



Cathedral Centennial

Cathedral of Christ the King Campaign



A NOTE FROM
Father Andrew



**“Go therefore
and make disciples
of all nations...”**
~ Matthew 28:19



Dear Friends,

In five years, our Cathedral turns 100! I have been reflecting on how our parish has been a living witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ for our city and our Diocese, and I am humbled at the tremendous faith that I have witnessed over my own twenty-five years of priesthood serving our Cathedral family.

I think of the sacrifices so many have made for our Cathedral: during the Great Depression, World War II and the economic tough times in the 1980's when Superior experienced profound economic change. Our parish has worked hard to pull together, make do when necessary, and use every scrap of ingenuity to use our money and resources wisely. Through the ups and downs, we have supported one another and grown, showing that when we work together God gives us grace and strength beyond our wildest expectations.

I have seen the Lord's presence repeatedly over these last three crazy years in the wake of COVID-19. Our parish united when confronted with the challenges of social distancing and uncertainty, and we adapted to Livestream Masses, podcasts, social media, websites, online giving and using the parish app. Like those who faced challenges before us, we continue to meet the demands of a changing world as we remain faithful to Jesus Christ.

The **Cathedral Centennial** Campaign will address a variety of building projects that are crucial for the proper care of our Cathedral.

- Parking Lot and Concrete
- Elevator
- Roof
- Interior Lighting
- Air Conditioning
- Exterior Stone Work
- Sound and Video

Reaching our goals will not be easy. This campaign will ask all of us to consider making a sacrificial gift. I know that this will be a challenge that will require the depth of prayer and reflection that I have come to expect from our Cathedral family. As we prepare to celebrate the Cathedral's Centennial, we stand on the sacrifices that others have made for us; now it is our turn to provide for the next 100 years.

May we work together, search our hearts, and consider how the Lord is calling us all to participate. I am honored to be your priest!

Fr. Andrew

Fr. Andrew
Rector

History In The Making

Plans are underway to prepare for the celebration of the Cathedral's 100th Anniversary in 2027. While five years might seem far away, we are lining up the projects that will help us ensure that our vibrant parish continues to flourish for the next century. We have much to offer our city and the Diocese! In order for us to continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are dedicated to taking good care of our Cathedral. This fall we will conduct a capital campaign to raise the necessary money for work that will protect, upgrade, and improve safety for our space and access.

Projects

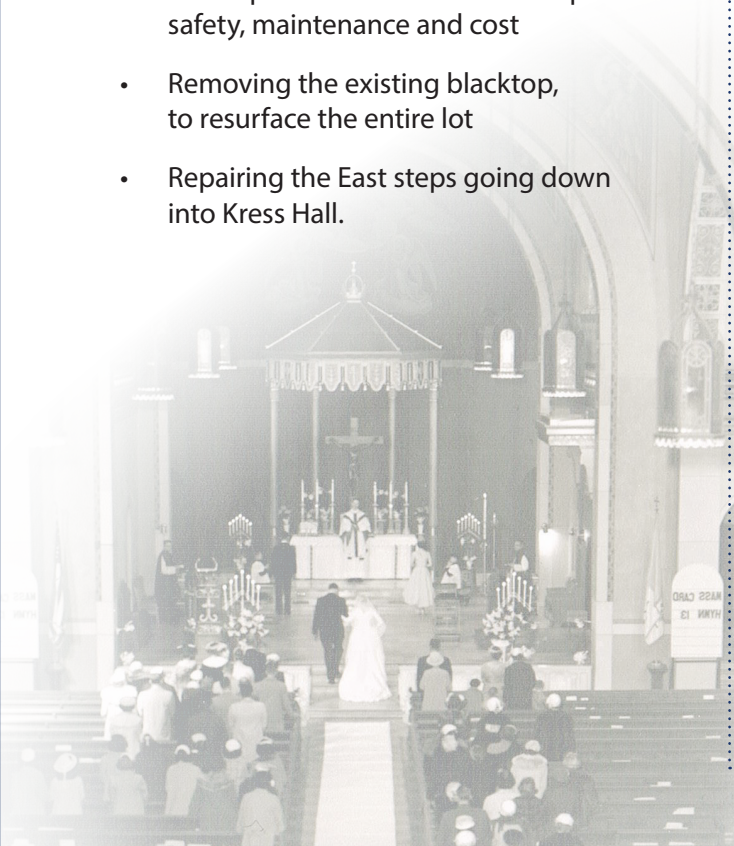
While we continue to take good care of our facilities, we know that ongoing maintenance and repair are crucial so that we do not run into crisis mode. The following projects have been reviewed by our Building and Grounds committee as essential for consideration. We can plan and schedule this work to get competitive, quality bids that fit our parish schedule. Simply put, we want to address them now before they become costly emergencies that hinder our ability to serve God's people.

