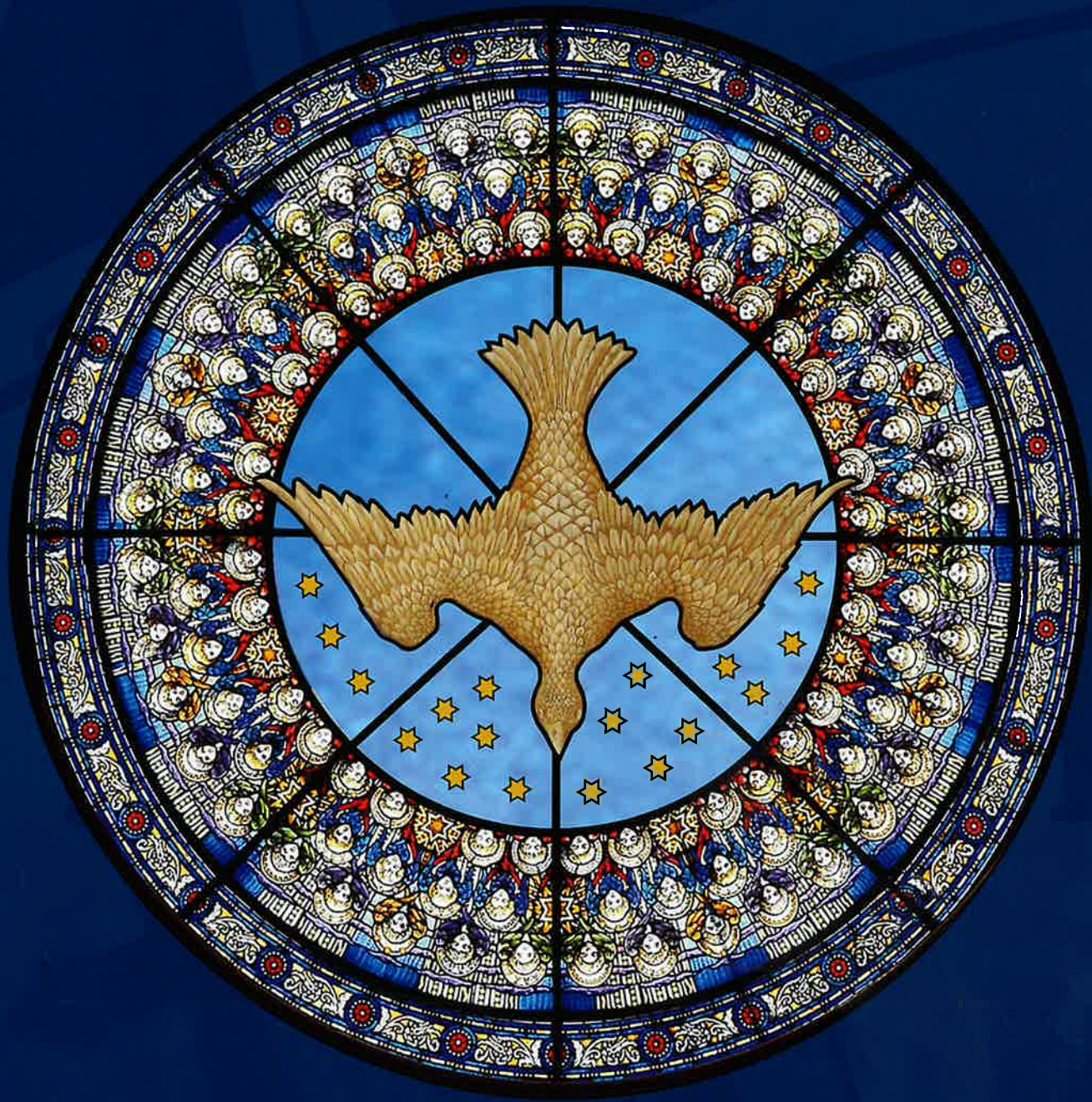


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*Lord, Renew
Your Church*

Campaign Prayer

Lord, Renew Your Church by the light of the Gospel.

