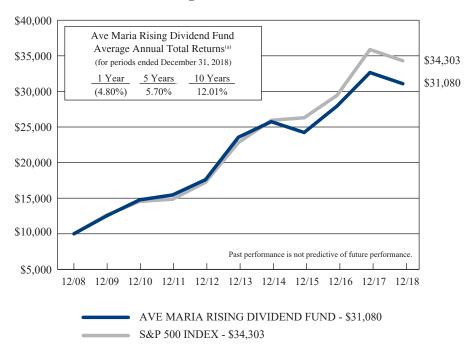
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#### AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

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



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

Expense ratio as of 12-31-17 (as disclosed in May 1, 2018 prospectus)	0.93%*
Expense ratio for the year ended 12-31-18	0.93%

\* Includes Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses.

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, is available at the Ave Maria Mutual Funds website at www.avemariafunds.com or by calling 1-888-726-9331.

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

	AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
2005 <sup>(a)</sup>	6.7%	8.8%
2006	17.9%	15.8%
2007	-0.6%	5.5%
2008	-22.8%	-37.0%
2009	25.3%	26.5%
2010	17.9%	15.1%
2011	4.6%	2.1%
2012	13.9%	16.0%
2013	33.9%	32.4%
2014	9.3%	13.7%
2015	-5.9%	1.4%
2016	15.3%	12.0%
2017	16.8%	21.8%
2018	-4.8%	-4.4%

# AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS As of December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND	S&P 500 INDEX
3 Years	8.7%	9.3%
5 Years	5.7%	8.5%
10 Years	12.0%	13.1%
Since Inception (b)	8.4%	8.0%

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

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 2, 2005) through December 31, 2018.

# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
385,000	Medtronic plc	\$ 35,019,600	4.5%
300,000	Lowe's Companies, Inc.	27,708,000	3.5%
210,000	Chubb Ltd.	27,127,800	3.5%
450,000	Royal Dutch Shell plc - Class B - ADR	26,973,000	3.4%
190,000	Diageo plc - ADR	26,942,000	3.4%
255,000	Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc	26,448,600	3.4%
650,000	Mondelēz International, Inc Class A	26,019,500	3.4%
275,000	Texas Instruments, Inc.	25,987,500	3.3%
400,000	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation -		
	Class A	25,392,000	3.3%
440,000	Hexcel Corporation	25,229,600	3.2%

# ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)

Sector	% of Net Assets
Consumer Discretionary	14.0%
Consumer Staples	8.8%
Energy	3.4%
Financials	18.6%
Health Care	7.9%
Industrials	26.0%
Information Technology	14.7%
Materials	3.0%
Money Market Funds, Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	3.6%
	100.0%

# **AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND** SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

# December 31, 2018

COMMON STOCKS — 96.4%	Shares	Market Value
Consumer Discretionary — 14.0%		
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail — 2.6%		
Booking Holdings, Inc. *	11,500	<u>\$ 19,807,830</u>
Specialty Retail — 9.1%	200.000	27 709 000
Lowe's Companies, Inc	300,000 320,000	27,708,000 14,316,800
Tractor Supply Company	200,000	16,688,000
Williams-Sonoma, Inc.	250,000	12,612,500
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Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods – 2.3%		
VF Corporation	250,000	17,835,000
	200,000	
Consumer Staples — 8.8%		
Beverages = 5.4%		
Brown-Forman Corporation - Class B	325,000	15,463,500
Diageo plc - ADR	190,000	26,942,000
		42,405,500
Food Products — 3.4%		
Mondelēz International, Inc Class A	650,000	26,019,500
Energy — 3.4%		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels — 3.4%		
	450.000	26 072 000
Royal Dutch Shell plc - Class B - ADR	450,000	26,973,000
Financials — 18.6%		
Banks — 8.7%		
BB&T Corporation	400,000	17,328,000
Fifth Third Bancorp	650,000	15,294,500
PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (The)	170,000	19,874,700
U.S. Bancorp	350,000	15,995,000
		68,492,200
Capital Markets — 4.8%		
Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (The)	350,000	16,474,500
Moody's Corporation	150,000	21,006,000
		37,480,500
Consumer Finance — 1.6%		
Discover Financial Services	210,000	12,385,800
Insurance — 3.5%		
Chubb Ltd	210,000	27,127,800
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# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

COMMON STOCKS — 96.4% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Health Care — 7.9%		
Health Care Equipment & Supplies — 7.9%		
Medtronic plc	385,000	\$ 35,019,600
Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc.	255,000	26,448,600
		61,468,200
Industrials — 26.0%		
Aerospace & Defense — 3.2%		
Hexcel Corporation	440,000	
Air Freight & Logistics — 4.9%		
FedEx Corporation	130,000	20,972,900
United Parcel Service, Inc Class B	175,000	17,067,750
		38,040,650
Commercial Services & Supplies — 2.8%		
Genuine Parts Company	230,000	22,084,600
Electrical Equipment — 2.4%		
Eaton Corporation plc	275,000	18,881,500
Industrial Conglomerates — 3.2%		
3M Company	130,000	24,770,200
Machinery — 5.6%		
Donaldson Company, Inc.	250,000	10,847,500
Graco, Inc.	290,000	12,136,500
Illinois Tool Works, Inc.	165,000	20,903,850
,,,,,		43,887,850
Road & Rail — 1.1%		
Norfolk Southern Corporation	55,000	8,224,700
Trading Companies & Distributors – 2.8%		
MSC Industrial Direct Company, Inc Class A	285,000	21,922,200
nice industrial Driver company, inc. Class IT	200,000	
Information Technology — 14.7%		
Communications Equipment — 2.5%		
Cisco Systems, Inc.	450,000	19,498,500
Electronic Equipment, Instruments &		
Components — 2.7%		
TE Connectivity Ltd.	275,000	20,798,250

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

COMMON STOCKS — 96.4% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Information Technology — 14.7% (Continued)		
IT Services — 5.0%		
Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation -		
Class A	400,000	\$ 25,392,000
Visa, Inc Class A	105,000	13,853,700
		39,245,700
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment — 4.5%		
Microchip Technology, Inc.	125,000	8,990,000
Texas Instruments, Inc.	275,000	25,987,500
		34,977,500
Materials — 3.0%		
Chemicals — 3.0%		
RPM International, Inc.	400,000	23,512,000
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$667,054,966)		<u>\$ 752,393,880</u>

MONEY MARKET FUNDS — 4.0%	Shares	Market Value
Federated Government Obligations Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.18% <sup>(a)</sup> (Cost \$31,382,683)	31,382,683	<u>\$ 31,382,683</u>
Total Investments at Market Value — 100.4% (Cost \$698,437,649)		\$ 783,776,563
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets — (0.4%)		(2,966,058)
Net Assets — 100.0%		<u>\$ 780,810,505</u>

ADR - American Depositary Receipt.

\* Non-income producing security.

(a) The rate shown is the 7-day effective yield as of December 31, 2018.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited)

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

The Ave Maria World Equity Fund (the "Fund") had a total return of -8.87% for the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. The global equity indices performed similarly, with the S&P Global 1200 Index down 8.17% and the MSCI World Index down 8.71%. The full year return was heavily influenced by the market downturn in the fourth quarter, which saw the Fund down 12.97%, the S&P Global 1200 Index down 12.91% and the MSCI World Index down 13.42%. Please note that all returns expressed are in U.S. dollars.

The U.S. equity market outperformed the other large global developed markets for the year (S&P 500 down 4.4% vs the S&P Europe 350 down 14.2% and the S&P Topix 150 (Japan) down 12.9%). However, there was no place to hide during the fourth quarter as all three of these major indices were down double digits. It is important to note that the three make up over 90% of the market capitalization of the developed market indices. Emerging markets were also weak for the year (S&P Emerging BMI down 13.5%). The global rout in equities in the fourth quarter was driven in part by concerns that the U.S. Federal Reserve ("Fed") was tightening monetary supply too quickly, along with continued negative trade rhetoric out of the U.S. and China. Both issues have the potential to slow global growth. We are comforted by recent more dovish commentary by Fed officials and the three-month cooling-off period to allow for further U.S. & China trade negotiations to take place.

The U.S. economy was the envy of the developed world in terms of GDP growth in 2018, growing at a 3% pace. The relative growth gap it held over other developed economies is expected to shrink in 2019 due largely to the lapping of fiscal policy stimulus and higher interest rates. U.S. corporate earnings are likewise expected to grow more slowly in 2019 than in 2018 but should again remain above that of Europe and Japan. A significant wildcard for Europe continues to be individual country political risk and the threat it represents for overall EU unity. The biggest near-term questions are will what happen with the U.K. and Brexit, the budget deficit situation in Italy and leadership challenges in France and Germany. The Japanese economy in 2019 is expected to grow slightly over its recent trend growth of 1%, due to some front-loaded spending ahead of its new consumption tax to be enacted in September. In the emerging markets, the recent drop in energy prices are generally a positive factor but the recent slowing in China is a concern. The slowing growth in both the U.S. and China will hopefully add incentives to both countries to reach a new trade agreement.

# AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

From a sector standpoint, the Fund's performance during 2018 was positively impacted by its consumer staples, health care and technology holdings. Coca-Cola European Partners was the best performing consumer staple in the Fund, driven by stronger than expected topline & EPS growth. Health care performance was driven by three holdings all up double-digits: IQVIA Holdings, Inc., Shire plc and Medtronic plc. While Shire was acquired at a premium, Medtronic and IQVIA saw better than expected top-line and bookings growth, respectively. In the technology sector, the position in credit card network provider Mastercard, Inc. was up over 20% for the year, while communications equipment maker Cisco Systems was up in the mid-teens.