Parking Lot and Concrete Work – this is our most pressing project. Some of the key elements include:

- Expanding the fire lane for diagonal handicap parking
- Rebuilding the exterior handicap elevator entrance for greater safety
- Replacing the original plaza in front of the Cathedral
- Reducing the width of the steps from Belknap Street to the Plaza for improved safety, maintenance and cost
- Removing the existing blacktop, to resurface the entire lot
- Repairing the East steps going down into Kress Hall.

Here are some of the other projects that we will complete as funds are raised and circumstances warrant.

1. Exterior Stone Work – over time parts of the stone break off as water gets behind the block, expands, and causes damage. In addition, some of our granite steps have shifted and need to be reset.
2. Interior Lighting – our lights are 20 years old, and do not permit us to use the existing LED technology. Furthermore, some of the existing lights are no longer produced and replacements parts are becoming difficult to locate.
3. Interior Sound and Video – technology continues to improve, and with the Cathedral's digital outreach through Livestream Masses, Rosary, and social media, we seek to offer the best sound quality for our parishioners, whether they are online or physically present.
4. Elevator – installed in 1987 and continuously well maintained, but the DMC Controller (operating system) and its parts are no longer produced and the replacement parts are limited. At most, we have 5-7 years of life expectancy before a replacement is necessary.
5. Air Conditioning – has reached its life expectancy and is running on only half its system. Furthermore, the coolant (R22) was phased out by the EPA in 2020 requiring us to upgrade. We would replace the existing cooling unit and coil with a water chiller and chilled water coil. The new equipment will be more efficient with updated refrigerant and easily controllable under any delivery scenario.
6. Roof – While the terra cotta tiles are in relatively good shape, the fasteners that hold them are almost 100 years old and are slowly loosening and wearing out. As these tiles fall, they potentially cause further damage to the roof below.





Phase I will address our top priority to redo the Parking Lot and Concrete Work. Inside the Cathedral, we will revamp the Lighting System. It will also include the 2022 Annual Catholic Services Appeal, our parish commitment to support the mission of the Diocese of Superior.

Phase II will address the need to repair, reseal and restore the Exterior Stone Work. In addition, we will upgrade the Sound and Video Technology, update the Elevator Operating System, and overhaul the Air Conditioning System.

Phase III will address the need to redo the Cathedral Roof. In time, metal panels similar to the bell tower roof will be installed, replacing the existing terracotta tiles. Additional study and diligent monitoring of the issue, as well as available funds, will determine how we proceed.

In order to meet these goals, our Parish Leadership has launched the Cathedral Centennial Capital Campaign. The overall estimated financial need to accomplish all three project phases is \$2.1 Million. **Phase I** is a combined \$1,174,445 for the Parking Lot, Concrete Work and the Interior Lighting. This figure includes \$77,445 for the 2022 Annual Catholic Services Appeal. **Phase II** is estimated at \$610,000 for the Exterior Stone Work, Sound and Video Technology, Elevator Controls and Air Conditioning system. **Phase III** is estimated at \$326,000 for the Roof. Each of the project phases will be accomplished as the monies are received through our campaign.



