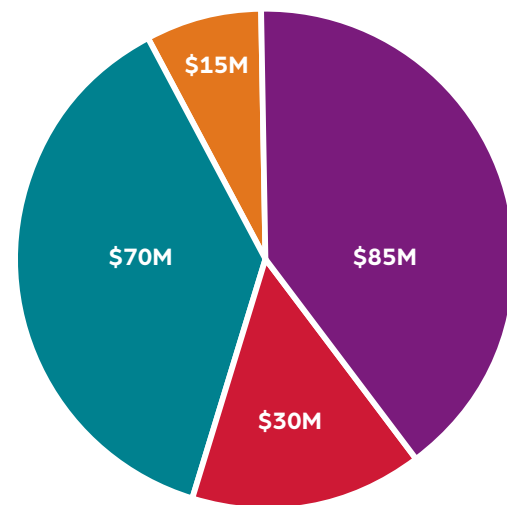




Camp Christopher, Bath

Since its founding in 1847, the Diocese of Cleveland has grown into a vibrant Church with 182 parishes, 108 schools, and one of the nation's largest Catholic Charities organizations. Today, we are called to once again help our Church flourish by strengthening our parishes, schools, ministries, and communities.



This prayerful effort seeks to raise \$200 million to support four strategic priorities:

\$85M – PARISHES:

- Sustain parish communities, the epicenter of our faith.
 - Strengthen Parish Communities: \$70M
 - Grow Emergency Parish Support: \$10M
 - Support Parish Evangelization: \$5M

\$30M – WORSHIP:

- Care for the sacred spaces and individuals within our ministry.
 - Form Current and Future Clergy: \$15M
 - Celebrate Cathedral Square: \$15M

\$70M – EVANGELIZATION:

- Strengthen Catholic education and inspire hearts to grow in faith.
 - Strengthen Catholic Schools: \$45M
 - Inspire Young Leaders: \$5M
 - Grow Our Faith: \$5M
 - Reimagine Camp Christopher: \$15M

\$15M – SERVICE:

- Continue the mission of Jesus by responding to those in need.
 - St. Augustine Hunger Center: \$2.5M
 - Bishop Cosgrove Center: \$8M
 - Catholic Charities Regional Facilities: \$4.5M

My Dearest Brothers and Sisters of the Diocese of Cleveland,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! For more than 150 years, the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland has remained steadfast in faith and committed to living Christ-centered lives.

Today, as our world faces division and uncertainty, we know the deepest longing of every heart is to be known and loved. Our Catholic faith teaches that God is love, and in Him we find meaning and hope. In living for Christ and serving others, we come to know His heart more intimately and we go forth as missionary disciples who **worship, evangelize, and serve.**

To strengthen the heart of our Church—our parishes, schools, ministries, and people—I am pleased to introduce *Called to Flourish: Our Church for the Future*. This campaign is about drawing hearts to Christ and helping everyone encounter Him in a transformative way. I invite you to join me in this effort with your prayers, witness, and sacrificial generosity so that the Church in Northeast Ohio may grow stronger and more vibrant for generations to come.

May God bless you and those you love.

+ Edward C. Malesic

+Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic, JCL

CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ,
 through your Paschal Mystery, you draw us into friendship
 with God and send us forth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
 to live as missionary disciples in the world.
 As stewards of your Church, we embrace the
Called to Flourish: Our Church for the Future campaign
 as a sacred opportunity for renewal,
 deeper communion, and shared mission.
 Strengthen us through the sacramental life of the Church.

Make us bold in spirit, generous in love,
 and united in purpose,
 that our Christian witness may invite others
 to deeper faith, hope, and love.
 Give success to all we do as laborers in your vineyard.
 May we seek the salvation of souls
 and come at last to our own Heavenly reward.
 We ask this in your Holy Name,
 for you live and reign with God the Father
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.
 Amen.



