

# Press Release

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## **FERNELIUS FAMILY RECEIVES VOCATIONS AWARD**

CHEBOYGAN, MI: David and Alice Fernelius of Fernelius Auto Group recently received one of the inaugural Vocation Awards presented by the Diocese of Gaylord and Bishop Bernard Hebda. The award recognized their special efforts over the years to support vocations in the Diocese. Father Don Geyman, who has known the family since their days in Tawas, shared some recollections at the award ceremony. "Both Dave and Alice have been very active in the church and school," Fr. Don noted. "They have also been very generous supporters to our vocations efforts, providing transportation for St. Andrew Task Force events, seminary visits, and even for guests who had travelled here from across the globe for our new Bishop's ordination."

Accompanying this release is a photograph showing the Fernelius family accepting a framed Papal Blessing from Pope Benedict XVI presented by Bishop Bernard Hebda. (l to r) Justin Fernelius, Alice Fernelius, David Fernelius, Bishop Bernard Hebda.

Bishop Baraga Catholic School was established in 1856 by Bishop Frederic Baraga. It has been in its new building located at the corner of Western and Lincoln Avenues since September 2005. Learn more about the school at [www.bishopbaraga.com](http://www.bishopbaraga.com).