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Dear Parishioners,

As I'm actually writing this letter well before Thanksgiving Day, it gives me occasion to give YOU thanks for all the good your generosity has done for our parish in 2025; despite challenging and stressful times, you've continued to put your faith in the future by how you've chosen to generously support St. Peter's Catholic Church in Slinger, Wisconsin; thank you! Here's some of the great things your generosity has done through our operating budget, special donations, Love One Another Campaign, and fundraisers:

IN CHURCH: As it was aging out, we replaced the furnace that services the lower level near the elevators for \$8,100 and installed two additional security cameras for \$5,690.

IN SCHOOL: We installed one additional security camera for \$2,415 and 19 new interior doors equipped with new hardware & required safety devices to assist in slowing down or stopping intended intruders for \$20,607.53.

IN CLARE HALL: We installed one additional security camera for \$2,962, new security fencing at the back of the garage and northeast corner of the school for \$8,510; we also replaced 4 sinks & faucets, 8 valves and drains in six restrooms and two showers for \$10,058; the equipment replaced was original and had served us well since 1958!

IN RECTORY: We replaced 5 drafty windows for \$11,817 and a section of the driveway for \$2,875.

ON GROUNDS: We resealed and restriped the West Church parking lot for \$1,975 and repaired cracks in the New Cemetery's driveway for \$250. We added a new outdoor digital display sign for the advantage of both our parish & Catholic Day School to communicate information more attractively for \$38,805.52.

While keeping up and improving our facilities, we've been able to sustain offering our parish employees competitively sustainable salaries and benefits in a great work environment; they are a happy and very skilled group and pleased to be at your service! We succeeded, 26 years ahead of time, and fully repaid the 0% 40-year \$1 million loan we took from our Endowment Fund for the 2016 church expansion from funds quarterly disbursed to us through your pledges made to the LOVE ONE ANOTHER CAMPAIGN; last year the balance owed was **\$176,169.93**; I'm so pleased and proud to say that, as of June 30, 2025, the balance owed was **ZERO**, paid back in time benefit from recent economic gains. Monies coming from the ongoing fulfillment of the pledges made to the LOVE ONE ANOTHER CAMPAIGN have helped with and will continue to benefit planned facility improvements; we're also setting up a parish scholarship funds for seminarians and those going into post-secondary education as part of our Endowment Fund.

Please, consider the church like family when making your charitable decisions and plans; help to ensure that it's always there for you for generations to come by planned gifts through a will, estate, memorials, and retirement funds that help those 73 and older complete the Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) from IRAs: checks sent directly to **St. Peter Congregation** from your account(s) reduce taxes overall. You can name St. Peter Catholic Church as beneficiary of a policy, annuity or account; if these aren't possible, increased regular church support (\$3-5 more monthly) or volunteer service would be helpful; thank you!

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