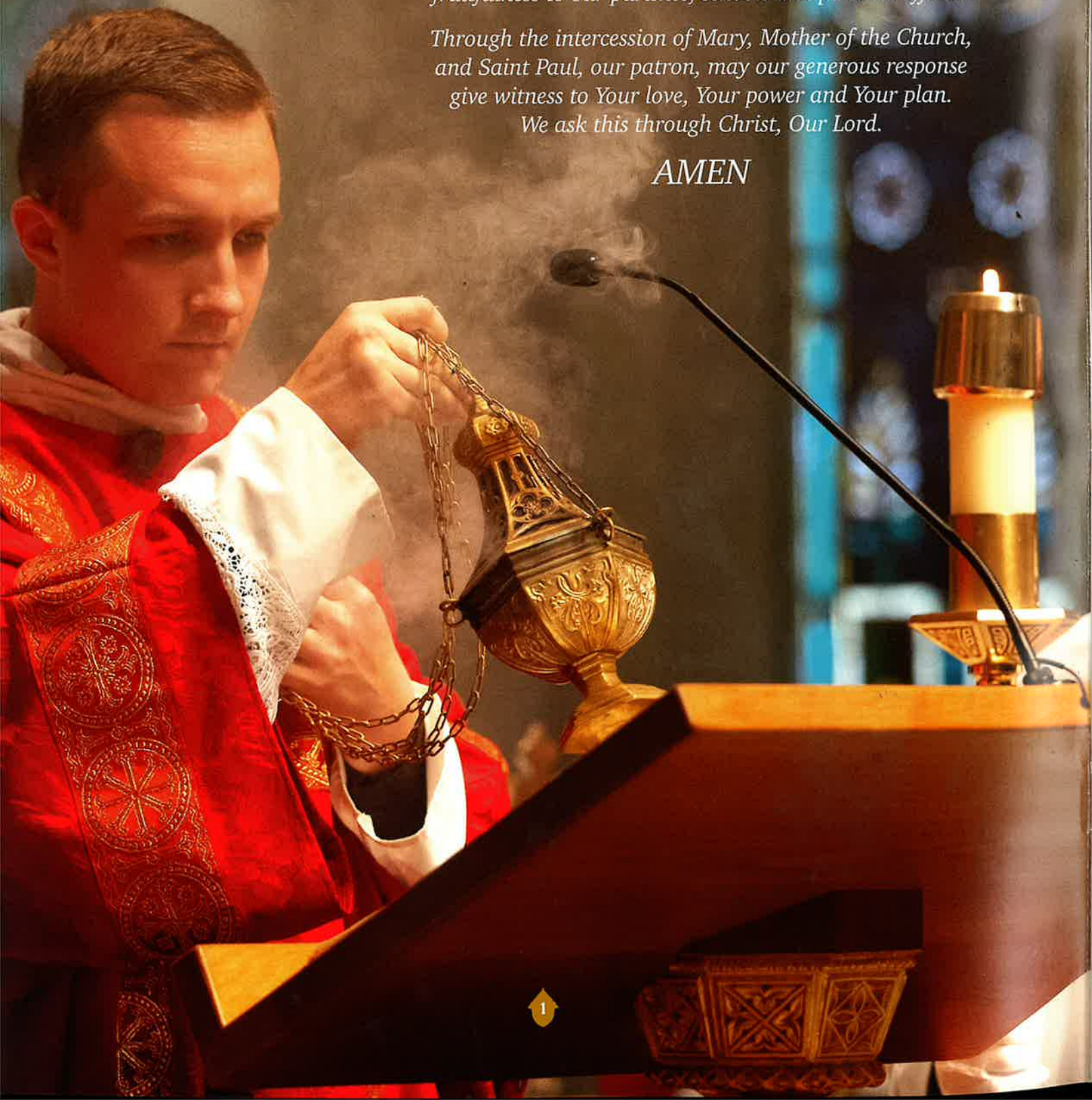
Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us so that we might recognize you as the Giver of all good gifts.

Bless our Lord, Renew Your Church campaign. May it strengthen the bonds that unite us and bring new fruitfulness to our parishes, schools and pastoral efforts.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and Saint Paul, our patron, may our generous response give witness to Your love, Your power and Your plan.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

AMEN





Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is with great gratitude and excitement that I write to you as we begin our capital campaign, *Lord, Renew Your Church*. I feel privileged to shepherd an Archdiocese in which the work of the Holy Spirit is so evident. I am frequently reminded of your faithfulness to the Gospel and your sharing of my hope that God desires to renew His Church. I am so grateful that throughout my time as Archbishop, you have shown your trust in me by sharing your dreams and ideas for the future; dreams that include a keen yearning to know Christ and our faith more deeply, a desire to introduce your children to Jesus, and to pass on the richness of our Catholic faith to future generations and to those who do not yet know or recognize God's love. Those aspirations can become a reality only with a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Your dreams for our future as a Church are the source of the excitement that I shared with you in my 2022 pastoral letter *You Will Be My Witnesses: Called and Sent from the Upper Room*. As we desire to live more deeply the mysteries of the Upper Room (the Washing of the Feet, the Eucharist, and the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit), it has become apparent that we need to strengthen our parishes, renew our commitment to educating our youth for discipleship, work to preserve our Cathedral and Basilica, provide for the needs of our active, retired and future clergy and renew our embrace of the works of mercy as a means of caring for those in need. The *Lord, Renew Your Church* capital campaign presents us with a transformational opportunity to fund those five priorities in a way that will shape the future of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