Cathedral Projects **Overview**

The following numbers illustrate our need:

Cost Breakdown for Phases I, II & III:

Phase I

A. Redo Parking Lot and Concrete Work (includes 10% contingency)	\$840,000
B. Support 2022 Catholic Services Appeal	\$77,445
C. Revamp Interior Lighting	\$150,000
Subtotal:	\$1,067,445
Campaign Consultants, Materials and Misc.	\$107,000
Subtotal:	\$1,174,445

Phase II

A. Repair, Reseal and Restore Exterior Stone Work	\$125,000
B. Upgrade Sound & Video Systems	\$75,000
C. Update Elevator Operating System	\$85,000
D. Overhaul Air Conditioning System	\$325,000
Subtotal:	\$610,000

Phase III

Replace Clay Roof Tiles with Metal Panels	\$326,000
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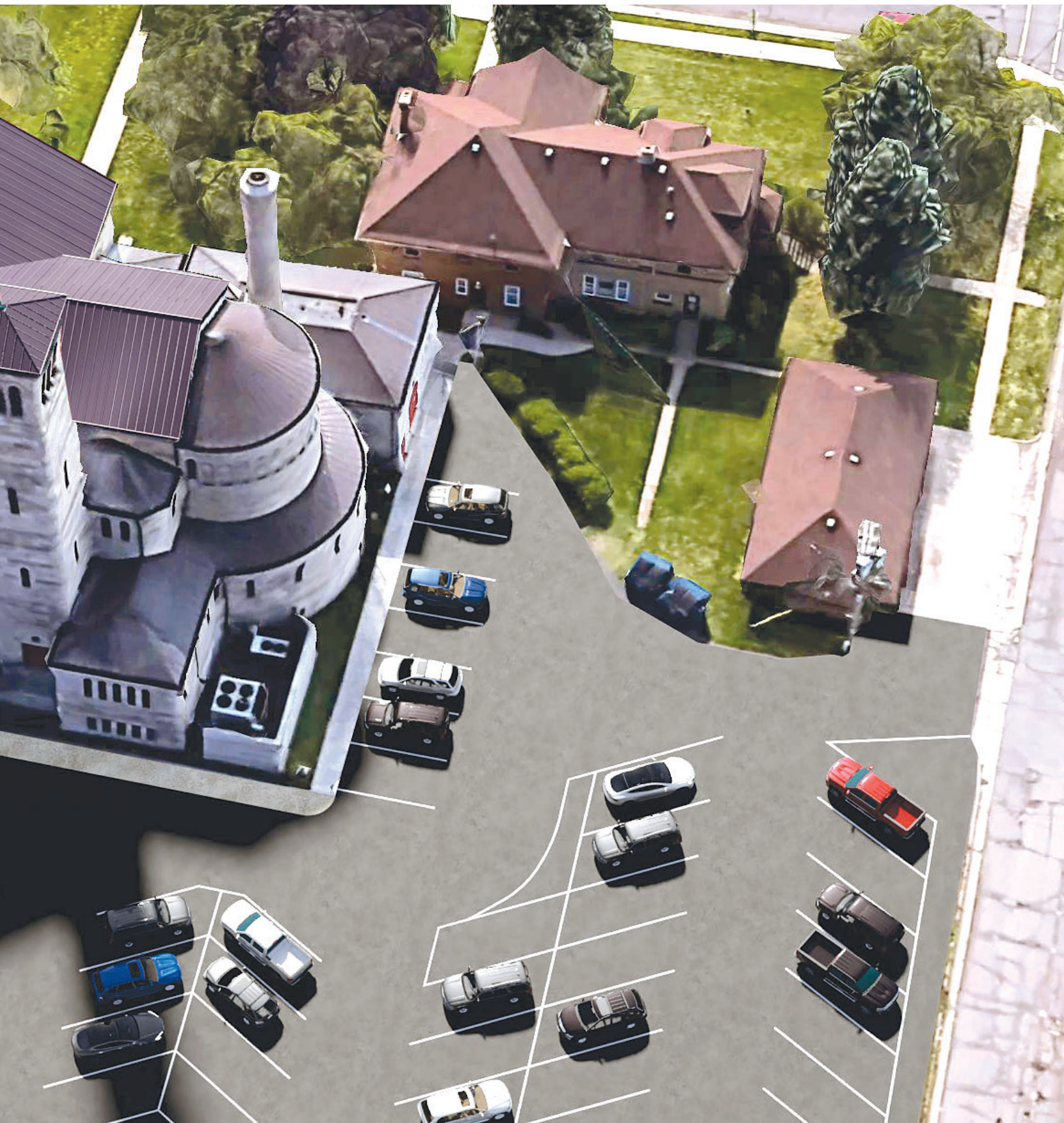
GRAND TOTAL:

