

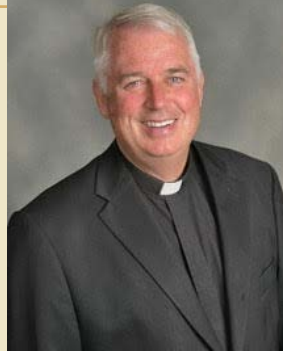
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FROM FR. CONNOR

What a great response to our capital campaign!

In just a handful of weeks since commitment weekend, our *Honoring Our Past, Securing Our Future* campaign has generated over \$1.1 million in commitments from 162 households including over \$215,000 in gifts already received.



Your commitments are the foundation of St. Mary's future.

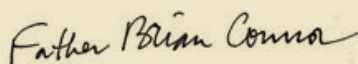
And now I have even more good news: *A few friends of St. Mary's have issued a \$200,000 Matching Gift Challenge*; where new or increased pledges made by January 31st will be matched, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$200,000.

With this challenge, our campaign effort has the potential to pass our \$1,600,000 goal, and perhaps to reach our \$2,000,000 stretch goal.

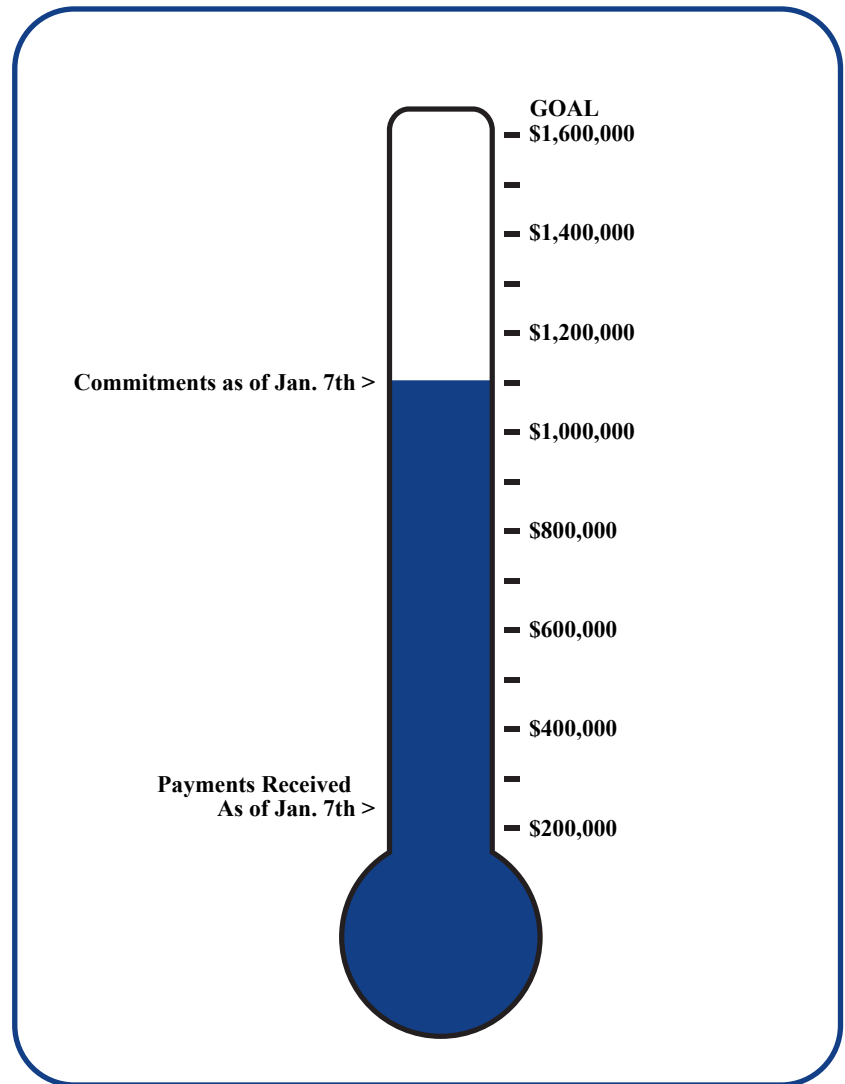
I would love to be able to report that every family in our parish returned a pledge card. With the busy-ness of the holidays, campaign materials may have been misplaced. If another campaign packet is needed, please contact the parish office.

Please keep the future of our parish family and this campaign in your prayers. I am encouraged by the words of Psalm 126: *Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.* We must remember that our Lord is the master architect of our lives, our redemption, and our parish. We trust His plans and His timing. What a joy it is to work with you in serving our Lord and in giving Him glory!

Sincerely in Christ,



Fr. Brian Connor, Pastor



\$200,000 MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE

In just a handful of weeks, our *Honoring Our Past – Securing Our Future* capital campaign has generated over \$1,100,000 in cash and pledges.

A unique challenge now encourages other families to return their pledge forms as soon as possible. In this challenge, a few friends of St. Mary's will match every new or increased pledge made by January 31st, dollar for dollar, up to \$200,000.

With the match, a new pledge of \$5,000 would add \$10,000 to the campaign. For those who have already made a commitment, any increase in your pledge would also be matched.

An additional pledge form is included in this newsletter (back page). If another campaign packet is needed, please contact Heather in the parish office.



Honoring Our Past
SECURING OUR FUTURE

IN APPRECIATION

Giving Thanks In Recognition

The campaign path toward the future has many phases – one of which is to give gratitude and thanks to those who sacrifice to make it possible. The idea of gratitude doesn't stop here. Generosity begins with gratitude. Are we grateful for all the blessings God has poured out upon us? According to Catholic author Matthew Kelley, "Highly engaged Catholics live in a state of gratitude. They have an overwhelming sense that their lives have been blessed."

