



# FAITH & HOPE

A Newsletter for the Campaign for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

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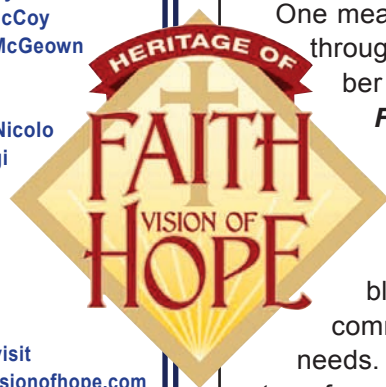
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## Campaign Surpasses 80% of Goal!

*Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope* has received pledges and gifts of \$160 million, surpassing 80% of the campaign goal!

"I am most impressed by the many generous gifts and pledges made to this historic effort," said Cardinal Justin Rigali. "Each parish is working toward a common goal in the name of Our Lord, and that makes this effort all the more inspiring – that we are coming together to carry on the work of His Church."

During the first four months of this year, \$40 million was pledged to the Church of Philadelphia for the immediate and long-

range pastoral, educational, spiritual and charitable needs of the Archdiocese outlined in the case statement for the campaign. More than 35,000 families have made a pledge to *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*. Eighty-four families have made commitments of \$100,000 or more, including 17 that have pledged \$1 million or more. Every Catholic household in the Archdiocese is being asked to prayerfully consider making a sacrificial pledge to *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*.

Indicating a desire to be faithful to their commitment, donors have made payments totaling nearly \$30 million on pledg-

es so far. The parishes that participated in the early tracks began receiving distributions of campaign funds six months after completing their local efforts. By the end of March, \$4 million had been disbursed to parishes. Many renovation and restoration projects at parishes throughout the Archdiocese already have been paid for by the proceeds of *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*.

One hundred four parishes will complete their efforts over the next eight months. The last group of parishes is beginning preparations for their local initiatives this spring. The campaign will conclude in December 2010.

### Message from the Campaign Co-Chair

Dear Friends –

It's been a little more than a year since *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope* was first announced, and together we've made tremendous progress! As of April 30, we have crossed the \$160 million threshold. At 80% of our goal, the finish line is within sight!

Currently, 58 parishes are running local campaigns, and seven already have exceeded their Archdiocesan goals. Our Lady of the Assumption, Strafford, is one of the first in this track to oversubscribe its target, exceeding its goal in just 11 weeks. Now that it is over its goal, 65 cents of every dollar the parish raises will stay at the parish for its local needs.

One measure of the overwhelming spirit of generosity throughout the Archdiocese is the significant number of leadership gifts received by *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*. Eighty-four families have made a pledge of \$100,000 or more. This kind of philanthropy can inspire all of us. People are making the Church of Philadelphia a top priority for their charitable giving, and families of all income levels are committed to helping the Church meet its critical needs. Every sacrificial pledge will help elevate and transform lives.



Parishes throughout the Archdiocese are seeing the fruits of our labor. Already, \$30 million has been collected on pledges, and nearly \$4 million raised through this campaign is available now to parishes that participated in the early tracks. The projects underway cover the spectrum, from establishing tuition assistance funds, to replacing heating and air conditioning systems, to improving handicap accessibility, to installing new roofs. These very visible initiatives confirm that a pledge to *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope* will secure the future of our Church, and leave a lasting legacy for our children and grandchildren.