In Saint Matthew's Gospel, Jesus assures us that, "the harvest is plentiful." Confident in that promise, I ask that you join me as laborers for the bountiful harvest that is to come. We need not labor alone: Jesus encourages us to ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers for this work. It is only by working together in this effort and remembering our role as collaborators in what we know to be the Lord's work that we will be able to reap the amazing harvest he is bringing forth for us. I am praying that you will generously join me in this important endeavor.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ *Bernard A. Hebda*

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis



Our Time for Renewal

Since the humble beginnings of this local Church in 1850, the faithful of this Archdiocese have walked together as brothers and sisters on an impressive journey of faith. Today, home to hundreds of thousands of Catholics who worship in 185 parishes, educating young people in more than 90 Catholic schools, and serving neighbors in need within our diverse communities, the Archdiocese continues to bring the Good News to life in the hearts and neighborhoods of its faithful, helping others to encounter Jesus Christ through our witness.

In response to the invitation to participate in the New Evangelization as missionary disciples, and reflecting on our community's evolving needs and challenges, we must work together to call forth the resources needed for renewal at our parishes and within the Archdiocese. Experience tells us that we can do this most effectively if we prayerfully work together, supporting, and empowering parishes as we take our next steps. With this in mind, we embark upon an Archdiocese-wide capital campaign, *Lord, Renew Your Church*, to support the work of this local church. Archbishop Hebda fully trusts that the collaboration over the next few years will help us build upon the foundation laid by previous generations in a way that optimizes our long-term success in mission and ministry while fostering greater financial and organizational stability.



The Lord, Renew Your Church campaign will raise \$250 million to maintain the vitality of our local Church for this generation and beyond. We will accomplish this by prioritizing:

Strengthening Our Parishes

Parishes will enhance their spiritual and pastoral lives by utilizing 60% of raised funds for local priorities, in turn, fostering deeper discipleship and drawing people into closer relationships with Jesus Christ. Ensuring strong, vibrant parishes is essential for shaping the future of our faith.

Educating Children and Young People for Discipleship

This initiative will support faith formation in schools and parishes, in line with the *Archdiocesan Roadmap for Excellence in Catholic Education*. Funds will enhance talent management, provide scholarships, support Drexel Mission Schools, strengthen catechetical and leadership formation, and bolster campus ministries to guide young adults in their faith journey.

Sustaining the Cathedral of Saint Paul & the Basilica of Saint Mary

Critical renovations, infrastructure upgrades, and preservation efforts will be funded to maintain our Cathedral and Co-Cathedral as vital centers of faith and community for future generations so the Archdiocese might continue to shine the light of faith for generations to come.

Caring for our Clergy and Future Clergy

Retired and active clergy will be supported through a fully funded pension plan, specialized care, and wellness and training programs. Financial assistance will also be provided for future clergy, ensuring continuous support for their education and well-being.

Providing for Those in Need: The Corporal Works of Mercy

An endowment will be established to support those directly serving individuals in need. This fund will enable the Church to respond proactively to crises such as natural disasters, homelessness, and other extraordinary requests for assistance.





Strengthening Our Parishes | \$125 Million

Parishes are the heart of this Archdiocese, serving as places of worship, community building, education, service, and evangelization. They foster fellowship and a sense of belonging, playing a crucial role in sharing and sustaining our Catholic faith. The *Lord, Renew Your Church* campaign gives us an extraordinary opportunity to enhance spiritual and pastoral lives by asking each parish community to assess its needs and determine how the works of evangelization, discipleship, outreach, and service could best be supported in their parish. By investing in the efforts discerned by each parish, this campaign will not only help place them in the forefront of our communities, but also foster a deeper sense of discipleship among parishioners.

Through *Lord, Renew Your Church*, each parish will retain 60% of the funds raised by their parish to support their local priorities.

Parishes will actively determine how to allocate these funds to their community's defined capital or endowed needs, empowering each parish to prioritize areas they discern to be most in need.

Making certain that all our parishes are strong and vibrant communities of faith is central to our mission. *Lord, Renew Your Church* will be the catalyst, boldly dreaming about how our parishes can serve the people by drawing them into deeper relationships with Christ, who is at the center of all we are and all that we do.