\$2,110,445



Our Vision





How You Can Get Involved

Throughout the **Cathedral Centennial** Capital Campaign, Father Andrew, the Campaign Leadership and volunteer workers will reach out to all members of our community to communicate the goals of our parish and articulate how everyone can get involved. These efforts are aimed at giving all members of the Cathedral family an opportunity to participate.

Every family is asked to consider all the information contained in this brochure and then make a prayerful decision about how to support the campaign. Those who do not respond will be personally contacted by fellow parishioners who will volunteer their time over several weeks during the campaign. The volunteers will be giving their time to undertake the vital task of making contact and increasing the awareness of the campaign. During the campaign, we are asking everyone who calls Cathedral home to do the following:

1. **Pray for the success of the campaign.**
2. **Be an ambassador for Cathedral by sharing key information and enthusiastically encouraging others to get involved.**
3. **Make a sacrificial pledge.**

Whether you participate by attending a campaign reception, responding at Mass or via mail, or by graciously receiving a visit from a fellow parishioner, it is your active involvement that will make this campaign a success.



“What shall I
return to the
Lord for all he
has given me?”

~Psalm 116:12



How To Pledge Your Support

Cathedral of Christ the King Parish seeks to raise a minimum of \$2.1 million through this campaign. Every member of our parish community is integral to our success in reaching this goal and, therefore, each family is asked to consider making a pledge to the campaign to the best of their ability.

Each family is **asked to consider a pledge of \$4,000 or more**, payable over three years. A pledge of \$4,000, after a down payment of \$400, is \$100 per month for three years (or \$111.11 per month without a down payment). **This breaks down to only \$24 per week!**

We Need Your Special Generosity

Everyone is asked to prayerfully consider how their generosity can reflect their gratitude for the gifts that God has given them. We know that a pledge of \$4,000 will be a challenge for some of our parish households, therefore, it is vital to the success of our campaign that those who are able to make larger pledges do so.

Individuals who are financially capable of pledging \$10,000, \$15,000, \$25,000 or more, are asked to step forward and become leaders in our campaign. Please review the Suggested Gift Plans on the following page and choose a plan that is right for you and your family.

Keep In Mind The 3 Facets of Parish Giving

Offertory: Your weekly contributions to the general collection support the day-to-day operating expenses of the parish, including faith formation, Catholic education, liturgy, maintaining our facilities, and personnel.

Catholic Services Appeal: Each year parishioners are asked to support the Diocese of Superior through the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). The CSA funds over thirty vital programs, services, and ministries throughout our 16 county Diocese. The Appeal reaches across parish boundaries, tying us together with a common thread in areas of Education, Service, Worship, Prayer, Social Concern, Charity and so very much more. (Our commitment to the 2022 CSA is included in our fundraising efforts, but please keep in mind that we will be asked to participate in the CSA in the Fall of 2023).

Cathedral Centennial Capital Campaign: Your pledge payments to this campaign should be in addition to your regular offertory contributions and annual appeal contributions. Your campaign pledge is a restricted gift – to be used solely for the projects, programs and ministries cited in this brochure.

If you have any questions about the campaign or making your pledge, please contact the Campaign/Development Office at 715.392.8511

In Deuteronomy 16:10 we are reminded that “the measure of your own free will offering should be in proportion to the blessing the Lord has bestowed on you.”