The Fund's performance was negatively impacted by its consumer discretionary, financials and energy sector holdings. Panasonic was the weakest among consumer discretionary holdings. The company faced multiple headwinds during the year, including lower profitability from its electric car battery business, rising development costs in its automotive systems business and tougher competition in its Asian appliance business. First Horizon National Corporation, a regional bank holding company, saw operations negatively impacted by a flattening yield curve and a high level of competition in deposit pricing and lending. We believe First Horizon is well positioned to ride out the storm. The fourth quarter plunge in oil prices hurt all energy holdings, but Schlumberger Limited and Pioneer Natural Resources Company were most impacted due to a steeper than expected slowdown in U.S. fracking activity.

One new position, which complies with our moral screens, has been added to the Fund since June 30, 2018: Electronic Arts (interactive home entertainment). Five issues were eliminated; Axalta Coating Systems Ltd., Liberty Media Corp (Formula One), GDS Holdings Ltd., Schlumberger Limited, and Tencent Holdings LTD. All were sold in favor of what we believe to be more attractive investment opportunities.

#### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited) (Continued)

As of December 31, 2018, the Fund's geographic weightings versus the S&P Global 1200 Index were approximately:

	Ave Maria World Equity Fund	S&P Global 1200 Index
Americas	58.7%	63.6%
Europe Developed	13.9%	15.3%
United Kingdom	13.9%	6.2%
Japan	5.7%	7.7%
Asia Developed	0.0%	2.3%
Asia Emerging	3.5%	2.5%
Australasia	0.0%	2.4%
Cash Equivalents	4.3%	—

We are cautiously optimistic about 2019, as we balance our awareness of slowing global growth with our stock selection strategy of buying high quality, large capitalization, globally oriented companies, at attractive valuations. Thank you for your continued interest in the Ave Maria World Equity Fund.

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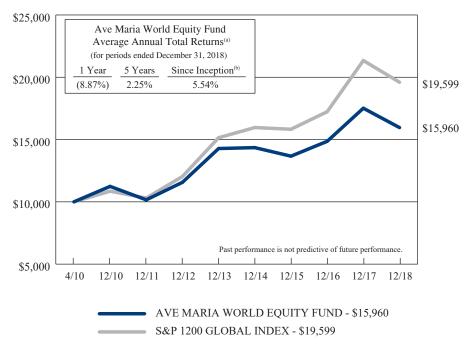
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#### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

#### Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the S&P 1200 Global Index



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

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (April 30, 2010) through December 31, 2018.

Expense Ratio information as of:	Period Ended 12-31-17 (as disclosed in May 1, 2018 prospectus)	Year Ended 12-31-18	
Gross	1.42%*	1.34%	
Net	1.26%*	1.25%	

\* Includes Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses.

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, is available at the Ave Maria Mutual Funds website at www.avemariafunds.com or by calling 1-888-726-9331.

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

	AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND	S&P 1200 GLOBAL INDEX	MSCI WORLD INDEX
2010 <sup>(a)</sup>	12.4%	8.5%	8.2%
2011	-9.6%	-5.1%	-5.5%
2012	13.8%	16.8%	15.8%
2013	23.5%	25.8%	26.7%
2014	0.5%	5.4%	4.9%
2015	-4.8%	-0.9%	-0.9%
2016	8.7%	8.9%	7.5%
2017	17.9%	23.8%	22.4%
2018	-8.9%	-8.2%	-8.7%

# AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS As of December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND	S&P 1200 GLOBAL INDEX	MSCI WORLD INDEX
3 Years	5.3%	7.4%	6.3%
5 Years	2.3%	5.3%	4.6%
Since Inception <sup>(b)</sup>	5.5%	8.1%	7.5%

<sup>(a)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (April 30, 2010) through December 31, 2010.

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (April 30, 2010) through December 31, 2018.

#### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND TEN LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares	Company	Market Value	% of Net Assets
43,000	Royal Dutch Shell plc - Class B - ADR	\$ 2,577,420	4.5%
17,500	Chubb Ltd.	2,260,650	4.0%
55,000	Mondelēz International, Inc Class A	2,201,650	3.9%
24,119	Medtronic plc	2,193,865	3.8%
30,000	Eaton Corporation plc	2,059,800	3.6%
38,000	DowDuPont, Inc.	2,032,240	3.6%
57,064	Koninklijke Philips N.V.	2,003,517	3.5%
53,500	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing		
	Company Ltd ADR	1,974,685	3.5%
92,000	AXA S.A ADR	1,967,880	3.4%
215,500	Panasonic Corporation - ADR	1,937,345	3.4%

#### ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)

Sector	% of Net Assets
Communication Services	1.5%
Consumer Discretionary	9.8%
Consumer Staples	9.3%
Energy	7.4%
Financials	20.9%
Health Care	13.9%
Industrials	11.2%
Information Technology	16.6%
Materials	3.6%
Real Estate	1.5%
Money Market Funds, Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	4.3%
	100.0%

# AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

# December 31, 2018

COMMON STOCKS — 95.7%	Shares	Market Value
Communication Services — 1.5%		
Entertainment — 1.5%		
Electronic Arts, Inc. *	11,000	<u>\$ 868,010</u>
Consumer Discretionary — 9.8%		
Auto Components — 2.4%		
Bridgestone Corporation - ADR	70,000	1,343,300
Household Durables — 3.4%		
Panasonic Corporation - ADR	215,500	1,937,345
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail — 1.2%		
Booking Holdings, Inc. *	400	688,968
Specialty Retail — 2.8%		
Lowe's Companies, Inc	17,500	1,616,300
Consumer Staples — 9.3%		
Beverages $-5.4\%$		
Coca-Cola European Partners plc	25,000	1,146,250
Diageo plc - ADR	10,000	1,418,000
Heineken N.V ADR	12,000	527,640
	,	3,091,890
Food Products — 3.9%		
Mondelēz International, Inc Class A	55,000	2,201,650
Energy — 7.4%		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 7.4%		
Exxon Mobil Corporation	15,000	1,022,850
Pioneer Natural Resources Company	4,700	618,144
Royal Dutch Shell plc - Class B - ADR	43,000	2,577,420
		4,218,414
Financials — 20.9%		
Banks — 5.0%		
Citigroup, Inc	23,500	1,223,410
First Horizon National Corporation	125,000	1,645,000
Capital Markets — 3.0%		2,868,410
Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (The)	12,000	564,840
Brookfield Asset Management, Inc Class A	30,000	1,150,500
brocknette Asset Management, Inc Class A	50,000	1,715,340

## AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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#### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

COMMON STOCKS — 95.7% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Information Technology — 16.6% (Continued)		
IT Services — 5.9%		
Accenture plc - Class A	8,000	\$ 1,128,080
InterXion Holding N.V. *	9,500	514,520
Mastercard, Inc Class A	9,000	1,697,850
		3,340,450
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment — 5.5%		
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company		
Ltd ADR	53,500	1,974,685
Texas Instruments, Inc	12,500	1,181,250
		3,155,935
Materials — 3.6%		
Chemicals — 3.6%		
DowDuPont, Inc	38,000	2,032,240
Real Estate — 1.5%		
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) — 1.5%		
Equinix, Inc	2,500	881,400
<b>Total Common Stocks</b> (Cost \$51,060,715)		<u>\$ 54,610,200</u>

MONEY MARKET FUNDS — 5.6%	Shares	Market Value
Federated Government Obligations Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.18% <sup>(a)</sup>	2,708,735	\$ 2,708,735
<ul> <li>Federated Treasury Obligations Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.31% <sup>(a)</sup></li> <li>Total Money Market Funds (Cost \$3,183,862)</li> </ul>	475,127	<u>475,127</u> <u>\$ 3,183,862</u>
Total Investments at Market Value — 101.3% (Cost \$54,244,577)		\$ 57,794,062
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets — (1.3%)		(750,164)
Net Assets — 100.0%		<u>\$ 57,043,898</u>

ADR - American Depositary Receipt.

\* Non-income producing security.

<sup>(a)</sup> The rate shown is the 7-day effective yield as of December 31, 2018.

## AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND SUMMARY OF COMMON STOCKS BY COUNTRY December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Country	Value	% of Net Assets
United States *	\$ 31,520,783	55.3%
United Kingdom	7,921,210	13.9%
Japan	3,280,645	5.7%
Netherlands	3,045,677	5.3%
Switzerland	2,260,650	4.0%
Taiwan	1,974,685	3.5%
France	1,967,880	3.4%
Canada	1,965,710	3.4%
Germany	672,960	1.2%
Total	\$ 54,610,200	95.7%

\* Includes companies deemed to be a "non-U.S. company" as defined in the Fund's prospectus, if a company has at least 50% of its revenues or operations outside of the United States.

#### AVE MARIA BOND FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY (Unaudited)

Dear Fellow Shareholders,

For the year ended December 31, 2018, the Ave Maria Bond Fund ("the Fund") had a total return of 0.41% vs. 0.88% for the Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Index.

Economic growth was strong in 2018 as GDP grew over 3% in the year and unemployment fell to 3.8%. With inflation running over 2%, the Federal Reserve (the Fed) has continued to raise short-term rates and may do more so in 2019. Additionally, the Fed is scaling back its balance sheet of U.S. Treasuries and mortgages, which tends to put upward pressure on long-term rates.