*“A parish is a community of communities,
a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink
in the midst of their journey,
and a center of constant missionary outreach.”*

~ Pope Francis in Evangelii Gaudium, 2013

*“A good school provides a rounded education for the whole person.
And a good Catholic school, over and above this, should help all its
students to become saints.”*

~ Pope Benedict XVI





Educating Children and Young People for Discipleship | \$57.5 Million

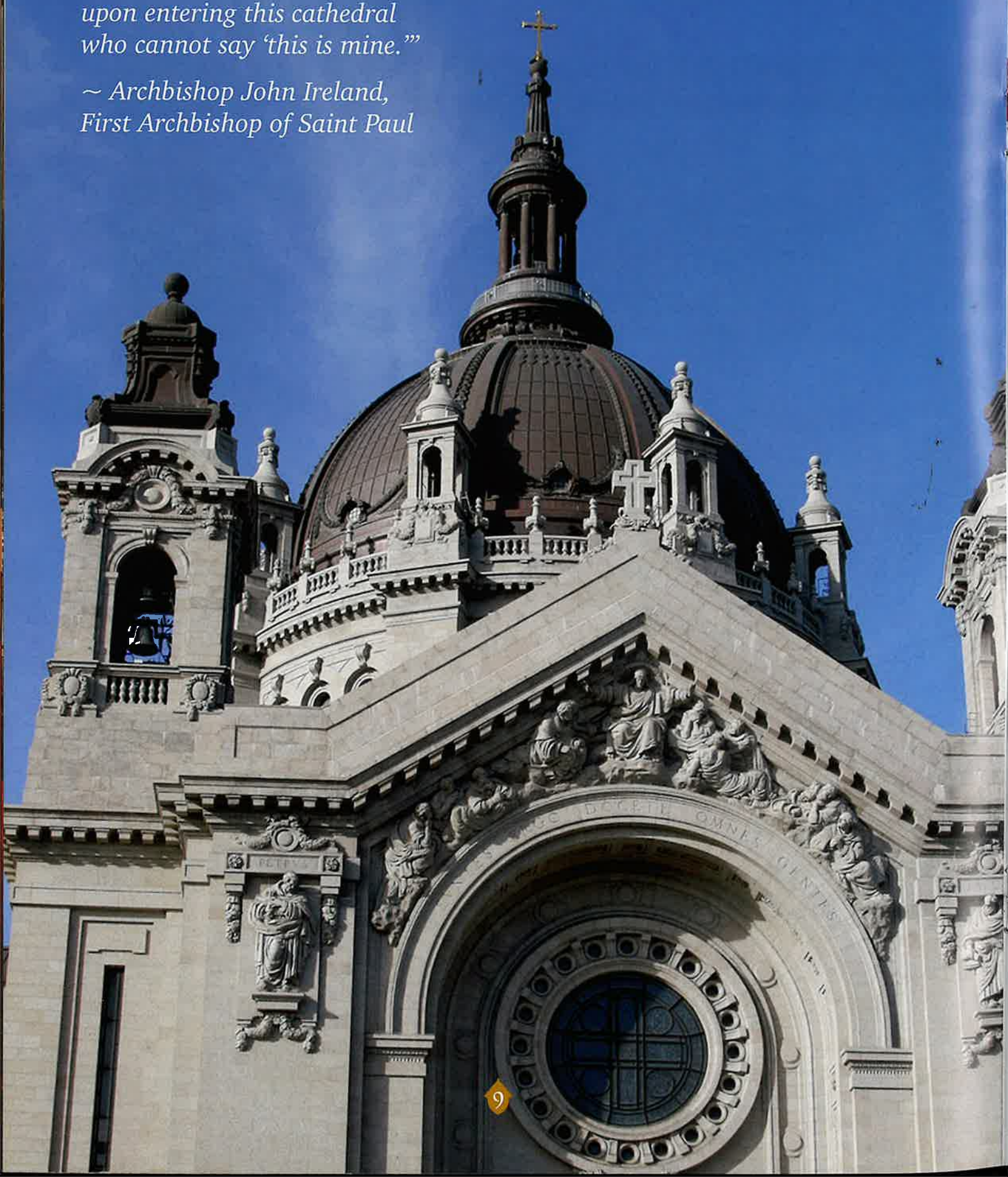
Through the work of our parishes and schools today, over 56,000 young people in the Archdiocese are being empowered to become faithful missionary disciples of Christ and active members of the Church. By integrating faith into every aspect of learning, Catholic schools across our Archdiocese instill a holistic understanding of the world through a Catholic lens, as set forth in the *Archdiocesan Roadmap for Excellence in Catholic Education*. Funds raised through *Lord, Renew Your Church* will be used to directly support faith formation in schools and parishes and implement the *Archdiocesan Roadmap for Excellence in Catholic Education*.