Suggested Gift Plans

Total Gift	10% Down Payment	3 Annual Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	36 Monthly Payments	Weekly Sacrifice
\$250,000	\$25,000	\$75,000	\$18,750	\$6,250	\$1,500
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$30,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$600
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$3,750	\$1,250	\$300
\$40,000	\$4,000	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$1,000	\$240
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$1,875	\$625	\$150
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$1,500	\$500	\$120
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$1,125	\$375	\$90
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$750	\$250	\$60
\$8,000	\$800	\$2,400	\$600	\$200	\$48
\$6,000	\$600	\$1,800	\$450	\$150	\$36
\$4,000	\$400	\$1,200	\$300	\$100	\$24

The gift plans in this brochure are provided as a suggested guideline when considering your pledge. Please review the gift plans carefully and select one that fits your family's financial situation. Pledges are not legally binding, but rather the expression of your intent.

Pledging Information

- Please make checks payable to **Cathedral Capital Campaign**.
- Payments will be set up over a three-year period. If desired, a longer or shorter period may be arranged.
- Gift plans are based on a 10% down payment. However, a down payment is not necessary to begin your pledge.
- To make your pledge via credit, debit or automatic draft, please visit: www.superiorcatholics.org/giving/ or scan the QR code below.



Not everyone can make the same size gift, but everyone can make an equal sacrifice.



Methods of Pledging

Pledges via Cash or Check

Simply complete your pledge card by noting the amount of your pledge and down payment. Be sure to select your method of payment, i.e., monthly, quarterly, or annual payments. Please make checks payable to **Cathedral Capital Campaign**. You will be sent payment reminders and a special payment envelope in accordance with the payment plan you choose. You may return the pledge card in the weekly collection, bring it to the parish Development Office or return it by mail

Pledges Via Debit Or Credit Card

Please visit www.superiorcatholics.org/giving/ to make your pledge via debit or credit card. In addition, please return your completed pledge card to the parish Development Office.

Gifts of Stock

Donors can use their own broker/agent or the parish agent to transfer stock. If the stock has been held long-term (over one year), the donor does not have to pay capital gains tax on the stock, and is allowed a tax deduction for the full value of the stock. Donors may also choose to transfer stock in order to claim a loss, which may be beneficial for tax circumstances. In either case, the stock must first be transferred to the parish before being liquidated. Please contact the parish Development Office for more information*.

Gifts of Property, Life Insurance, Annuities, Wills or Bequests

There are different ways to support Cathedral both today, and in the years to come via planned giving. Families or individuals can make gifts of real estate, personal property, automobiles, life insurance, estate bequests, annuities or charitable remainder trusts. For substantial gifts of property other than marketable securities, the IRS requires an appraisal. Please contact the parish Development Office for more information*.

**Please confirm current tax law with your tax advisor or the IRS.*



IRA Contributions

An IRA owner, age 70½ or over, can directly transfer tax-free up to \$100,000 per year to an eligible charity. This option can be used for distributions from IRAs, regardless of whether the owners itemize their deductions. Distributions from employer-sponsored retirement plans, including SIMPLE IRAs and simplified employee pension (SEP) plans, are not eligible.

To qualify, the funds must be transferred directly by the IRA trustee to the eligible charity. Distributed amounts may be excluded from the IRA owner's income — resulting in lower taxable income for the IRA owner*.





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CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

You give us the gifts of
faith, hope, and love.

Lead our Cathedral Family to
be faithful witnesses
as we follow Jesus Christ, our King.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us,
and empower us to live these gifts
with peace and joy.

May our sacrifices today,
help us to care for
our Cathedral Family.
Through Study, Prayer, and Service,
may we reach out to those in need
and proclaim the Good News.

Through the intercession of
Blessed Solanus Casey,
unite our Cathedral Family
in a spirit of charity,
and direct our work for the
glory of your Son,
who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



PEOPLE WHO MAKE IT HAPPEN

Many people contribute to the life of our
parish and provide vision for our future.

Our deepest gratitude extends to the
members of the Campaign Committee,
who have given the gifts of their time and
talents to make this project a success.

Reverend Andrew P. Ricci
Kent Phillips, General Chair

John & Kathy Berchild
Jim Crawford
Deb Dalbec
Tom & Sandy Henning
Jill Hoag
James Johnson
Vickie Owens
Jessica Poskozim
Renée Wachter

And, of course, we could not have been able
to reach out to everyone in our parish if it
weren't for the help of our gracious and very
dedicated volunteers and parish staff.

THANK YOU!