Corporate credit spreads widened during 2018, offering opportunities to selectively purchase bonds of exceptional companies at attractive prices. The Fund was able to capitalize on this opportunity, especially during the turbulent fourth-quarter. The ten-year U.S. Treasury started the year yielding 2.4%, and after spending much of the year above 3.0%, ended the year at 2.7%.

In reviewing the performance of the Fund, dividend paying common stocks were a slight drag on overall performance in 2018. Still, the three top-performing assets were the common stocks of RPM International, Inc. (specialty chemicals), Cisco Systems, Inc. (communications equipment), and Medtronic plc (medical devices). The Fund's weakest-performing assets were the common stocks of Fifth Third Bancorp (banks), PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (banks), and 3M Company (specialty chemicals).

The Fund continues to be managed in a conservative manner and, on a total return basis, has never had a down year since its inception in 2003. With interest rates low by historical standards, we continue to keep the average bond maturity short and credit quality high. On a long-term basis the equity component of the Fund is likely to continue to add to total returns.

We appreciate your investment in the Ave Maria Bond Fund.

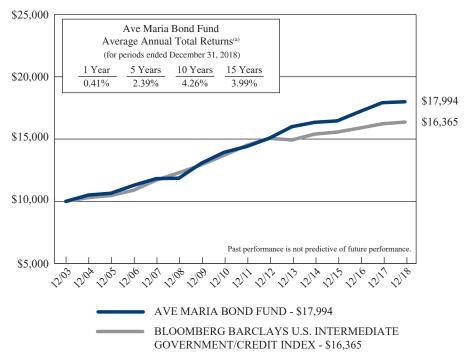
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#### Comparison of the Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Ave Maria Bond Fund and the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Government/Credit Index



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

Expense ratio as of 12-31-17 (as disclosed in May 1, 2018 prospectus)	0.50%*
Expense ratio for the year ended 12-31-18	0.50%

\* Includes Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses.

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, is available at the Ave Maria Mutual Funds website at www.avemariafunds.com or by calling 1-888-726-9331.

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

	AVE MARIA BOND FUND	BLOOMBERG BARCLAYS U.S. INTERMEDIATE GOVERNMENT/CREDIT INDEX
2003 <sup>(a)</sup>	2.4%	1.9%
2004	5.1%	3.0%
2005	1.4%	1.6%
2006	6.0%	4.1%
2007	4.8%	7.4%
2008	0.3%	5.1%
2009	10.2%	5.2%
2010	6.7%	5.9%
2011	3.3%	5.8%
2012	4.6%	3.9%
2013	6.1%	-0.9%
2014	2.2%	3.1%
2015	0.7%	1.1%
2016	4.5%	2.1%
2017	4.2%	2.1%
2018	0.4%	0.9%

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#### **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS** As of December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

	AVE MARIA BOND FUND	BLOOMBERG BARCLAYS U.S. INTERMEDIATE GOVERNMENT/CREDIT INDEX
3 Years	3.0%	1.7%
5 Years	2.4%	1.9%
10 Years	4.3%	2.9%
15 Years	4.0%	3.3%
Since Inception (b)	4.0%	3.3%

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

<sup>(b)</sup> Represents the period from the commencement of operations (May 1, 2003) through December 31, 2018.

#### AVE MARIA BOND FUND TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS\* December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

Par Value/	
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Shares	Holding	Market Value	% of Net Assets
\$ 10,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.500%, due 10/31/19	\$ 9,906,641	3.1%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 2.750%, due 09/30/20	5,018,750	1.6%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 2.250%, due 02/29/20	4,979,883	1.5%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 2.000%, due 07/31/20	4,958,789	1.5%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.875%, due 02/28/22	4,909,180	1.5%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.750%, due 04/30/22	4,884,180	1.5%
\$ 5,000,000	U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.750%, due 05/31/22	4,881,250	1.5%
\$ 4,500,000	Moody's Corporation, 5.500%, due 09/01/20	4,666,692	1.4%
\$ 4,292,000	Ecolab, Inc., 4.350%, due 12/08/21	4,409,573	1.4%
45,000	Texas Instruments, Inc	4,252,500	1.3%

\* Excludes cash equivalents.

# ASSET ALLOCATION (Unaudited)

	% of Net Assets
U.S. TREASURY OBLIGATIONS	42.3%
CORPORATE BONDS	
Sector	
Communication Services	1.3%
Consumer Discretionary	3.9%
Consumer Staples	10.3%
Energy	2.0%
Financials	2.6%
Health Care	1.1%
Industrials	7.4%
Information Technology	4.3%
Materials	3.1%
Utilities	0.7%
COMMON STOCKS	
Sector	
Consumer Discretionary	0.8%
Consumer Staples	2.1%
Energy	2.2%
Financials	3.0%
Health Care	1.1%
Industrials	5.3%
Information Technology	1.3%
Materials	1.8%
MONEY MARKET FUNDS, OTHER ASSETS	
IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES	3.4%
	100.0%

#### AVE MARIA BOND FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2018

U.S. TREASURY OBLIGATIONS - 42.3%	Par Value	Market Value
U.S. Treasury Bonds — 1.6%		
8.125%, due 05/15/21	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,255,625
8.000%, due 11/15/21	2,500,000	2,878,027
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U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protected Notes — $0.7\%^{(a)}$		
1.125%, due 01/15/21	2,311,940	2,301,399
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U.S. Treasury Notes — 40.0%		
1.500%, due 01/31/19	3,000,000	2,998,007
1.500%, due 02/28/19	3,000,000	2,995,707
1.250%, due 03/31/19	3,000,000	2,991,435
1.625%, due 04/30/19	3,000,000	2,991,563
1.500%, due 10/31/19	10,000,000	9,906,641
1.000%, due 11/15/19	3,000,000	2,957,812
1.500%, due 11/30/19	3,000,000	2,969,062
1.625%, due 12/31/19	4,000,000	3,960,156
1.250%, due 01/31/20	3,000,000	2,956,641
1.375%, due 02/15/20	2,000,000	1,972,422
1.375%, due 02/29/20	2,000,000	1,972,031
2.250%, due 02/29/20	5,000,000	4,979,883
1.625%, due 03/15/20	3,000,000	2,966,484
1.500%, due 04/15/20	3,000,000	2,960,039
3.500%, due 05/15/20	3,000,000	3,037,383
1.625%, due 06/30/20	3,000,000	2,959,453
2.000%, due 07/31/20	5,000,000	4,958,789
2.625%, due 08/15/20	3,000,000	3,004,219
2.000%, due 09/30/20	3,000,000	2,973,398
2.750%, due 09/30/20	5,000,000	5,018,750
1.375%, due 10/31/20	3,000,000	2,939,062
2.625%, due 11/15/20	3,000,000	3,005,508
2.375%, due 12/31/20	2,000,000	1,995,547
1.375%, due 01/31/21	4,000,000	3,908,281
2.000%, due 02/28/21	3,000,000	2,968,828
2.250%, due 03/31/21	4,000,000	3,979,375
1.375%, due 04/30/21	3,000,000	2,925,937
2.125%, due 08/15/21	4,000,000	3,963,594
2.125%, due 09/30/21	3,000,000	2,971,523
2.000%, due 10/31/21	4,000,000	3,948,594
1.500%, due 01/31/22	3,000,000	2,914,336
1.875%, due 02/28/22	5,000,000	4,909,180
1.750%, due 03/31/22	2,000,000	1,955,156
1.750%, due 04/30/22	5,000,000	4,884,180
1.750%, due 05/31/22	5,000,000	4,881,250
2.125%, due 06/30/22	3,000,000	2,964,375

U.S. TREASURY OBLIGATIONS — 42.3% (Continued)	Par Value	Market Value
U.S. Treasury Notes — 40.0% (Continued) 2.000%, due 07/31/22	\$ 3,000,000	<u>\$    2,950,547</u> <u>    129,595,148</u>
Total U.S. Treasury Obligations (Cost \$138,849,553)		<u>\$ 137,030,199</u>

CORPORATE BONDS — 36.7%	Par Value	Market Value
Communication Services — 1.3%		
Electronic Arts, Inc., 3.700%, due 03/01/21	\$ 4,000,000	<u>\$ 4,028,253</u>
Community Discussion 2007		
Consumer Discretionary — 3.9%	1 000 000	1 000 5 4 1
Lowe's Companies, Inc., 3.800%, due 11/15/21	1,000,000	1,009,541
Lowe's Companies, Inc., 3.120%, due 04/15/22	3,000,000	2,948,370
Ross Stores, Inc., 3.375%, due 09/15/24	3,000,000	2,947,351
TJX Companies, Inc. (The), 2.750%, due 06/15/21	2,305,000	2,286,945
VF Corporation, 3.500%, due 09/01/21	3,500,000	3,528,741
		12,720,948
Consumer Staples — 10.3%		
Coca-Cola Company (The), 3.150%, due 11/15/20	3,000,000	3,020,591
Coca-Cola Company (The), 3.300%, due 09/01/21	2,000,000	2,025,461
Colgate-Palmolive Company, 2.450%, due 11/15/21	3,000,000	2,939,911
Colgate-Palmolive Company, 1.950%, due 02/01/23	2,263,000	2,168,801
Colgate-Palmolive Company, 3.250%, due 03/15/24	795,000	799,005
Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Inc., 3.200%, due 11/15/21.	2,000,000	1,965,108
Hershey Company (The), 2.900%, due 05/15/20	1,000,000	999,470
Hershey Company (The), 2.625%, due 05/01/23	2,831,000	2,779,441
Hormel Foods Corporation, 4.125%, due 04/15/21	3,814,000	3,910,051
J.M. Smucker Company (The), 3.500%, due 10/15/21.	2,000,000	2,003,400
Kellogg Company, 4.150%, due 11/15/19	2,042,000	2,057,273
Kimberly-Clark Corporation, 2.400%, due 03/01/22	3,811,000	3,723,301
McCormick & Company, Inc., 3.900%, due 07/15/21	2,500,000	2,523,256
McCormick & Company, Inc., 3.500%, due 09/01/23	2,500,000	2,495,267
	_,200,000	33,410,336
Energy — 2.0%		
Exxon Mobil Corporation, 2.397%, due 03/06/22	2,000,000	1,962,761
Exxon Mobil Corporation, 3.176%, due 03/15/24	1,634,000	1,636,235
Occidental Petroleum Corporation, 3.125%, due	1,051,000	1,050,255
02/15/22	2,940,000	2,923,500
		6,522,496