- ◆ **A \$21.5 million endowment will be created for the Pursuit of Catholic Educational Excellence**, as set forth in the *Roadmap for Excellence in Catholic Education*. These funds will assist every school in the Archdiocese in areas of talent recruitment, retention, and management, professional development for faith-filled educators, and curriculum development. Funds will also support the network of Drexel Mission Schools, augmenting their work with vital spiritual, operational, and social support.
- ◆ **\$20 million will support Access and Sustainability** for the thousands of students currently receiving scholarships to our Catholic schools. These funds will increase both the number of families receiving scholarships or financial aid and the amount of each scholarship awarded. These funds will be administered to recipients through the Aim Higher Foundation.
- ◆ **A \$13 million endowment will help fund Catholic Faith Formation Initiatives** by investing in evangelization beyond the important work of Catholic schools to ensure the strong formation of our future generations by providing excellent catechetical training, sacramental and leadership formation opportunities for our catechists and youth ministers, and providing a high-quality curriculum to strengthen parish catechesis programs.
- ◆ **\$3 million of campaign funds will bolster Campus Ministries** to help young adults navigate the challenges of academic and personal life with a strong sense of purpose and direction. These ministries include on-campus activities at the St. Lawrence Newman Center Minneapolis, retreats, service opportunities, building missional communities, and small group formation.



*"There should be no one who
upon entering this cathedral
who cannot say 'this is mine.'"*

*~ Archbishop John Ireland,
First Archbishop of Saint Paul*



Sustaining the Cathedral of Saint Paul & Basilica of Saint Mary | \$30 Million

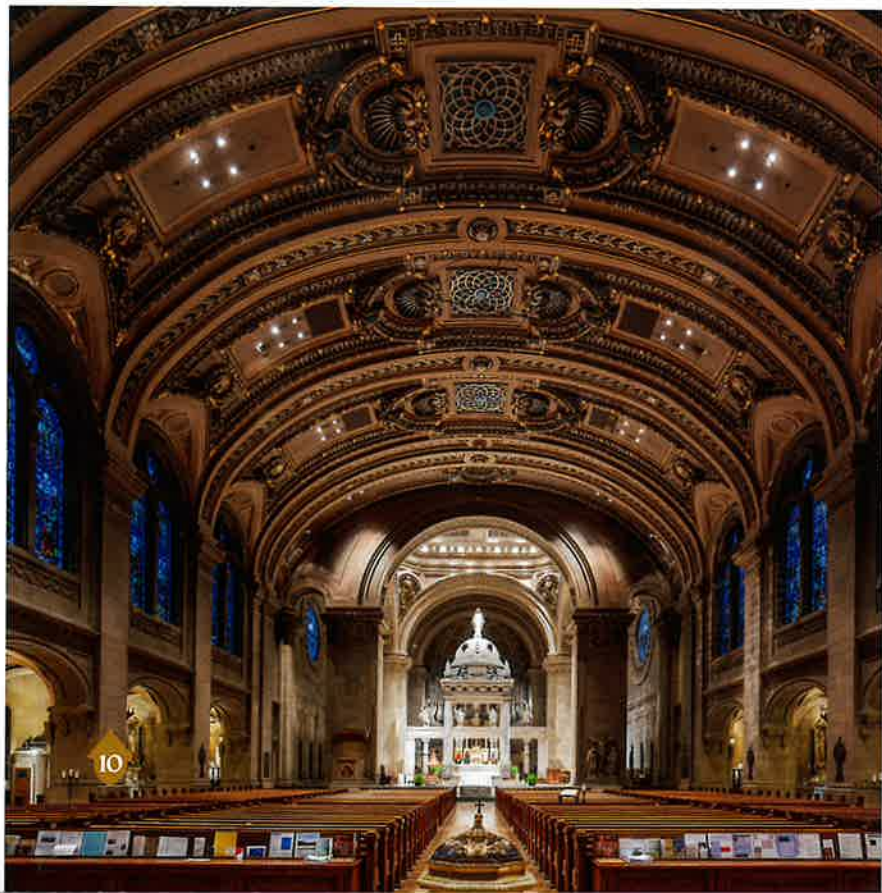
The Cathedral of Saint Paul and the Basilica of Saint Mary are vital to the Church's identity and unity, serving as beacons of faith and community. They provide continuity and stability, fostering a sense of belonging across generations. Essential renovations and upgrades are needed to preserve these iconic structures for future generations.

