



CASE FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

# OUR HOPE, OUR

## HOME, OUR LADY

ear Brothers and Sisters,
For the past several years, our
Church has been making minor repairs for
problems to the Parish hall, the Church, the Mercy
Center, and the Rectory. It has now come to a point
that we need to do some major work to keep our
facilities standing and in A-1 condition which is why
we are now embarking on a capital campaign.

We have chosen **Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady** for our capital campaign theme because it perfectly encapsulates our Catholic identity and provides inspiration to further our parish's mission of living a faith-filled life, glorifying the Lord, educating our youth, and celebrating our close knit community.

I appeal to your good hearts that you will support this major undertaking for the good of our Parish and for the good of our future generations who would benefit much from our endeavor.

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and thank you in advance for supporting our Parish Capital Campaign: Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady.

One in the Service of the Lord, I remain,

Fr. Oscar Paraiso, Pastor

Overall Campaign Goal: \$300,000



■ Church ■ Van den Boogaard Center ■ Annual Appeal



# REBUILD

New Roof and Improvements to the Church \$140,000

arishes are the homes of Catholic Christian communities and Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament is our spiritual home. Serving the West Point area for more than one hundred years, our parish is a shining example of what a faith-filled community looks like through our dedication and devotion to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. At the heart of our mission is our church.

The most urgent priority and the centerpiece of the *Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady* capital campaign is to address all repairs to the church. The money raised will address the following:

- Replace the roof
- Preventative maintenance on the masonry exterior
- Fix the cracks in the sidewalk, ramp, and steps

Our hope from this campaign is to remain a vibrant and warm Catholic Community continuing to evangelize the next generation.



# RESTORE

New Roof and Foundation Repairs to Van den Boogaard Center \$150.000

he Van den Boogaard Center, built in the late 1920's, serves our parish community and West Point residents in a number of significant ways. Our students attend religious education classes and sacramental prep events here. In addition, the Center provides fellowship opportunities like pancake breakfasts, Bible study meetings, Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fries, and other events which keep our community together.

Although many improvements and expansions have occurred to the Center over the years, this is still an older building that needs urgent repairs. By addressing these issues, we will be able to maintain a beautiful hall to gather together in, as well as the added bonus of providing revenue for our parish.

The main issue we will address through the *Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady* campaign is to stop the water from entering the building by doing the following:

- Replace three of the four membrane roof sections that are leaking
- Create a "conditioned" crawl space to address drainage, sealing and foundation repairs
- Treat the joists, subfloor, and carrier beams with an anti-mold solution

Your support for our Capital campaign will help us expand opportunities for parish-wide ministries, continue engagement for our youth to deepen their commitment to the Catholic Church, and fellowship inside and outside our parish community.



he 2021 Appeal is an important opportunity for us to engage the next generation, provide for those in need and build Catholic communities. In addition, a portion of the funds raised towards the Appeal are returned to our parish which will be used towards the projects detailed in our campaign plan. This year, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament participates in the Annual Diocesan Appeal through the *Our Hope*, *Our Home*, *Our Lady* campaign.

HOW WILL LIVING OUR MISSION FUNDS PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED AND PARISH SAVINGS CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS?

hile most of the money required for the capital improvements mentioned will be raised through the *Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady* campaign, the parish will also contribute \$100,000 to ensure that all goals outlined are fully met. This \$100,000 is coming from a combination of all remaining unspent *Living Our Mission* money totaling \$65,000 and \$35,000 from the parish's Facilities Savings account. *The Living Our Mission* funds are specifically earmarked for our church and campus building repairs and needs.

The \$35,000 from the savings account will be used to account for a 10% contingency on all the building projects mentioned.

It is also important to note that the funds used from *Living Our Mission* meet the case for support goals as outlined when our parish conducted this campaign in 2016.



### WILL FUNDS RAISED THROUGH THE **Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady** CAMPAIGN SUPPORT THE MERCY CENTER?

hrough the anticipated generosity of our parishioners, our prayerful hope is to surpass our initial fundraising goal of \$300,000. If we surpass our initial goal, any additional funds would allow us to address the repairs desperately needed to the Mercy Center. This building is a historic landmark in our community, and we need to preserve it. The total cost for all the work needed to the Mercy Center is \$33,000 and the projects are listed below:

- Replace Office Wing roof
- Masonry rehabilitation to both wings
- New main door to the Classroom Wing

TOURS AVAILABLE! If you would like to have a tour of the Mercy Center or any of our other facilities, please contact us to set up a time that is convenient.



# THREE SPIRITUAL CONSIDERATIONS TO GUIDE YOUR GENEROSITY

### GRATITUDE

Be motivated by gratitude to God, making a generous return to the Lord for all the blessings in your life.

### JOY

Give freely rather than from a sense of obligation, knowing that God loves a cheerful giver and that true generosity leads to joy.

### LOVE

Allow Jesus to fill your heart with His spirit of trust and selfless love for all those served by the Church's ministry and mission.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT

OUR HOPE, OUR HOME, OUR LADY

OR TO MAKE A PLEDGE ONLINE,

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Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament is proud to be partnering with the Catholic Community Foundation of the Diocese of Richmond in conducting this campaign. By working with the Foundation, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament will be able to run an effective yet cost-efficient effort. Please know that 100% of the proceeds raised through Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady will stay in the parish.



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