CORPORATE BONDS — 36.7% (Continued)	Par Value	Market Value
Financials — 2.6%		
Moody's Corporation, 5.500%, due 09/01/20	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 4,666,692
Moody's Corporation, 2.625%, due 01/15/23	2,819,000	2,691,109
U.S. Bancorp, 2.200%, due 04/25/19	1,173,000	1,170,433
		8,528,234
Health Care — 1.1%		
Stryker Corporation, 4.375%, due 01/15/20	1,000,000	1,015,447
Zimmer Holdings, Inc., 4.625%, due 11/30/19	2,310,000	2,336,842
-		3,352,289
Industrials — 7.4%		
3M Company, 2.000%, due 06/26/22	1,073,000	1,037,208
3M Company, 2.250%, due 03/15/23	3,000,000	2,907,191
Emerson Electric Company, 4.250%, due 11/15/20	2,109,000	2,151,673
Illinois Tool Works, Inc., 1.950%, due 03/01/19	2,000,000	1,996,856
Illinois Tool Works, Inc., 6.250%, due 04/01/19	1,000,000	1,007,639
Illinois Tool Works, Inc., 3.500%, due 03/01/24	2,200,000	2,233,720
Norfolk Southern Corporation, 5.900%, due 06/15/19	441,000	445,704
PACCAR Financial Corporation, 1.650%,		
due 08/11/21	3,750,000	3,615,255
Snap-on, Inc., 6.125%, due 09/01/21	2,000,000	2,146,058
Union Pacific Corporation, 2.250%, due 02/15/19	2,000,000	1,996,476
United Parcel Service, Inc., 5.125%, due 04/01/19	1,500,000	1,508,028
United Parcel Service, Inc., 2.350%, due 05/16/22	2,990,000	2,917,215
		23,963,023
Information Technology — 4.3%		
Cisco Systems, Inc., 4.450%, due 01/15/20	606,000	615,407
Mastercard, Inc., 2.000%, due 04/01/19	2,000,000	1,994,287
Mastercard, Inc., 3.375%, due 04/01/24	2,300,000	2,314,355
Texas Instruments, Inc., 1.650%, due 08/03/19	2,000,000	1,983,853
Texas Instruments, Inc., 1.750%, due 05/01/20	1,825,000	1,796,420
Texas Instruments, Inc., 2.250%, due 05/01/23	2,500,000	2,402,444
Visa, Inc., 2.150%, due 09/15/22	3,000,000	2,903,794
		14,010,560
Materials — 3.1%		
Ecolab, Inc., 4.350%, due 12/08/21	4,292,000	4,409,573
Ecolab, Inc., 3.250%, due 01/14/23	3,000,000	2,988,381
Praxair, Inc., 2.250%, due 09/24/20	2,000,000	1,973,079
Praxair, Inc., 4.050%, due 03/15/21	500,000	511,399
		9,882,432

CORPORATE BONDS — 36.7% (Continued)	Par Value	Market Value
Utilities — 0.7% Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., 6.650%, due 04/01/19 Georgia Power Company, 4.250%, due 12/01/19	\$ 800,000 1,500,000	
Total Corporate Bonds (Cost \$120,056,874)		\$ 118,736,637

COMMON STOCKS — 17.6%	Shares	Market Value
Consumer Discretionary — 0.8%		
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods — 0.8%		
VF Corporation	35,000	<u>\$ 2,496,900</u>
Consumer Staples — 2.1%		
Beverages – 2.1%		
Coca-Cola European Partners plc	70,000	3,209,500
Diageo plc - ADR	25,000	3,545,000
		6,754,500
Energy — 2.2%		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 2.2%		
Exxon Mobil Corporation	50,000	3,409,500
Royal Dutch Shell plc - Class B - ADR	60,000	3,596,400
		7,005,900
Financials — 3.0%		
Banks — 2.0%		
PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (The)	33,000	3,858,030
U.S. Bancorp	60,000	2,742,000
		6,600,030
Diversified Financial Services — 0.4%		
Western Union Company (The)	80,000	1,364,800
Insurance $-0.6\%$		
Chubb Ltd.	15,000	1,937,700
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Health Care — 1.1%		
Health Care Equipment & Supplies — 1.1%		
Medtronic plc	40,000	3,638,400
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Industrials — 5.3%		
Air Freight & Logistics – 0.8%		
United Parcel Service, Inc Class B	25,000	2,438,250

COMMON STOCKS — 17.6% (Continued)	Shares	Market Value
Industrials — 5.3% (Continued)		
Commercial Services & Supplies — 1.0% Genuine Parts Company	35,000	<u>\$ 3,360,700</u>
Industrial Conglomerates — 1.2% 3M Company	20,000	3,810,800
Machinery — 1.2% Illinois Tool Works, Inc	30,000	3,800,700
Trading Companies & Distributors — 1.1% Fastenal Company	70,000	3,660,300
<b>Information Technology — 1.3%</b> Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment — 1.3% Texas Instruments, Inc.	45,000	4,252,500
Materials — 1.8% Chemicals — 1.8% Linde plc	15,000	2,340,600
RPM International, Inc.	60,000	<u>3,526,800</u> <u>5,867,400</u>
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$51,837,332)		<u>\$ 56,988,880</u>

MONEY MARKET FUNDS - 3.0%	Shares	Market Value
Federated Government Obligations Tax-Managed Fund - Institutional Shares, 2.18% <sup>(b)</sup> (Cost \$9,553,428)	9,553,428	<u>\$ 9,553,428</u>
Total Investments at Market Value — 99.6% (Cost \$320,297,187)		\$ 322,309,144
Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities - 0.4%		1,406,536
Net Assets — 100.0%		<u>\$ 323,715,680</u>

ADR - American Depositary Receipt.

<sup>(a)</sup> Interest rate for this investment is the stated rate. Interest payments are determined based on the inflation adjusted principal.

<sup>(b)</sup> The rate shown is the 7-day effective yield as of December 31, 2018.

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#### AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES December 31, 2018

	Ave Maria Value Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund
ASSETS			
Investment securities:			
At cost	\$190,334,627	<u>\$ 499,988,440</u>	\$698,437,649
At market value (Note 1)	\$215,244,623	\$ 582,113,995	\$783,776,563
Cash	42,400	78,412	_
Receivable for capital shares sold	65,731	910,313	547,653
Dividends receivable	146,366	294,417	1,361,916
Other assets	16,849	31,501	29,863
TOTAL ASSETS	215,515,969	583,428,638	785,715,995
LIABILITIES			
Payable for investment securities purchased	3,056,379	3,482,102	1,973,499
Payable for capital shares redeemed	375,362	861,490	1,174,057
Payable to Adviser (Note 2)	559,960	1,185,096	1,632,726
Payable to administrator (Note 2)	23,215	61,072	79,956
Other accrued expenses	19,974	32,856	45,252
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,034,890	5,622,616	4,905,490
NET ASSETS	<u>\$211,481,079</u>	<u>\$577,806,022</u>	<u>\$780,810,505</u>
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:			
Paid-in capital	\$186,571,083	\$ 495,738,659	\$695,512,137
Accumulated earnings	24,909,996	82,067,363	85,298,368
NET ASSETS	\$211,481,079	\$ 577,806,022	\$780,810,505
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (unlimited number of shares			
authorized, no par value)	12,301,465	20,496,023	49,321,272
Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (Note 1)	<u>\$ 17.19</u>	<u>\$ 28.19</u>	<u>\$ 15.83</u>

### AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES December 31, 2018 (Continued)

	Ave Maria World Equity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
ASSETS		
Investment securities:		
At cost	\$ 54,244,577	\$320,297,187
At market value (Note 1)	\$ 57,794,062	\$ 322,309,144
Cash	3,825	_
Receivable for capital shares sold	23,509	233,233
Dividends and interest receivable	96,731	1,775,704
Other assets	12,700	22,734
TOTAL ASSETS	57,930,827	324,340,815
LIABILITIES		
Payable for investment securities purchased	655,525	_
Payable for capital shares redeemed	68,763	315,446
Payable to Adviser (Note 2)	143,569	256,167
Payable to administrator (Note 2)	6,206	27,209
Other accrued expenses	12,866	26,313
TOTAL LIABILITIES	886,929	625,135
NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 57,043,898</u>	\$ 323,715,680
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:		
Paid-in capital	\$ 53,494,413	\$321,701,218
Accumulated earnings	3,549,485	2,014,462
NET ASSETS	\$ 57,043,898	\$323,715,680
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (unlimited number of shares authorized, no par value)	4,355,971	29,144,875
Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (Note 1)	<u>\$ 13.10</u>	<u>\$ 11.11</u>