- ◆ **\$15 million will support the Cathedral** in addressing critical infrastructure updates, conservation of sacred art, and functionality improvements, including bathroom upgrades, sacristy restoration and a comprehensive HVAC replacement.
- ◆ **\$15 million for the Basilica** will focus on structural maintenance, including rebuilding the front entrance stairwells and refurbishing the world-class organ. These funds will also invest in an endowment and capital reserve to support future needs.

By investing in the renewal of the Cathedral of Saint Paul and the Basilica of Saint Mary, we honor the importance of cathedrals in the life of all dioceses and recognize them as important elements of our history and places where we can gather together as an Archdiocesan Church.

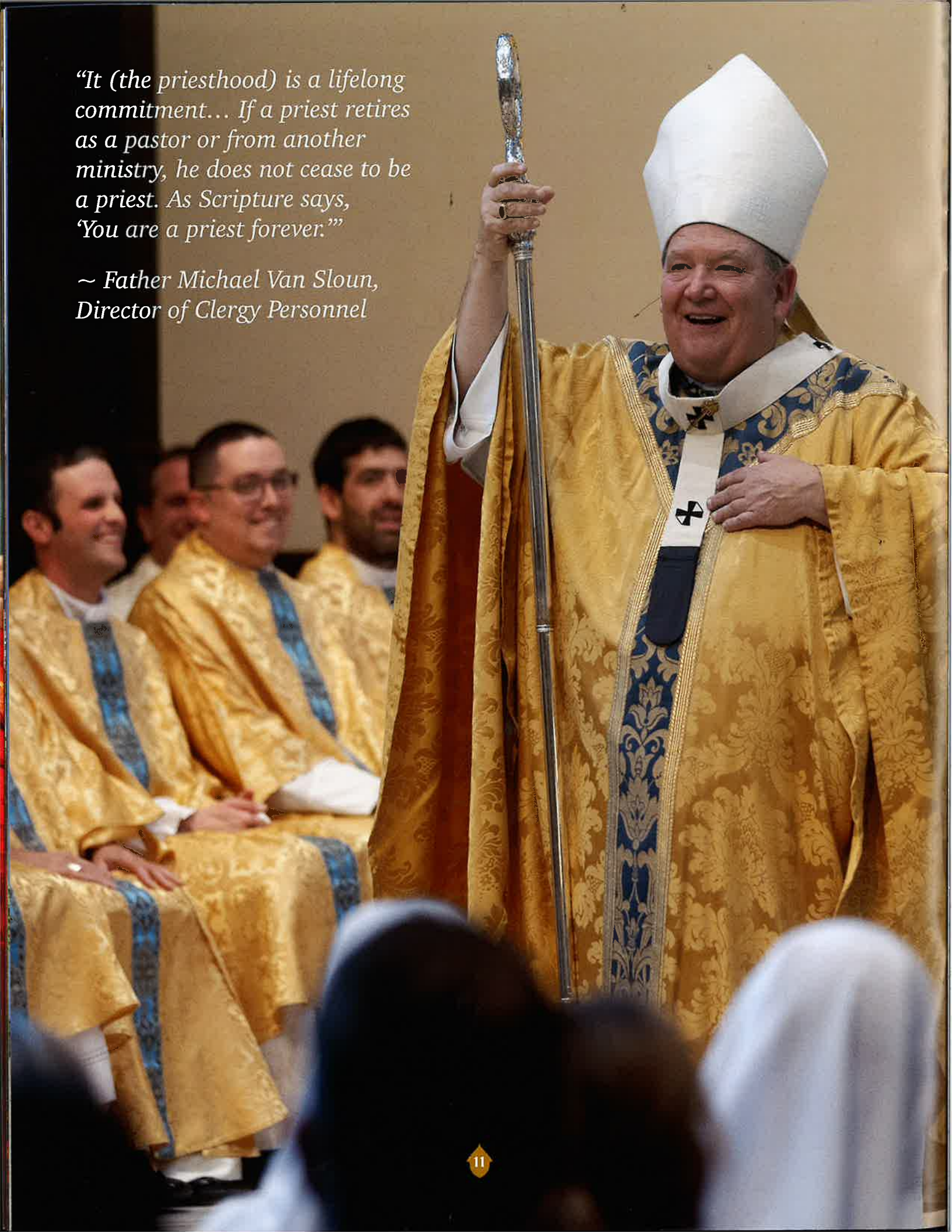
“The Cathedral is one of the most impressive buildings in our skyline. Its majesty touches people’s hearts, drawing them to God. As Archbishop John Ireland stated when he built it, it truly belongs to everyone.”

