

Dear Friend in Christ,

This is such an exciting time for all of us at St. Wenceslaus! It's so inspiring to watch the progress being made on our new church and parish offices week after week. Not a day goes by when I don't think about what it will be like to celebrate Mass in our new worship space, not to mention all of the baptisms, weddings and other joy-filled events to come.

St. Wenceslaus has a mission of bringing Christ to people and people to Christ, and I am so grateful that we will not only be able to continue to fulfill that mission, but positively impact the lives of countless parishioners through our ministries and outreach services.

But none of this can happen without you. That's why we're launching the **ELEVATE** campaign, which will strengthen our parish and community. Together, with God's help, let us boldly answer His call to do great things, serve faithfully, and continue our rich legacy for future generations.

With more than 3,200 households in our church family, 900 students in our school, and 400 children and adults in our religious education programs today, we have our work cut out for us. But together, God will do all sorts of incredible things through us to build up our faith community.



This campaign is first and foremost a spiritual journey (time spent in prayer); it involves hundreds of people (talent in service); and culminates with a financial gift (treasure).

As we begin **ELEVATE**, I encourage you to:

- Get informed about our parish and our goals.
- Spread the word about our efforts to your friends and neighbors.
- Pray for our parish leadership, for responsive hearts, and for a successful campaign.
- Say "yes" when you are invited to serve and give.

I thank you for sharing your time, talent, and treasure with St. Wenceslaus and the **ELEVATE** team leaders who are listed on the back of this letter. They are just a few of the 500+ parishioners who have committed to making this campaign a reality.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks about our parish vision and campaign goals, and please reach out to me if you have any questions in the meantime.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom Bauwens Pastor

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# We have identified four areas for which these campaign funds are needed:

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Complete the construction of our new church	Pay off the loans for the church, land, school improvements, and parking	Put our parish in a position of financial strength

## WE THANK THE FOLLOWING ELEVATE CAMPAIGN TEAM LEADERS FOR THEIR HELP

#### **PASTOR** Fr. Tom Bauwens

#### **ASSOCIATE PASTORS**

Fr. Tim Podraza Fr. Taylor Leffler

#### **CAMPAIGN CHAIRS**

Rita & Steve Bartlett Gary & Kathy Gates Jeff & Lauren Green Liz Jonas Eric & Staci Mueller

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#### RECRUITMENT

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**Prepare for** 

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## Jesus calls His disciples to love and serve.

This God-sized vision is too much for us as individuals, but it's not too much for the Holy Spirit as He lives and works in us. Together, and with God's help, let us boldly answer His call that we may do great things, serve faithfully, and continue our rich legacy for future generations.