### **AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Year Ended December 31, 2018**

	Ave Maria Value Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Dividends	\$ 2,638,665	\$ 6,599,064	\$ 20,246,437
Foreign withholding taxes on dividends	(10,500)	(13,837)	(4,350)
TOTAL INVESTMENT INCOME	2,628,165	6,585,227	20,242,087
EXPENSES			
Investment advisory fees (Note 2)	2,380,476	4,359,743	6,987,921
Administration, accounting and			
transfer agent fees (Note 2)	313,299	706,997	1,056,242
Trustees' fees and expenses (Note 2)	64,619	95,494	117,491
Postage and supplies	45,527	89,352	128,196
Legal and audit fees	36,898	56,472	72,698
Registration and filing fees	33,710	58,381	54,598
Custodian and bank service fees	16,716	35,603	57,152
Compliance service fees and expenses (Note 2)	10,608	27,429	38,854
Insurance expense	12,000	18,307	32,741
Advisory board fees and expenses (Note 2)	12,696	18,668	23,262
Printing of shareholder reports	7,129	10,582	12,570
Other expenses	23,499	30,641	50,862
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,957,177	5,507,669	8,632,587
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS)	(329,012)	1,077,558	11,609,500
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS			
Net realized gains from investment transactions	20,716,534	37,942,682	66,980,880
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	(40,061,357)	(57,912,533)	(111,930,102)
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS	(19,344,823)	(19,969,851)	(44,949,222)
NET DECREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ (19,673,835</u> )	<u>\$ (18,892,293</u> )	<u>\$ (33,339,722</u> )

## AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Year Ended December 31, 2018 (Continued)

	Ave Maria World Equity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
INVESTMENT INCOME		
Dividends	\$ 1,487,201	\$ 1,814,423
Foreign withholding taxes on dividends	(76,675)	(500)
Interest		5,104,634
TOTAL INVESTMENT INCOME	1,410,526	6,918,557
EXPENSES		
Investment advisory fees (Note 2)	601,921	953,124
Administration, accounting and transfer agent fees (Note 2)	79,237	317,813
Trustees' fees and expenses (Note 2)	48,586	69,690
Postage and supplies	18,803	51,426
Legal and audit fees	26,930	41,751
Registration and filing fees	31,977	48,167
Custodian and bank service fees	5,574	19,296
Compliance service fees and expenses (Note 2)	2,839	15,123
Insurance expense	4,525	13,435
Advisory board fees and expenses (Note 2)	9,459	13,747
Printing of shareholder reports	2,760	5,975
Other expenses	17,474	41,200
TOTAL EXPENSES	850,085	1,590,747
Less fee reductions by the Adviser (Note 2)	(58,061)	
NET EXPENSES	792,024	1,590,747
NET INVESTMENT INCOME	618,502	5,327,810
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS		
Net realized gains from investment transactions	2,053,537	4,791,342
Net change in unrealized appreciation		
(depreciation) on investments	(8,256,416)	(8,720,320)
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS	(6,202,879)	(3,928,978)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		
RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ (5,584,377</u> )	<u>\$ 1,398,832</u>

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment loss	\$ (329,012)	\$ (747,069)
Net realized gains from unaffiliated investment transactions	20,716,534	19,008,893
Net realized gains from affiliated investment transactions	_	19,671
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on unaffiliated investments	(40,061,357)	20,949,778
Net change in unrealized appreciation	(40,001,557)	20,949,778
(depreciation) on affiliated investments	_	(650,902)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(19,673,835)	38,580,371
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS (Note 1)	(20,668,673)	(18,255,479)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	21,921,785	17,924,288
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	19,678,112	17,330,791
Payments for shares redeemed	(39,667,885)	(30,281,644)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	1,932,012	4,973,435
TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(38,410,496)	25,298,327
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	249,891,575	224,593,248
End of year	\$211,481,079	\$249,891,575
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	1,021,784	882,065
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	1,153,437	826,456
Shares redeemed	(1,841,844)	(1,487,877)
Net increase in shares outstanding	333,377	220,644
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	11,968,088	11,747,444
Shares outstanding, end of year	12,301,465	11,968,088

(a) The presentation of From Distribution to Shareholders has been updated to reflect the changes prescribed in amendments to Regulation S-X, effective November 5, 2018 (Note 1). For the year ended December 31, 2017, distributions to shareholders consisted of \$18,255,479 from net realized gains on investments. As of December 31, 2017, undistributed net investment income was \$0.

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 1,077,558	\$ 403,610
Net realized gains from investment transactions	37,942,682	41,098,742
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		
on investments	(57,912,533)	58,423,052
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(18,892,293)	99,925,404
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS (Note 1)	(39,024,521)	_(41,503,974)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	215,576,499	87,271,657
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	37,004,032	39,499,274
Payments for shares redeemed	(99,372,827)	(53,762,692)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	153,207,704	73,008,239
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	95,290,890	131,429,669
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	482,515,132	351,085,463
End of year	\$577,806,022	\$482,515,132
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	6,578,219	2,910,998
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	1,325,381	1,277,460
Shares redeemed	(3,076,127)	(1,798,958)
Net increase in shares outstanding	4,827,473	2,389,500
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	15,668,550	13,279,050
Shares outstanding, end of year	20,496,023	15,668,550

(a) The presentation of From Distribution to Shareholders has been updated to reflect the changes prescribed in amendments to Regulation S-X, effective November 5, 2018 (Note 1). For the year ended December 31, 2017, distributions to shareholders consisted of \$404,152 from net investment income and \$41,099,822 from net realized gains on investments. As of December 31, 2017, undistributed net investment income was \$0.

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 11,609,500	\$ 10,188,142
Net realized gains from investment transactions	66,980,880	48,507,186
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		
on investments	(111,930,102)	82,923,856
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(33,339,722)	141,619,184
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS (Note 1)	(78,794,322)	(58,562,031)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	160,319,825	168,151,569
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	70,598,101	52,929,138
Payments for shares redeemed	(308,081,911)	(162,678,554)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from capital share transactions $\$	(77,163,985)	58,402,153
TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(189,298,029)	141,459,306
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	970,108,534	828,649,228
End of year	\$780,810,505	\$970,108,534
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	8,557,151	9,503,269
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	4,423,195	2,872,973
Shares redeemed	(16,282,058)	(9,119,249)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding	(3,301,712)	3,256,993
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	52,622,984	49,365,991
Shares outstanding, end of year	49,321,272	52,622,984

(a) The presentation of From Distribution to Shareholders has been updated to reflect the changes prescribed in amendments to Regulation S-X, effective November 5, 2018 (Note 1). For the year ended December 31, 2017, distributions to shareholders consisted of \$10,053,305 from net investment income and \$48,508,726 from net realized gains on investments. As of December 31, 2017, undistributed net investment income was \$157,032.

#### AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31,	Year Ended December 31,
	2018	2017 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 618,502	\$ 268,242
Net realized gains from security investment transactions	2,053,537	1,569,274
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		
on investments	(8,256,416)	6,897,006
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(5,584,377)	8,734,522
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS (Note 1)	(2,675,175)	(1,837,803)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	13,143,742	12,841,841
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	2,424,612	1,682,524
Payments for shares redeemed	(12,435,290)	(5,280,359)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	3,133,064	9,244,006
TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(5,126,488)	16,140,725
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	62,170,386	46,029,661
End of year	\$ 57,043,898	\$ 62,170,386
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	879,267	882,753
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	186,222	111,352
Shares redeemed	(833,472)	(361,748)
Net increase in shares outstanding	232,017	632,357
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	4,123,954	3,491,597
Shares outstanding, end of year	4,355,971	4,123,954

(a) The presentation of From Distribution to Shareholders has been updated to reflect the changes prescribed in amendments to Regulation S-X, effective November 5, 2018 (Note 1). For the year ended December 31, 2017, distributions to shareholders consisted of \$268,281 from net investment income and \$1,569,522 from net realized gains on investments. As of December 31, 2017, undistributed net investment income was \$0.

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>
FROM OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 5,327,810	\$ 4,095,064
Net realized gains from investment transactions	4,791,342	1,780,296
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		
on investments	(8,720,320)	5,434,807
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	1,398,832	11,310,167
FROM DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS (Note 1)	_(10,116,647)	(5,884,226)
FROM CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from shares sold	101,683,387	99,449,677
Reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	9,080,604	5,193,095
Payments for shares redeemed	(85,564,883)	(51,805,590)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	25,199,108	52,837,182
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	16,481,293	58,263,123
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	307,234,387	248,971,264
End of year	\$323,715,680	\$ 307,234,387
SUMMARY OF CAPITAL SHARE ACTIVITY		
Shares sold	8,953,434	8,759,908
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions to shareholders	809,829	456,482
Shares redeemed	(7,525,406)	(4,564,309)
Net increase in shares outstanding	2,237,857	4,652,081
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	26,907,018	22,254,937
Shares outstanding, end of year	29,144,875	26,907,018

(a) The presentation of From Distribution to Shareholders has been updated to reflect the changes prescribed in amendments to Regulation S-X, effective November 5, 2018 (Note 1). For the year ended December 31, 2017, distributions to shareholders consisted of \$4,102,344 from net investment income and \$1,781,882 from net realized gains on investments. As of December 31, 2017, undistributed net investment income was \$0.