*~ Father Joseph Johnson,
Rector,
Cathedral of Saint Paul*



"It (the priesthood) is a lifelong commitment... If a priest retires as a pastor or from another ministry, he does not cease to be a priest. As Scripture says, 'You are a priest forever.'"

*~ Father Michael Van Sloun,
Director of Clergy Personnel*





Caring for Our Clergy and Future Clergy | \$25 Million

The clergy are among the greatest strengths of our Archdiocese, dedicating their lives to service in parishes, schools, hospitals, and prisons, and being present for significant moments in our lives.

- ◆ ***Lord, Renew Your Church*** will add \$10 million to fully fund the priest pension plan, ensuring our retired priests can continue their impactful service. Even in retirement, our priests are vital shepherds of faith within our community.
- ◆ A first \$5 million endowment will assist retired priests requiring skilled nursing and memory care.
- ◆ A second \$5 million endowment will support clergy wellness and training, addressing the emotional, mental, and physical demands of ministry, and providing opportunities for renewal and further education.
- ◆ A third \$5 million endowment will go toward assisting future clergy with further educational opportunities and helping alleviate financial challenges. Doing so will help us honor their commitment and ensure the Church remains a beacon of faith, hope, and love for generations to come.

*“The priest is not a priest for himself;
he does not give himself absolution;
he does not administer the sacraments to himself.*

*He is not for himself;
he is for you.”*

*~ St. John Vianney,
Catechism on the Priesthood*





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Providing for Those in Need: The Corporal Works of Mercy | \$12.5 Million

We are often reminded that the Church is a field hospital for those in need. Beyond our work with the Drexel Mission Schools Initiative, the Archdiocese presently has no financial capacity for supporting the work of those who are directly serving people in need, whether here within our twelve counties, or elsewhere in our nation, or even abroad.

By creating this endowment, roughly equal to a tithe of this campaign, we enable our Church to proactively support works of mercy for those who need it most. This includes providing assistance to those affected by natural disasters, homelessness, and immigration, or being able to respond to extraordinary requests for assistance. We hope to be the hands and face of Christ among those with the least and provide a meaningful gesture of support when it is needed most.

*“Christ has no body on Earth
but ours, no hands, but ours,
no feet, but ours.*

*Ours are the eyes through
which the compassion of Christ
looks out upon the world.*

*Ours are the feet with which
He goes about doing good.
Ours are the hands with which
He blesses His people.”*

~ St. Teresa of Avila



Answer the Call of Renewal

Through *Lord, Renew Your Church*, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis will be taking the next step in ensuring the vibrancy of the Catholic Church for generations to come. By fully embracing our mission of evangelization and seeking to be instruments of renewal as set forth in the pastoral letter, *You Will Be My Witnesses*, we are establishing a future for an energized church that is prepared to face the challenges of an ever-changing world.

Archbishop Hebda is grateful for your example and support and asks you to invite your families, fellow parishioners, and neighbors to participate and boldly answer this call of engagement, formation, and renewal within our Church.





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Campaign Goal: \$250 Million

Strengthening Our Parishes | \$125 Million (50%)

- ◆ Supporting local parish needs

Educating Children and Young People for Discipleship | \$57.5 Million (23%)

- ◆ \$21.5 million endowment for the Pursuit of Catholic Educational Excellence aligned with the *Roadmap for Excellence in Catholic Education*
- ◆ \$20 million to grow financial assistance and scholarships
- ◆ \$13 million endowment for Catholic Faith Formation Initiatives
- ◆ \$3 million toward bolstering Campus Ministry

Sustaining the Cathedral of Saint Paul & Basilica of Saint Mary | \$30 Million (12%)

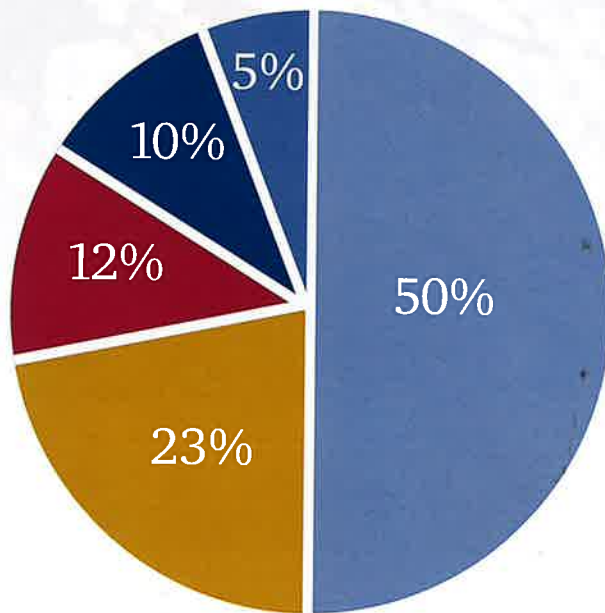
- ◆ \$15 million investment in the Cathedral of Saint Paul
- ◆ \$15 million investment in the Basilica of Saint Mary

