

# Living the Mission

St. Joseph - Spearfish

*“Living the Mission – A Legacy of Faith, A Legacy of Giving invites each of us to personally take up the mission of Jesus, leaving our own legacy of faith and a legacy of giving in response to our call to discipleship. Living the Mission is not a project to be completed but an ongoing way of discipleship. This legacy of faith and generosity, which has been the hallmark of the Diocese for generations, offers us the hope of continuing the mission of Jesus in the Diocese of Rapid City and the Rapid City Catholic School System for years to come by meeting current pressing needs.”*

- Bishop Gruss



## Parish Share:

Our parish goal is **\$840,000**. We are being asked to try our best to meet this goal in pledges from our parishioners over a five-year period. Once the goal is reached, **St. Joseph** will receive 20% of the funds raised, and 60% of the funds raised beyond our target for local needs.

Final determination of Parish Share funds will be decided by the St. Joseph's Parish Advisory Council, some potential uses include:

- Planning & Development of a new parish hall
- Strengthening the Faith Formation ministries of the parish through staff development and formation
- Increase parish outreach to the un-churched, fallenaways, and the poor
- Creation of a Foundation to sustain the ministries, staff, and programs of the Newman Center at BHSU

## Campaign Funding Priorities

### PRIESTS' PENSION PLAN

\$1,000,000

A fully funded pension plan would eliminate the necessity for assessed annual contributions from parishes. Increasing this funding for our priests' retirement will allow them to live their final years in peace and financial security.

### NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRY ENDOWMENT

\$1,000,000

The ministerial needs for living the mission in this area are great, but resources are limited. A diocesan endowment for Native ministry will provide the solid financial foundation necessary to share and live the mission among the Lakota people.

### NEW PASTORAL CENTER

\$5,500,000-\$7,000,000

The Pastoral Center (Chancery) is the office of the Bishop and his immediate staff. From here, the Bishop and his staff provide the vision and support for living the mission in our parishes and across our shared diocesan life.

### ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA AND MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

\$2,000,000

This campaign will allow us to upgrade the kitchen facilities and add an additional seating area at St. Thomas More to serve the students more effectively and efficiently. Forming young disciples requires attention to basic needs.

### RAPID CITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM ENDOWMENT

\$1,000,000

An increased endowment will help to make salaries more competitive allowing us to attract and retain quality educators and staff. An increased endowment will also provide additional tuition assistance to make Catholic education more affordable for all families who desire it.