Gratitude will be a hallmark of our Honoring Our Past campaign. Generosity is at the heart of the Catholic life - just as it is central to the Gospel. Through our generosity we bring forth the love of God for others in very real and tangible ways.

In gratitude, our campaign Thanks Team is sending out thank you gifts as pledges are received. Hopefully this gift will serve as a reminder of the ways this process has brought our parish family closer together.

Thank you to all those who have returned a campaign pledge form as of January 7th, including:

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| Anonymous | Bob & Sue Hilger | Jim & Kathy Pelan |
| Darrin & Karey Adamy | Russ & Shirley Hilger | Marv & Lori Pelan |
| Bill & Donna Andel | Rod & Cris Hoelscher | Craig Pelan |
| Gene & Teresa Andel | Dave & Jean Hovorka | Ken & Jody Pelan |
| Ian Anderson | Tony & Kate Hruska | Connie Perry |
| Mat & Renee Asche | Brian & Roni Jakub | Joe & JoAnn Pipal |
| Greg & Lori Aschoff | Harriet Jakub | Julie Plasek |
| Jim & Lanette Bathen | Jeff & Dawn Jakub | Cheryl Plasek |
| Joe & Cece Bechtel | Tom & Ellen Janak | Mark & Jenny Polacek |
| Donna Behrns | Doug & Kathy Jones | Darlene Rech |
| Randy & Barb Belsky | Dale & Michelle Juranek | Doug & Doris Redler |
| Betty Betzen | Sarah Juranek | Sharon Reisdorff |
| Max & Sue Birkel | Joan Juranek | Carolyn Rejda |
| Jeff & Dawn Bohuslavsky | Kay Kadavy | Mike & Deb Richter |
| Sharon Brecka | Sr. Mary Kaiser | Aldeen Riha |
| Nick & Britny Brichacek | Vicky Kerkman | Jerod & Meridith Riha |
| Virginia Brockevelt | Rose Klein | John & Mary Riha |
| Don & Florence Buresh | Margaret Kloke | Don Saalfeld |
| Steve & Barbara Byers | Ray & Cherie Kobza | Bob & Delores Samek |
| Clarice Capoun | Tricia Koranda | Tom & Jane Samek |
| Zack & Morgan Chadwick | Shawn & Kelly Koranda | Gerald & Paula Sayker |
| Fr. Brian Connor | Gerry Kovar | David & Connie Schmit |
| John & Maureen Coufal | Tim Kovar | Fr. Tony Schukei |
| Lucy Cuba | Brian & Mistyn Kozisek | Eric & Karie Semin |
| Marie Cunningham | Delores Krenk | Joe & Anita Sisco |
| Yvonne Cyza | Gary & Shirley Kroesing | Jim & Marcella Sklenar |
| Frank & Michelle Dailey | Don Kucera | Brandon & Katie Smith |
| Nadine Danaher | Michael Lachance | John & Connie Smith |
| Russ & Loretta Daro | Dee Lanspa | John & Marilyn Smith |
| Andrew & Melissa Daro | Ron & Monica Lyons | Dan & Sherrill Smith |
| Kathleen Deavers | Steve & Julie Maguire | Kevin & Betsy Stara |
| John & Barb Dehner | Marv & Monica Marushak | Robert & Gail Staroscik |
| Gery & Kathy DeWispelare | Jim & Jacque Masek | Jerry Steager |
| Elizabeth DeWispelare | Bernie & Marianne Matulka | Bill & Trish Steager |
| Cork & Sharon DeWispelare | Dave & Angie McMahan | Allan & Mary Steinberger |
| Deb & Gary Dinkelman | Dave McPhillips | John & Deb Svec |
| Albert Divis | Tom & Delores Medinger | Connie Svoboda |
| Leslie & Rachel Duke | Ryan & Jean Meister | Willis & Maxine Svoboda |
| Jim Egr | Ray & Lu Metzner | Josh & April Sypal |
| Mike & Mary Eller | Steve Meysenburg | Bill Thorn |
| Greg & Brenda Eller | Bruce & Kathy Meysenburg | Chuck & Susan Topil |
| Dan & Kathy Engel | Jason & Jessica Miller | Patty Vaca |
| Carmelita Fiala | Ron & Cathie Mimick | Jim & Phylis Vandenberg |
| Paul & Eileen Gahan | Nolan Moravec | Marjorie Vanis |
| Maggie Gahan | Bob & Nancy Moravec | Bob & Reyne Viergutz |
| Richard & Vicki Hain | Don & LaDonna Naiberk | Yvonne Wendt |
| Vivian Harris | Kyle & Kate Nienhueser | Catherine Wessling |
| Bryon & Kristin Hartman | Jim & Connie Novacek | Austin & Ashley Witmer |
| Dennis Havlovic | Barb O'Connell | Tim & Lori Wollmer |
| Ralph & Cheryl Hein | Andrew & Sarah Oborny | Sharon Woolsey |
| Nick & Marlene Hein | Tim & Cheryl Prothman | Dale & Carolyn Yates |
| Bryan & Jen Hein | Terry & Connie Pachunka | Jeff Yates |
| Bernie & Tami Helgoth | Arlene Palik | Alan & Rhonda Zavodny |
| Marv & Dianne Hilger | Bob & Janet Palik | Mike & Leona Zegers |



ST. MARY'S CAMPAIGN COMMITMENT CARD

PLEASE PRINT

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Preferred Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Thank you for your generous commitment.

Pledge Amount: \$ _____

Initial Payment Enclosed: \$ _____

Pledge Balance: \$ _____

I/we will pay this balance: monthly quarterly semi-annually annually

Over a period of: 1 year 2 years 3 years

Please contact us to set up automatic payments for our pledge.

All new or increased pledges, made by January 31st, will count toward the \$200,000 Challenge Match.