Caring for Our Clergy and Future Clergy | \$25 Million (10%)

- ◆ \$10 million investment in the priest pension plan
- ◆ \$15 million endowment assisting retired priests with special needs, clergy wellness and training, and support for future clergy

Providing for Those in Need: The Corporal Works of Mercy | \$12.5 Million (5%)

- ◆ \$12.5 million endowment to extend resources to those in need



Ways to Give

Pledges made during the campaign can be fulfilled over five years. As pledges are fulfilled, the ministries outlined by the campaign will receive proportionate funding to ensure the needs of the campaign are met. Informed by principles of Catholic stewardship, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is working with the Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota (CCF) to hold and invest funds raised through this campaign. Through this partnership, alongside other trusted partners, we will ensure that campaign funds are protected in perpetuity, and always honor the donor's intention.



Benefits of an Estate Gift

Bequests and estate gifts are often considered the easiest ways to give because they:

- ◆ Allow you to state your philanthropic intentions. In this way, they also provide your heirs with a clear understanding of your wishes.
- ◆ Include a campaign fund as a beneficiary.
- ◆ Maintain flexibility. You can update your plan at any time.
- ◆ Require nothing now. Your gift does not transfer until after your passing.
- ◆ Allow you to remember both the people and places that are important to you.

Any portion of an estate gift designated for a campaign fund can have a lasting impact on our Catholic community.

*“Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm.
Look forward to the future with confidence.”*

~ St. Pope John Paul II



Endowments | \$62 Million

\$62 million of funds raised through the *Lord, Renew Your Church* campaign will be used to create endowments with the Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota (CCF). These endowments will support:

Educating Children and Young People for Discipleship

- ◆ \$21.5 million to support the Pursuit of Catholic Educational Excellence, in talent management, recruitment, curriculum development, assessments, and professional development, and provide assistance to the Drexel Mission Schools through the Office for the Mission of Catholic Education
- ◆ \$13 million to support Catholic Faith Formation Initiatives through NET Ministries, the Office of Family, Marriage & Youth, and the Office of Discipleship and Evangelization

Caring for Our Clergy and Future Clergy

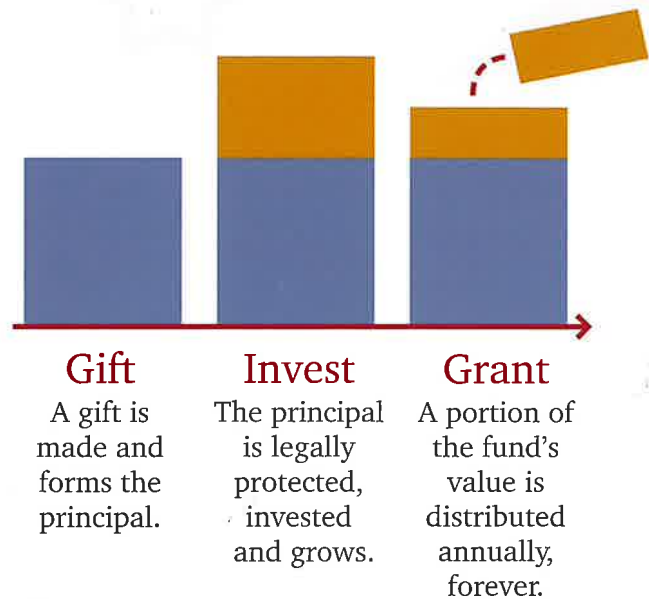
- ◆ \$15 million to support: retired priests with special needs (\$5 million), clergy wellness and training (\$5 million), and training future clergy (\$5 million)

Providing for Those in Need: Corporal Works of Mercy

- ◆ \$12.5 million to support the creation of an endowment to enable the Church to proactively support works of mercy such as the needs of those affected by natural disasters or homelessness or being able to respond to extraordinary requests for assistance

As a professional steward of charitable assets, CCF provides diligent oversight and ensures that our endowments are invested in accordance with current laws and best practices — and are in alignment with our Catholic faith.

How an endowment fund works



EVERY GIFT HAS AN IMPACT!

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