### **AVE MARIA VALUE FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 20.88	<u>\$ 19.12</u>	<u>\$ 16.42</u>	<u>\$ 19.97</u>	<u>\$ 21.21</u>
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income (loss) Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments Total from investment operations	(0.03) (1.81) (1.84)	(0.06) $3.46$ $3.40$	(0.03)	0.01 (3.54) (3.53)	(0.01) <u>0.63</u> <u>0.62</u>
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(1.85) (1.85)	(1.64) (1.64)		(0.01) (0.01) (0.02)	(1.86) (1.86)
Net asset value at end of year	<u>\$ 17.19</u>	\$ 20.88	<u>\$ 19.12</u>	\$ 16.42	<u>\$ 19.97</u>
Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	(8.8%)	17.7%	16.4%	(17.7%)	2.9%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	<u>\$ 211,481</u>	<u>\$ 249,892</u>	<u>\$ 224,593</u>	<u>\$ 211,879</u>	<u>\$ 246,790</u>
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.18%	1.19%	1.20%	1.18%	1.29%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	(0.13%)	(0.32%)	(0.15%)	0.06%	(0.04%)
Portfolio turnover rate	43%	40%	47%	63%	31%

#### AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 30.80	<u>\$ 26.44</u>	\$ 25.02	<u>\$ 28.24</u>	\$ 30.19
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income (loss) Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	0.06	0.03	0.02	0.07	(0.03)
on investments Total from investment operations	(0.63)	7.22 7.25	3.01 3.03	(0.81) (0.74)	2.33 2.30
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.06) (1.98) (2.04)	(0.03) (2.86) (2.89)	$(0.02) \\ (1.59) \\ (1.61)$	(0.07) (2.41) (2.48)	(4.25) (4.25)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 28.19	\$ 30.80	\$ 26.44	\$ 25.02	<u>\$ 28.24</u>
Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	(1.8%)	27.4%	12.1%	(2.7%)	7.5%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	<u>\$ 577,806</u>	<u>\$ 482,515</u>	<u>\$ 351,085</u>	<u>\$ 300,119</u>	<u>\$ 303,840</u>
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	0.95%	1.08%	1.17%	1.17%	1.28%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	0.19%	0.10%	0.09%	0.24%	(0.10%)
Portfolio turnover rate	33%	26%	29%	32%	36%

#### AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net asset value at beginning of year	<u>\$ 18.44</u>	<u>\$ 16.79</u>	<u>\$ 15.58</u>	<u>\$ 17.72</u>	<u>\$ 17.56</u>
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments Total from investment operations	0.24 (1.13) (0.89)	0.20 $2.62$ $2.82$	0.27 $2.11$ $2.38$	$0.24 \\ (1.27) \\ (1.03)$	0.18 <u>1.46</u> <u>1.64</u>
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	(0.25) (1.47) (1.72)	(0.20) (0.97) (1.17)	(0.28) (0.89) (1.17)	$(0.23) \\ (0.88) \\ (1.11)$	$(0.18) \\ (1.30) \\ (1.48)$
Net asset value at end of year	<u>\$ 15.83</u>	<u>\$ 18.44</u>	<u>\$ 16.79</u>	<u>\$ 15.58</u>	<u>\$ 17.72</u>
Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	(4.8%)	16.8%	15.3%	(5.9%)	9.3%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	<u>\$ 780,811</u>	<u>\$ 970,109</u>	<u>\$ 828,649</u>	<u>\$ 750,890</u>	<u>\$ 848,096</u>
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	0.93%	0.92%	0.92%	0.92%	0.92%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.25%	1.12%	1.61%	1.38%	1.01%
Portfolio turnover rate	31%	26%	24%	35%	29%

#### **AVE MARIA WORLD EQUITY FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net asset value at beginning of year	<u>\$ 15.08</u>	<u>\$ 13.18</u>	<u>\$ 12.36</u>	\$ 13.22	<u>\$ 13.90</u>
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments Total from investment operations	0.15 (1.49) (1.34)	0.07 $2.29$ $2.36$	0.06 <u>1.01</u> <u>1.07</u>	0.07 $(0.70)$ $(0.63)$	0.04 0.04 0.08
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	$(0.15) \\ (0.49) \\ (0.64)$	$(0.07) \\ (0.39) \\ (0.46)$	$(0.06) \\ (0.19) \\ (0.25)$	(0.07) (0.16) (0.23)	(0.04) (0.72) (0.76)
Net asset value at end of year	<u>\$ 13.10</u>	\$ 15.08	<u>\$ 13.18</u>	<u>\$ 12.36</u>	<u>\$ 13.22</u>
Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	(8.9%)	17.9%	8.7%	(4.8%)	0.5%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	<u>\$ 57,044</u>	<u>\$ 62,170</u>	<u>\$ 46,030</u>	<u>\$ 41,199</u>	<u>\$ 42,667</u>
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	1.34%	1.41%	1.45%	1.50%	1.50%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets $^{\rm (b)}$	1.25%	1.25%	1.33%	1.50%	1.50%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets <sup>(b)</sup>	0.98%	0.50%	0.50%	0.51%	0.29%
Portfolio turnover rate	33%	29%	42%	35%	36%

(a) Total return is a measure of the change in value of an investment in the Fund over the period 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>(b)</sup> Ratio was determined after advisory fee reductions (Note 2).

## AVE MARIA BOND FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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

	Year Ended December 31, 2018	Year Ended December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2016	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net asset value at beginning of year	<u>\$ 11.42</u>	<u>\$ 11.19</u>	<u>\$ 11.02</u>	<u>\$ 11.15</u>	<u>\$ 11.38</u>
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	0.19	0.17	0.15	0.14	0.12
on investments Total from investment operations	(0.14)	0.30	0.35	(0.06)	0.12
Less distributions: From net investment income From net realized gains on investments Total distributions	$(0.19) \\ (0.17) \\ (0.36)$	$(0.17) \\ (0.07) \\ (0.24)$	$(0.15) \\ (0.18) \\ (0.33)$	(0.14) (0.07) (0.21)	(0.12) (0.35) (0.47)
Net asset value at end of year	<u>\$ 11.11</u>	\$ 11.42	<u>\$ 11.19</u>	<u>\$ 11.02</u>	<u>\$ 11.15</u>
Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	0.4%	4.2%	4.5%	0.7%	2.2%
Ratios/Supplementary Data: Net assets at end of year (000's)	\$ 323,716	\$ 307,234	<u>\$ 248,971</u>	<u>\$ 223,842</u>	<u>\$ 180,718</u>
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.51%	0.54%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	1.68%	1.47%	1.34%	1.30%	1.10%
Portfolio turnover rate	26%	19%	21%	25%	21%

### AVE MARIA MUTUAL FUNDS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2018

#### 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

The Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund (individually, a "Fund" and 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, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and established as an Ohio business trust under a Declaration of Trust dated August 31, 1992.

The investment objective of the Ave Maria Value 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 World Equity Fund is to seek longterm capital appreciation from equity investments in U.S. and non-U.S. 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 in corporate debt and equity securities that do not violate core values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. See the Funds' Prospectus for information regarding the investment strategies of each Fund.

Shares of each Fund are sold at net asset value ("NAV"). To calculate the NAV, a 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 NAV per share for each Fund.

In August 2018, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") adopted regulations that eliminated or amended disclosure requirements that were redundant or outdated in light of changes in SEC requirements, accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), International Financial Reporting Standards or changes in technology or the business environment. These regulations were effective November 5, 2018, and the Funds are complying with them effective with these financial statements.

The Funds follow accounting and reporting guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 946, "Financial Services – Investment Companies." The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Funds. These policies are in conformity with GAAP.

**New Accounting Pronouncements** – In March 2017, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2017-08 ("ASU 2017-08"), "Receivables – Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20): Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities." ASU 2017-08 shortens the amortization period for certain callable debt securities, held at a premium, to be amortized to the earliest call date. ASU 2017-08 does not require an accounting change for securities held at a discount, which continues to accrete to maturity. ASU 2017-08 is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. Management is currently evaluating the impact, if any, of applying ASU 2017-08.

In August 2018, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2018-13 ("ASU 2018-13"), "Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement," which amends the fair value measurement disclosure requirements of ASC Topic 820 ("ASC 820"), "Fair Value Measurement." ASU 2018-13 includes new, eliminated, and modified disclosure requirements for ASC 820. In addition, ASU 2018-13 clarifies that materiality is an appropriate consideration when evaluating disclosure requirements. ASU 2018-13 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods therein. Early adoption is permitted and the Funds have adopted ASU 2018-13 with these financial statements.

(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 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 or, if an Official Closing Price is not available, at the most recently quoted bid price. Securities traded in the over-thecounter 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. Fixed income securities are generally valued using prices provided by an independent pricing service. The independent pricing service uses information with respect to transactions in bonds, quotations from bond dealers, market transactions in comparable securities and various relationships between securities in determining these prices. Investments in shares of other openend investment companies are valued at their NAV as reported by such companies. When using quoted prices and when the market for the securities are considered active, the securities will be classified as Level 1 within the fair value hierarchy (see below). Securities 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, and will be classified as Level 2 or 3 within the fair value hierarchy, depending on the inputs used. Fair value pricing may be used, for example, in situations where (i)

a security is so thinly traded that there have been no transactions for that stock over an extended period of time; (ii) the exchange on which the security is principally traded closes early; or (iii) trading of the security is halted during the day and does not resume prior to a Fund's NAV calculation. A security's "fair value" price may differ from the price next available for that security using the Funds' normal pricing procedures.

