

THE FUTURE SITE OF

Christ Our Light Catholic Parish



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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

By Teresa Callison, Operations Coordinator

We are at the half-way mark of length in our *One In the Light* Capital Campaign. I think it's a great point to pause and reflect on where we were, where we are, and where we need to be.

When I joined the staff in August 2017, the campaign was getting ready to kickoff and I am proud that it's been one of my special projects during my time here. We started with a goal of \$5,000,000 and the realistic expectation that of the 1,306 families registered at the time, we would have about 38% participation in the campaign, approximately 495 households.

As of July 1, 2019, we have pledges totaling \$2,011,615 of which we have received \$1,121,540. This is a great start – with being half way through our campaign time, we are a bit ahead of the curve receiving 55% of what has been pledged. With the funds raised in the campaign thus far, we have:

- Purchased the 107-acre property for our future church home
- Started making essential repairs to the parish house to protect our investment
- Paid consulting fees to the architect and campaign consultant
- Started accumulating funds for the down payment to begin construction

Approximately 305 households have pledged, roughly 23% of our membership. But to realize our goal of becoming *One in the Light*, we have lots more work to do.

Our Capital Campaign Cabinet has been working behind the scenes during this time to create and keep momentum for this building project. The communications and gatherings have all been carefully crafted to ignite excitement and spread a spark through our faith community. We have completed great fundraising opportunities with the Christmas Gala and Garage Sale which raised \$22,141.83 and \$5,881.32, respectively. We raised nearly \$30,000 from these two events alone... that is amazing! The fund recently received another boost when the family of parishioner Jim Lefebvre chose to honor his memory by donating memorial gifts of over \$5,000.00 to the building fund.

So here's where we need your help: we need YOU. We need YOU to help spread the word and excitement about this building project. We need YOU to volunteer whenever and however you can at upcoming fundraisers or building events. We need YOU to join this flame of faith and make it grow.

Our next fundraiser is the *One in the Light* Fun Night – Bingo and Ice Cream Social (featuring ice cream from *Santa Lucia's*) on **Thursday July 11**, at 6:30 pm in the front courtyard of North. This event will be held, rain or shine! (In case of rain, we will move to St. Ed's Hall) We will have fun for all ages – from little ones to kids at heart. Join us for a quick game of bingo, a scoop of ice cream, or both! Bring friends and neighbors.

Without YOU this flame can flicker out. Join us and show your family and fellow parishioners that you are excited about the future of Christ Our Light!

Banner photo by Sandy Clemons.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

(Closed Noon-1:00 PM)

Friday: 8:30 AM-12:00 Noon

Mass Schedule

NORTH

1st, 3rd, 5th Weekends of the Month

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Tuesday 6:00 PM, Thursday 8:30 AM*

SOUTH

2nd, 4th Weekends of the Month

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Wednesday 8:30 AM*

Friday 8:30 AM*

*Morning Prayer at 8:15 AM

See schedule in bulletin for Holy Days.

Complete staff listing, contacts inside.

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