



St. Anne Catholic Church

Campaign Newsletter

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Frequently Asked Questions, Part II

Bishop Michael Barber has invited all the parishes in the entire Diocese of Oakland to take part in the Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign to support our Catholic Schools, Catholic Charities, Religious Education Leadership Training, Priests' Retirement Benefit Trust, The Annual Bishop Appeal, Planned Debt Restructure, and Local Parish Needs. This is the first Diocesan wide capital campaign conducted in the history of the Diocese!

1. Are all the parishioners going to be invited to the Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together receptions?

Yes, all parishioners will receive/have received invitations to attend one of the receptions to hear more information about this capital campaign. The receptions will be on October 8 at 12:00 noon or at 7:30 p.m.

2. When and to where can we send our pledges?

After you have attended one of the receptions or have listened faithfully to our informational appeal at the Mass which you attend and have prayerfully reflected on your commitment to the Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign, complete the pledge card and drop off your pledge envelope at the St. Anne Church office or in the collection basket during any Mass. You may also send it directly to the Diocese of Oakland using the addressed envelope that we have provided.

3. Since the pledges are either one time, monthly, quarterly, bi-annually or annually within four years, will we be billed by the Diocese?

You may elect to have your pledge be automatically debited from your bank account or credit card account. The Diocese will also be sending out reminders and statements based on the billing cycle you request. (monthly, quarterly, annually...etc.)

4. What happens if we don't meet our goal?

Even if we do not meet our goal, we will still receive 25% of what was raised.

St. Anne's participation in the Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign has our parish goal set at \$759,785. St. Anne will receive 25% of every dollar raised up to our total campaign goal of \$759,785 and 50% of every dollar raised over our goal to address local parish needs.

Here at St. Anne we have the potential of receiving \$189,946 over the next four years if we meet our total campaign goal. We will use our proceeds to subsidize repairs and maintenance to parish facilities and parking lot and to replenish operating fund reserve

5. Does our pledge replace our weekly offering?

The Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign is a separate offering to respond to the needs of the Diocese and our local St. Anne parish. We ask that you continue with your generous weekly offerings.

6. Do we receive our share of this campaign's proceeds at the end of the four years?

No, we will receive 25% of the pledges received every quarter or four times a year. If we meet our goal before the 4 years is over, we will begin to receive 50% of what we raise beyond our goal.

7. What if my circumstances change within the 4 years and I won't be able to meet my commitment as I pledged?

The pledge card is not a legally binding document. It is simply a promise to pay. If your financial or life situation changes drastically within the course of the pledge payment period, then the Diocese will understand if the pledge is not completed.

8. How can we ensure that all our parishioners will participate in this Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign?

We ask that everyone of us become ambassadors of this mission--to spread the word of the need for all of us in our parish to participate in meeting the challenges of our Diocese and the needs of our own parish through this Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together capital campaign.