GAAP establishes a single authoritative definition of fair value, sets out a framework for measuring fair value and requires additional disclosures about fair value measurements.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of each Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical securities
- Level 2 other significant observable inputs
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs)

U.S. Treasury Obligations and Corporate Bonds held by the Ave Maria Bond Fund are classified as Level 2 since the values for such securities are based on prices provided by an independent pricing service that utilizes various "other significant observable inputs" including bid and ask quotations, prices of similar securities and interest rates, among other factors.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Funds' investments, by security type, as of December 31, 2018:

Ave Maria Value Fund	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks	\$ 180,711,376	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 180,711,376
Money Market Funds	34,533,247			34,533,247
Total	\$ 215,244,623	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$                                    </u>	\$ 215,244,623

Ave Maria Growth Fund	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks	\$ 570,637,839	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 570,637,839
Money Market Funds	11,476,156			11,476,156
Total	\$ 582,113,995	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$                                    </u>	\$ 582,113,995
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks	\$ 752,393,880	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 752,393,880
Money Market Funds	31,382,683			31,382,683
Total	<u>\$ 783,776,563</u>	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ 783,776,563</u>
Ave Maria World Equity Fund	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks	\$ 54,610,200	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 54,610,200
Money Market Funds	3,183,862			3,183,862
Total	\$ 57,794,062	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$                                    </u>	\$ 57,794,062
Ave Maria Bond Fund	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$ —	\$ 137,030,199	\$ —	\$ 137,030,199
Corporate Bonds	_	118,736,637	_	118,736,637
Common Stocks	56,988,880	_	_	56,988,880
Money Market Funds	9,553,428			9,553,428
Total	\$ 66,542,308	\$ 255,766,836	\$ _	\$ 322,309,144

Refer to each Fund's Schedule of Investments for a listing of the securities by security type and sector or industry type. There were no Level 3 securities or derivative instruments held by the Funds as of December 31, 2018

(b) Income taxes – Each Fund has qualified and intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Qualification generally will relieve each Fund of liability for federal income taxes to the extent 100% of its net investment income and net realized capital gains are distributed in accordance with the Code.

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 98.2% of its net realized capital gains plus undistributed amounts from prior years.

The following information is computed on a tax basis for each item as of December 31, 2018:

	ve Maria alue Fund	I	Ave Maria Growth Fund	-	Ave Maria Rising vidend Fund	 ve Maria orld Equity Fund	ve Maria ond Fund
Undistributed net investment income	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 2,505
Net unrealized appreciation	 24,909,996	_	82,067,363	_	85,298,368	 3,549,485	 2,011,957
Total accumulated earnings	\$ 24,909,996	\$	82,067,363	\$	85,298,368	\$ 3,549,485	\$ 2,014,462

The following information is based upon the federal income tax cost of the Funds' investment securities as of December 31, 2018:

	Ave Maria Value Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria World Equity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
Gross unrealized appreciation	\$ 35,757,263	\$ 109,694,392	\$ 114,016,367	\$ 6,619,948	\$ 7,073,065
Gross unrealized depreciation	(10,847,267)	(27,627,029)	(28,717,999)	(3,070,463)	(5,061,108)
Net unrealized appreciation	<u>\$ 24,909,996</u>	\$ 82,067,363	\$ 85,298,368	\$ 3,549,485	<u>\$ 2,011,957</u>
Federal income tax cost	\$ 190,334,627	\$ 500,046,632	\$ 698,478,195	\$ 54,244,577	\$ 320,297,187

The difference between the federal income tax cost of portfolio investments and the financial statement cost of portfolio investments for the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund is due to certain timing differences in the recognition of capital gains and losses under income tax regulations and GAAP. These "book/tax" differences are temporary in nature and are due to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales. There is no difference between the federal income tax cost and the financial statement cost of portfolio investments for the Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund as of December 31, 2018.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the following reclassifications were made as a result of permanent differences between the financial statements and income tax reporting requirements:

		ncrease sumulated arnings	Decrease in Paid-in Capital		
Ave Maria Value Fund	\$	329,778	\$	(329,778)	
Ave Maria Growth Fund		4,281		(4,281)	
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund		6,412		(6,412)	
Ave Maria World Equity Fund		3,136		(3,136)	
Ave Maria Bond Fund		—		—	

The Funds recognize the tax benefits or expenses of uncertain tax positions only when the position is "more-likely-than-not" to be sustained assuming examination by tax authorities. Management has reviewed the tax positions taken on federal income tax returns for all open tax years (generally three years) and has concluded that no provision for unrecognized tax benefits or expenses is required in these financial statements.

(c) Investment transactions and investment income – Investment 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 and includes amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts using the effective yield method. Cost of investments includes amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Realized gains and losses on investments sold are determined on a specific identification basis. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends have been recorded in accordance with the Funds' understanding of the applicable country's rules and tax rates.

(d) Dividends and distributions – Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid annually in December for the Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria World Equity 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 to shareholders during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 was as follows:

Years Ended	Ordinary Income	Long-Term Capital Gains	Total Distributions		
Ave Maria Value Fund:					
December 31, 2018	\$ —	\$ 20,668,673	\$ 20,668,673		
December 31, 2017	\$ 248,730	\$ 18,006,749	\$ 18,255,479		
Ave Maria Growth Fund:					
December 31, 2018	\$ 1,081,565	\$ 37,942,956	\$ 39,024,521		
December 31, 2017	\$ 576,743	\$ 40,927,231	\$ 41,503,974		
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund:					
December 31, 2018	\$ 13,973,053	\$ 64,821,269	\$78,794,322		
December 31, 2017	\$ 12,626,725	\$45,935,306	\$ 58,562,031		
Ave Maria World Equity Fund:					
December 31, 2018	\$ 621,539	\$ 2,053,636	\$ 2,675,175		
December 31, 2017	\$ 268,281	\$ 1,569,522	\$ 1,837,803		
Ave Maria Bond Fund:					
December 31, 2018	\$ 5,325,147	\$ 4,791,500	\$ 10,116,647		
December 31, 2017	\$ 4,102,344	\$ 1,781,882	\$ 5,884,226		

(e) Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of 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.

(f) Common expenses – Common expenses of the Trust are allocated among the series of the Trust based on relative net assets of each series or the nature of the services performed and the relative applicability to each series.

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

The Chairman and President of the Trust is also the Chairman and Chief Executive 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. The Adviser receives from each of the Ave Maria Value Fund and the Ave Maria World Equity Fund a fee, which is accrued daily and paid quarterly, at the annual rate of 0.95% of its average daily net assets. The Adviser receives from each of the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund a fee, which is accrued daily and paid quarterly, at the annual rate of 0.75% of its average daily net assets. The Adviser receives from the Ave Maria Bond Fund a fee, which is accrued daily and paid quarterly, at the annual rate of 0.30% of its average daily net assets.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its advisory fees or reimburse a portion of operating expenses until at least May 1, 2019 so that the ordinary operating expenses of each of the Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the Ave Maria World Equity Fund do not exceed 1.25% per annum of average daily net assets; and so that the ordinary operating expenses of the Ave Maria Bond Fund do not exceed 0.60% per annum of average daily net assets. Accordingly, during the year ended December 31, 2018, the Adviser reduced its investment advisory fees by \$58,061 with respect to the Ave Maria World Equity Fund.

Any investment advisory fee reductions or expense reimbursements by the Adviser are subject to repayment by the Funds for a period of three years after such fees and expenses were incurred, 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. As of December 31, 2018, the Adviser may seek recoupment of investment advisory fee reductions from the Ave Maria World Equity Fund totaling \$195,064 no later than the dates as stated below:

Ave Maria World Equity	
December 31, 2019	\$ 52,827
December 31, 2020	84,176
December 31, 2021	 58,061
Total	\$ 195,064

The Chief Compliance Officer of the Trust (the "CCO") is an employee of the Adviser. The Trust pays the Adviser a fee for providing CCO services, of which each Fund pays its proportionate share along with the other series of the Trust. In addition, the Trust reimburses the Adviser for out-of-pocket expenses incurred, if any, for providing these services.

Pursuant to a Mutual Fund Services Agreement between the Trust and Ultimus, Ultimus supplies regulatory and compliance services, calculates the daily NAV per share of each Fund, 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, Ultimus receives fees from each Fund computed as a percentage of such Fund's average daily net assets, subject to a minimum monthly fee.

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

Trustees and officers affiliated with the Adviser or Ultimus are not compensated by the Trust for their services. Each Trustee who is not an affiliated person of the Adviser or Ultimus ("Independent Trustee") receives from the Trust an annual retainer of \$46,000 (except that such fee is \$56,000 for the Lead Independent Trustee/Chairman of the Governance Committee and \$50,000 for the Chairman of the Audit Committee), payable quarterly; a fee of \$6,000 for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Trustees; plus reimbursement of travel and other expenses incurred in attending meetings. Each Fund pays its proportionate share of the Independent Trustees' fees and expenses along with the other series of the Trust.

Each member of the Catholic Advisory Board ("CAB"), including Emeritus members, except Lawrence Kudlow, receives an annual retainer of \$4,000 (except that such fee is \$14,000 for the CAB chairman), payable quarterly; a fee of \$3,000 for attendance at each meeting of the CAB; plus reimbursement of travel and other expenses incurred in attending meetings. Each Fund pays its proportionate share of CAB members' fees and expenses.