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Enriching Lives In Northeast Ohio



PARISHES



St. Christopher Parish, Rocky River

WORSHIP



St. Hilary Parish, Fairtown

EVANGELIZATION



Ss. Robert and William Catholic School, Euclid

SERVICE



St. Augustine Hunger Center, Cleveland

Strong parish communities are the heart of our diocese, and essential for the life of the Church. They nurture faith, support families, and become schools of service and evangelization.

Called to Flourish will:

STRENGTHEN PARISH COMMUNITIES

Each parish will keep 50% of the funds it raises, amounting to \$70 million that will stay local. Parishes will determine their own priorities, such as capital improvements, ministry expansion, or outreach initiatives.

GROW EMERGENCY PARISH SUPPORT

The Parish Emergency Fund provides grants to bolster financial support for parishes who are unable to finance critical repairs.

SUPPORT PARISH EVANGELIZATION

This endowment will provide grants across parishes to fund creative initiatives, retreats, and leadership development in evangelization.

The incredible generosity from previous campaign efforts fully funded our priest retirement plan, invested in our seminary and theological graduate school, and created a fund to ease education debt for newly ordained priests.

Called to Flourish will:

SUPPORT YEAR-ROUND FORMATION OF PASTORAL LEADERS

An endowment will expand formation opportunities such as workshops, seminars, and retreats to strengthen leadership and offer summer stipends for seminarians.

CARE FOR THE MIND, BODY, AND SOUL OF PRIESTS

The Clergy Health and Well-Being Fund will provide medical care, counseling, and sabbaticals, while continuing to fund priest stipends to honor a dignified life of service.

NURTURE LAY LEADERSHIP

The Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd Institute will expand programming, along with enhanced financial aid, to equip lay leaders to evangelize with joy and serve their faith communities.

CELEBRATE CATHEDRAL SQUARE

The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist is our mother church, marking the most significant moments of our faith. Renovations that will renew this sacred space include: restoring the Cathedral sanctuary, adding accessible bathrooms, and updating the historic Chancery with a Welcome Center and offices for Catholic Charities.

Inspiring deeper faith within our Catholic community is vital for a flourishing future. By expanding ministries and developing programs, we create opportunities where hearts can encounter Christ and discipleship thrives.

Called to Flourish will:

STRENGTHEN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

We will elevate our Catholic schools to unparalleled excellence through the five following initiatives:

- School Leadership & Talent Transformation
- Facilities Endowment
- Turnaround & Governance Resources
- Teacher Pay Endowment
- Tuition Assistance Programs (Fund a Dream)

INSPIRE YOUNG LEADERS

An endowment will be established to sustain programs at Borromeo Seminary and Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd Institute, creating meaningful opportunities and internships for high school and college students.

GROW OUR FAITH

The Office of Catechetical Formation & Parish Life will expand retreat offerings and programming for youth, young adult, and family ministry leaders. Additionally, there will be greater access to formation scholarships for Catholic school teachers and other lay leaders.

REIMAGINE CAMP CHRISTOPHER

Camp Christopher will be renewed to deepen faith and form disciples year-round. In addition to renovated cabins, a new multi-purpose retreat center will be built with an indoor chapel and dedicated youth and adult ministries retreat staff, making Camp Christopher an accessible retreat destination in Cleveland for all ages.

Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Cleveland has been a longstanding beacon of hope and compassion, offering more than 150 programs at 60 locations.

Called to Flourish will reaffirm our commitment to serve and continue the work of Christ.

ST. AUGUSTINE HUNGER CENTER

Operations will be relocated to the current OLA/St. Joseph Center, along with expanded serving lines, a renovated kitchen and food pantry, and updated office space which will allow for wraparound services to be offered.

BISHOP COSGROVE CENTER

The roof will be replaced, restrooms upgraded, classrooms refreshed to allow for mental and physical health services to be offered, and the kitchen will be renovated for the expansion of food delivery services.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN LAKE, WAYNE, AND ASHLAND COUNTIES

The existing offices will be consolidated into one central facility to increase efficiency and improve client services.

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