



## AN INVITATION INTO GENEROSITY

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our parish is blessed to take part in *Called to Flourish: Our Church for the Future*, a diocesan-wide effort to strengthen every parish and ministry across the Diocese of Cleveland. This campaign invites us to renew our commitment to the mission Christ has entrusted to us – to grow in faith, serve others with joy, and build a Church that will flourish for generations to come.

Here at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, we have long been a community rooted in generosity. Through our participation in *Called to Flourish*, we have the opportunity to advance our vision, addressing important needs at our parish while also supporting shared diocesan priorities that serve the entire Catholic community of Northeast Ohio.

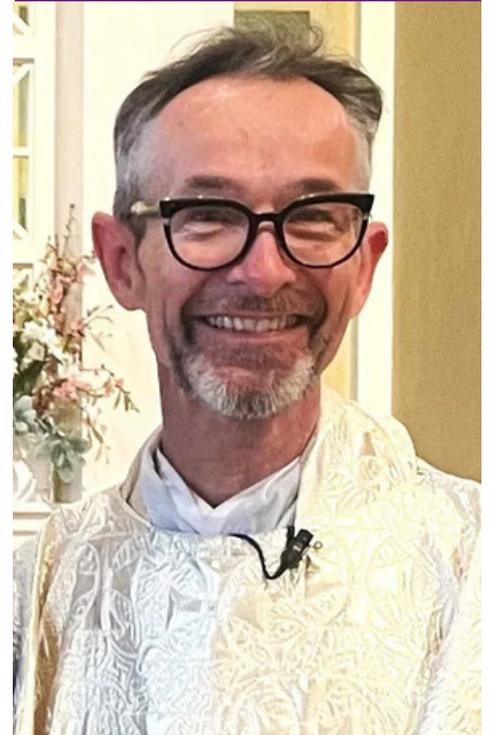
I am wholeheartedly supportive of this effort and encourage you to join me in praying for the success of the campaign. Your gift will make a lasting difference for our parish family and for the future of our Church. Thank you for your faith, commitment, and thoughtful consideration.

Let His Peace be with you,

Fr. Stephen Moran  
Pastor

**Parish Goal:**  
**\$1,430,000**

**Parish Share:**  
**\$715,000**



### Our Parish Roots

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception has been a cornerstone of Catholic life in Wayne County for over 175 years. From humble beginnings as a mission station in the early 1800s to the thriving parish it is today, its legacy is rooted in deep faith and a strong sense of community.

Today, as we celebrate our history in Wayne County, we honor our rich past and look forward with faith and hope to the future God has planned for us.

To continue growing as a vibrant, Christ-centered community, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is launching several key initiatives as a part of the *Called to Flourish: Our Church for the Future* campaign that will strengthen our parish well into the future. Your support will help bring these vital projects to life.



## Investing in Our Parish Campus

To maintain and improve the essential infrastructure of our parish, a variety of capital improvements will be prioritized, ensuring our facilities remain beautiful, functional, and welcoming for years to come.

- **Expanding Available Meeting Space:** Through a phased renovation of an existing rental building, we will create adaptable spaces that support ministry growth and serve a variety of community needs.
- **Enhancing Liturgical Space:** It has been twenty-five years since our last major renovation of the church interior. While the space remains structurally sound, our experience in prayer and worship has revealed opportunities to enhance its beauty and accessibility. Planned updates include clarifying the placement of the tabernacle and baptistry, and making thoughtful adjustments to the altar and ambo to enrich the liturgical experience.



## Securing Our Future

Recent HVAC expenditures have significantly drawn down our Major Repair Fund. Through this campaign, we seek to replenish this reserve to prepare for anticipated future needs, such as roof repairs, replacement of the church elevator and organ, and repainting of the bell tower. Strengthening this fund will help us maintain the integrity and beauty of our facilities as we continue to serve our parish community.



## Empowering Ministry

Through this campaign, a fund will be established to support parishioners called to ministry by helping cover formation and training costs, tailored to their interests and gifts. Recipients will commit to sharing the fruits of this formation within our parish and across the deanery. The fund will also support grassroots evangelization efforts as our deanery develops a vision for outreach in rural communities.



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Our parish campaign goals are based on the needs we've identified, the estimated costs of the projects, and the generosity we believe our community can achieve together.