### **3. Investment Transactions**

During the year ended December 31, 2018, 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 Value Fund	Ave Maria Growth Fund	Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	Ave Maria World Equity Fund	Ave Maria Bond Fund
Purchases of investment securities	\$ 96,057,005	\$ 337,822,877	\$ 271,820,932	\$ 22,014,345	\$ 78,018,860
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investment securities	<u>\$ 124,580,783</u>	<u>\$ 177,378,367</u>	\$ 377,387,505	<u>\$ 19,499,021</u>	\$ 32,461,951

### 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. Affiliated Investment

A company is considered an affiliate of a Fund under the 1940 Act if the Fund's holdings in that company represent 5% or more of the outstanding voting shares of that company. As of December 31, 2017, Unico American Corporation was an affiliate of the Ave Maria Value Fund, but as of December 31, 2018 is no longer an affiliate of the Fund. Further information on this holding for the year ended December 31, 2018 appears below:

#### AVE MARIA VALUE FUND

Affiliated Issuer Report

#### UNICO AMERICAN CORPORATION

From December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2018

Shares at beginning of year	280,000
Shares sold during the year	 (280,000)
Shares at end of year	 
Market value at beginning of year	\$ 2,380,000
Sales during the year	(1,988,566)
Net realized gains during the year	892,230
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	 (1,283,664)
Market value at end of year	\$ 
Dividend income earned during the year	\$ 

### 6. Sector Risk

If a Fund has significant investments in the securities of issuers in industries within a particular sector, any development affecting that sector will have a greater impact on the value of the net assets of the Fund than would be the case if the Fund did not have significant investments in that sector. In addition, this may increase the risk of loss of an investment in the Fund and increase the volatility of the Fund's NAV per share. From time to time, circumstances may affect a particular sector and the companies within such sector. For instance, economic or market factors, regulation or deregulation, and technological or other developments may negatively impact all companies in a particular sector and therefore the value of a Fund's portfolio will be adversely affected. As of December 31, 2018, the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund had 29.0% and 26.0%, respectively, of the value of their net assets invested in stocks within the industrials sector.

### 7. Subsequent Events

The Funds are required to recognize in the financial statements the effects of all subsequent events that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed as of the date of the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. For non-recognized subsequent events that must be disclosed to keep the financial statements from being misleading, the Funds are required to disclose the nature of the event as well as an estimate of its financial effect, or a statement that such an estimate cannot be made. Management has evaluated subsequent events through the issuance of these financial statements and has noted no such events.

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

To the Shareholders and the Board of Trustees of Schwartz Investment Trust

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements and Financial Highlights**

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities of Schwartz Investment Trust (the "Funds") comprising the Ave Maria Value Fund, Ave Maria Growth Fund, Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, Ave Maria World Equity Fund, and Ave Maria Bond Fund, including the schedules of investments, as of December 31, 2018, the related statements of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the related notes. In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each of the results of their operations for the year then ended, the changes in their net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the grant then ended, the changes in their net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the schwartz Investment Trust as of December 31, 2018, and the results of their operations for the year then ended, the changes in their net assets for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Funds' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Funds' financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Funds in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. 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, whether due to error or fraud. The Funds are not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting 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.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and financial highlights, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall

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

presentation of the financial statements and financial highlights. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2018, by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

relater & Jouche LLP

Chicago, Illinois February 15, 2019

We have served as the auditor of one or more Schwartz Investment Trust investment companies since 1993.

# 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:

Tr	ustee/Officer	Address	Year of Birth	Position Held with the Trust	Length of Time Served		
Int	Interested Trustees:						
*	George P. Schwartz, CFA	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1944	Chairman of the Board/President/ Trustee	Since 1992		
Inc	lependent Trustees:						
	Louis C. Bosco, Jr.	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1936	Trustee Emeritus	Since 2008		
	Donald J. Dawson, Jr.	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1947	Trustee	Since 1993		
	Joseph M. Grace	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1936	Trustee Emeritus	Since 2007		
	John J. McHale, Jr.	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1949	Trustee	Since 2014		
	Edward J. Miller	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1946	Trustee	Since 2017		
	William A. Morrow	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth, MI	1947	Trustee	Since 2018		
Ex	ecutive Officers:						
*	Richard L. Platte, Jr., CFA	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1951	Vice President and Secretary	Since 1993		
*	Robert C. Schwartz, CFP	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1976	Vice President	Since 2013		
*	Timothy S. Schwartz, CFA	5060 Annunciation Circle, Ave Maria, FL	1971	Treasurer	Since 2000		
*	Cathy M. Stoner, CPA, IACCP	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1970	Chief Compliance Officer	Since 2010		

\* George P. Schwartz, Richard L. Platte, Jr., Robert C. Schwartz, Timothy S. Schwartz and Cathy M. Stoner, 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 1940 Act. George P. Schwartz is the father of Robert C. Schwartz and Timothy S. Schwartz.

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

Each Trustee oversees six portfolios of the Trust: the Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund, the Ave Maria Bond Fund and the Schwartz Value Focused 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:

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

Louis C. Bosco, Jr. retired in April 2012. Prior to his retirement, he was a partner in Bosco Development Company (a real estate firm).

Donald J. Dawson, Jr. retired in March 2015. Prior to retirement, he was Chairman of Payroll 1, Inc. (a payroll processing company) from 1986 – 2015.

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

John J. McHale, Jr. is Special Assistant to Commissioner of Major League Baseball since 2015. He was Executive Vice President of Major League Baseball from 2000 – 2015.

Edward J. Miller is Vice Chairman and Director of Detroit Investment Fund since 2001 and Invest Detroit Foundation since 2010 (financiers for redevelopment of Detroit, Michigan).

William A. Morrow retired in 2017. Prior to his retirement, he was Senior Executive Vice President of Crain Communications, Inc. (business media) from 1985 – 2017.

Richard L. Platte, Jr., CFA is President and Chief Investment Officer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and is the lead portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund and the co-portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Growth Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund.

Robert C. Schwartz, CFP is Senior Vice President and Secretary of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and is the co-portfolio manager of the Ave Maria World Equity Fund.

Timothy S. Schwartz, CFA is Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc. and the lead portfolio manager of the Ave Maria Value Fund.

Cathy M. Stoner, CPA, IACCP is Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer, and Treasurer of Schwartz Investment Counsel, Inc.

Additional information regarding the Trustees and executive officers of the Trust may be found in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information and is available without charge upon request by calling (888) 726-9931.

### 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:

		Year of	Length of
Member	Address	Birth	Time Served
Robert P. George	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1955	Since 2016
Dr. Scott Hahn, PhD	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1957	Since 2018
Lou Holtz	801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI	1937	Since 2007
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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.

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

Melissa Moschella, PhD is Assistant Professor of Medical Ethics at Columbia University. From August 2013 until June 2017, she was Assistant Professor of Philosophy at The Catholic University of America. She has published articles about moral and political philosophy and ethics in a number of academic publications. She is also a lecturer and recipient of a number of academic honors and fellowships.

Gloria Purvis is creator and host of Eternal World Television Network (EWTN) series "Authentically Free at Last" and host of "Morning Glory" on EWTN Global Catholic Radio.

Fr. John Riccardo, STL is a priest of the Archdiocese of Detroit and is the pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth, Michigan. He is also the host of the radio show "Christ is the Answer," which can be heard on Catholic radio stations throughout the country.

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.

Additional information regarding the Funds' 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 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 incur 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 semiannual period (July 1, 2018) and held until the end of the period (December 31, 2018).

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

<u>Actual fund return</u> – 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 fourth 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 each Fund's ongoing 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 SEC requires all mutual funds to calculate expenses based on a 5% return. You can assess each Fund's ongoing 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)

	Beginning Account Value July 1, 2018	Ending Account Value December 31, 2018	Net Expense Ratio <sup>(a)</sup>	Expenses Paid During Period <sup>(b)</sup>
Ave Maria Value Fund				
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 881.30	1.17%	\$5.55
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return (before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,019.31	1.17%	\$5.96
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	ψ1,019.51	1.1770	φ3.90
Ave Maria Growth Fund				
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 925.20	0.94%	\$4.56
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return				
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.47	0.94%	\$4.79
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund				
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 936.10	0.93%	\$4.54
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return				
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.52	0.93%	\$4.74
Ave Maria World Equity Fund				
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$ 913.10	1.25%	\$6.03
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return				
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,018.90	1.25%	\$6.36
Ave Maria Bond Fund				
Based on Actual Fund Return	\$1,000.00	\$1,005.40	0.49%	\$2.48
Based on Hypothetical 5% Return				
(before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,022.74	0.49%	\$2.50

(a) Annualized, based on each Fund's most recent one-half year expenses.

<sup>(b)</sup> Expenses are equal to each Fund's annualized net expense ratio multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Ave Maria Value Fund, the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund designated \$20,668,673, \$37,942,956, \$64,821,269, \$2,053,537 and \$4,791,500, respectively, as long-term capital gain distributions subject to a maximum tax rate of 20%.

**Qualified Dividend Income** – The Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund designates 100%, 100%, 100% and 31.04%, respectively, of their ordinary income dividends, or up to the maximum amount of such dividends allowable pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, as qualified dividend income eligible for the reduced tax rate of 15%.

**Dividends Received Deduction** – Corporate shareholders are generally entitled to take the dividends received deduction on the portion of the Fund's dividend distributions that qualifies under tax law. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the percentage of ordinary income dividends qualified for the corporate dividends receivable deduction for the Ave Maria Growth Fund, the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund, the Ave Maria World Equity Fund and the Ave Maria Bond Fund was 100%, 100%, 73.06% and 21.74%, respectively.

### 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 SEC's 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 at http://www.sec.gov.

The Trust files a complete listing of portfolio holdings for each of the Funds with the SEC as of the end 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.

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