

## 29 July 2021

Across our Diocese an important initiative has been taking place for the past couple of years – *Heart of a Shepherd.* 

This This special initiative seeks to raise funds to renovate, repair and refurbish the Seminary Facilities (a structure that is several decades old and includes necessary utility and structural repairs and updates) helping to improve the safety of those who lives and study there and, ultimately, encourage vocations, support the lives of our seminarians. Additionally, some of the funds raised will help to support the newly ordained in offering some relief to the weight of the financial burdens they face following ordination, and last of all, provide the proper care of the priests who have dedicated their lives to shepherding our faith.

In consultation with the Parish Finance Council it was agreed that the best way for Our Lady of Victory to support this important initiative was to make an outright commitment (amounting to approximately \$90,000 and payable over a three (3) year period, beginning July, 2021, and in lieu of a local campaign which many other parishes have chosen to do).

We are proud to be part of this effort, especially given that we celebrate having our own seminarian (in many years), Alex Krukemeyer, beginning his third year at Borromeo Seminary and John Carroll Seminary.

Should any wish to help support the parish commitment, place any contributions in an envelope marked "Heart of a Shepherd" (checks should be made payable to "Our Lady of Victory Church") and either drop these in the Collection Boxes in Church, by the Parish Center Offices or mail your contribution to the Parish Center Offices. You may also contribute via Faith Direct at: https://church.faithdirect.net/org/appeals/669/44130

If you would like to learn more about the Heart of a Shepherd campaign, you may do so by visiting www.catholiccommunity.org/campaign.

If you have questions about the *Heart of a Shepherd* campaign, please contact the Campaign Office at (216) 902-1300 or HeartofaShepherd@catholiccommunity.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,