Sincerely,

J. Eustace Wolfington  
Co-Chairman,  
*Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*

# Campaign Update



## Track 4 Parishes

PARISH (PASTOR)	GOAL	RAISED	%
St. Joseph,* Downingtown (Msgr. William Lynn)	\$1,865,000	\$3,155,376	169%
St. Genevieve,* Flourtown (Msgr. Michael Matz)	\$700,000	\$1,087,188	155%
St. Peter the Apostle,* Philadelphia (Fr. Kevin Moley, C.S.S.R.)	\$300,000	\$375,000	125%
St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother,* Avondale (Fr. Richard Maisano)	\$675,000	\$766,593	114%
Our Lady of the Assumption, Strafford (Msgr. Joseph T. Marino)	\$600,000	\$654,540	109%
St. Rose of Lima, North Wales (Msgr. Daniel Murray)	\$1,040,000	\$996,730	96%
Our Lady of Hope, Philadelphia (Fr. Efrén V. Esmilla)	\$225,000	\$207,000	92%
Immaculate Conception, Philadelphia (Fr. William G. Ayres)	\$60,000	\$50,960	85%
St. Ignatius of Antioch, Yardley (Msgr. Samuel E. Shoemaker)	\$1,505,000	\$1,187,470	79%
St. Teresa of Avila, Norristown (Msgr. Andrew Golias)	\$825,000	\$598,065	72%
St. Madeleine Sophie, Philadelphia (Fr. James Cox)	\$175,000	\$117,600	67%
Our Lady of Consolation, Parkesburg (Fr. Victor J. Eschbach)	\$625,000	\$414,020	66%
St. Hugh of Cluny, Philadelphia (Fr. Andris Alexis Moronta, I.V.E.)	\$100,000	\$65,500	66%
St. Francis of Assisi, Philadelphia (Fr. Eugene Sheridan, C.M.)	\$170,000	\$109,750	65%
Notre Dame de Lourdes, Swarthmore (Fr. Karl Zeuner)	\$605,000	\$318,720	53%
Our Lady of Lourdes, Philadelphia (Fr. James W. Mayer, O.de M.)	\$355,000	\$186,000	52%
St. Mary Magdalen, Media (Msgr. Ralph Chieffo)	\$1,605,000	\$756,050	47%
Holy Innocents, Philadelphia (Fr. Thomas M. Higgins)	\$470,000	\$206,340	44%
St. Christopher, Philadelphia (Msgr. Joseph Garvin)	\$1,695,000	\$730,010	43%
Holy Spirit, Sharon Hill (Fr. Martin E. Woodeshick)	\$260,000	\$108,800	42%
Presentation B.V.M., Wynnewood (Fr. Eduardo Montero)	\$575,000	\$240,200	42%
Nativity B.V.M., Media (Fr. Edward Bell)	\$995,000	\$399,320	40%
St. Thomas Aquinas, Croydon (Fr. Michael Davis)	\$460,000	\$180,850	39%
St. Ann, Phoenixville (Fr. John J. Newsn)	\$1,090,000	\$422,262	39%
St. Patrick, Malvern (Fr. James Ambrogio)	\$1,630,000	\$603,450	37%
Visitation B.V.M., Trooper (Msgr. Thomas Murray)	\$2,315,000	\$841,530	36%
Queen of the Universe, Levittown (Fr. Michael F. Hennelly)	\$920,000	\$334,040	36%
St. Monica, Berwyn (Fr. William A. Trader)	\$1,030,000	\$355,850	35%

PARISH (PASTOR)	GOAL	RAISED	%
St. Mary, Schwenksville (Fr. Charles J. McElroy)	\$1,170,000	\$394,653	34%
St. Kevin, Springfield (Fr. John Moloney)	\$845,000	\$273,000	32%
St. Basil the Great, Kimberton (Fr. Robert A. McLaughlin)	\$740,000	\$235,360	32%
St. Thomas More, Pottstown (Fr. Hugh J. Dougherty)	\$440,000	\$137,550	31%
St. Michael the Archangel, Levittown (Fr. Michael C. Dilorio)	\$950,000	\$291,962	31%
Blessed Virgin Mary, Darby (Fr. Joseph Corley)	\$420,000	\$118,010	28%
Our Lady of Fatima, Secane (Msgr. George Majoros)	\$1,040,000	\$290,925	28%
Our Lady of Peace,* Milmont Park (Fr. Louis Kolenkiewicz)	\$660,000	\$182,000	28%
Our Lady of Consolation, Philadelphia (Fr. Dennis J. Carbonaro)	\$425,000	\$112,000	26%
St. Martin of Tours, Philadelphia (Msgr. Edward Deliman)	\$805,000	\$211,580	26%
St. Bernard, Philadelphia (Fr. Joseph Accardi)	\$575,000	\$137,768	24%
St. Ann, Bristol (Fr. James R. Day, O.S.S.)	\$450,000	\$105,600	23%
St. Vincent de Paul, Richboro (Fr. Joseph J. McLaughlin)	\$990,000	\$225,166	23%
Our Lady of Guadalupe,* Buckingham (Msgr. Joseph Gentili)	\$750,000	\$165,500	22%
St. Gabriel, Norwood, (Fr. Samuel A. Verruni)	\$815,000	\$159,400	20%
St. Frances Cabrini, Fairless Hills (Msgr. Michael P. McCormac)	\$920,000	\$155,050	17%
St. Martha, Philadelphia (Fr. Alexander Masluk)	\$850,000	\$123,740	15%
St. Andrew, Philadelphia (Fr. Peter Burkauskas)	\$125,000	\$16,500	13%
St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill (Fr. Roland Slobogin)	\$840,000	\$105,000	13%
St. Matthew, Philadelphia (Msgr. Charles E. McGroarty)	\$1,500,000	\$131,900	9%
Queen of Peace, Ardsley (Fr. Lawrence F. Crehan)	\$795,000	\$69,100	9%
Holy Cross, Philadelphia (Fr. James Cox)	\$225,000	\$18,300	8%
St. Michael, Philadelphia (Fr. William G. Ayres)	\$90,000	\$6,000	7%
St. Martin de Porres, Philadelphia (Fr. Edward J. Hallinan)	\$205,000	\$13,040	6%
Resurrection of Our Lord, Philadelphia (Fr. Joseph E. Howarth)	\$750,000	\$25,000	3%
St. Malachy, Philadelphia (Msgr. Kevin C. Lawrence)	\$150,000	\$2,500	2%
Our Lady of the Rosary, Coatesville (Fr. Thomas Brennan)	\$624,000	\$10,000	2%
Incarnation of Our Lord, Philadelphia (Fr. Gerald Piñero)	\$255,000	\$25	1%

\*Denotes combined parish/capital campaign.

## Parish restoration funded through *Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope*

The tidy red brick church of Sacred Heart Parish that sits on Church Street in Phoenixville has been home to the area's Slovak community for over a century, and is now attracting younger families.

**Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope** is providing the means to do some much-needed restoration work on the 100 year old building.

The parish was expected to raise \$295,000, but the parishioners responded to the campaign with amazing generosity, pledging a total of \$406,000! The parish completed its local effort in June 2009, and has been receiving disbursements of campaign funds since January.

"We took a positive approach," said Father Michael Ronzca. "I felt that once we opened a dialogue about our needs and got the momentum going, we would move forward. The parishioners were beyond supportive." Once over goal, the sharing formula changed, and 65 cents of every dollar raised over the target was earmarked for the parish. That gave Sacred Heart an extra \$75,000 to use for their local needs.

"Our first project was to refurbish the exterior doors," said Father Ronzca. "Then, we decided to start in the basement, and work our way up." The church basement auditorium had been subdivided into smaller rooms years ago. With the funds from the campaign, the parish was able to tear down walls and repair water and plaster damage. "We can have larger meetings in the church basement now, including social events and sacramental preparation," Father Ronzca said. "We also installed restrooms, which we didn't have before, making it very usable." The plumbing work also led to renovations of the bathrooms upstairs in the Church. The next project Sacred Heart will undertake is painting the interior of the church.



**Workman put the finishing touches on the restoration of the church basement auditorium at Sacred Heart Parish, Phoenixville. The parish raised 138% of their goal, providing more funds to address renovation and repair projects in the century-old Church.**

Father Ronzca is also the pastor at the neighboring Holy Trinity Parish, and guided both parishes to success in their campaigns. Holy Trinity raised \$223,830, or 107% of the parish goal. The roof of Holy Trinity Church was replaced this spring, and work crews will be back in a few weeks to finish the roof on the steeple.

"When people sensed that we were on the same journey together, that we had the same vision and goals for the Church, they were incredibly supportive. The campaign was a positive experience for us," he added.

### Why I Give...

#### James and Frances Maguire, Our Mother of Consolation, Philadelphia

There are three worthy causes that Jim and Frannie Maguire care deeply about: education, health care, and the Catholic Church. Over the years, they have made significant contributions of time, talent and treasure to all three, and they decided to continue that support by making a **\$2 million** commitment to **Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope**.

"Frannie and I believe that lay Catholics have a responsibility to get involved in the Church and show support and leadership because, after all, people are the Church," Mr. Maguire said.

Mr. Maguire commended the leadership of Cardinal Rigali and the auxiliary bishops during this campaign and noted that faithful Catholics need to help the clergy with undertaking of this significance. "If I run a corporation, I manage it, but the employees are what make it successful. I look at the Church the same way...there can be great leadership, but an involved, active and visible laity is what makes it strong."



Mr. Maguire is the founder and chairman emeritus of Philadelphia Insurance Companies, headquartered in Bala Cynwyd. In addition to being a member of the Cardinal's Leadership Task Force, he was asked to serve on the board of directors for the non-profit corporation established for **Heritage of Faith ~ Vision of Hope**. Noting that the Cardinal is very open to lay oversight, Mr. Maguire said that transparency and accountability are important. "I feel a great responsibility to ensure the laity's voice is heard," he said.

Mr. Maguire was raised in upstate New York. He came to Philadelphia in 1952 as a student at St. Joseph University, and never left. Mrs. Maguire is from the area. Together, the Maguires had nine children, and are the proud grandparents of 21.