

ASCENSION

For the Conclusion of the Bicentennial Campaign

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MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

As we reflect upon the conclusion of the Bicentennial Capital Campaign, I am moved by the words of St. Paul: “Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” (2 Cor 9:7). What we have witnessed together is a cheerful, generous and Spirit-filled people responding to the call of the Gospel.

This campaign, which began in 2018 leading up to the 200th anniversary of the Diocese of Charleston, was never only a financial undertaking.

At its heart, it was an act of faith for the future of the Catholic Church in South Carolina, a testament to what becomes possible when we choose the common good and communion with each other to which Christ calls us. Catholics from every corner of our state unified in support of building God’s kingdom here at home, and the fruit of that unity is now visible in the life of our parishes and communities.

The outpouring of generosity you have shown has allowed our churches and missions to address crucial needs at the local level, meeting people where they are, as Christ himself always did. I hope the highlights shared in this newsletter give you a glimpse of how profoundly your gifts have taken root.

Beyond immediate parish needs, the campaign has laid a foundation of lasting care. Seven endowment funds have been established at the Catholic Community Foundation of South Carolina to produce good fruits for generations to come — sustaining our seminarians, broadening access to Catholic education, and strengthening ministries that serve the vulnerable, the young and those most in need. You have sown seeds whose harvest will be gathered by children yet to be born, by priests who will be ordained, and by the lost who will one day be found.

My predecessor launched this campaign with a vision of a Church united in the Gospel. I had the privilege of witnessing its successful conclusion, and I can say with full sincerity that the bond uniting us all as children of God has grown stronger. You have shown, through the sacrifices that made this campaign a success, that the words of the Second Vatican Council describe who we are: people who share in the joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of our neighbors — especially the poor and afflicted (*Gaudium et Spes*). With great joy, I invite you to give thanks for what God has accomplished.

“I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it” (Phil 1:6).

In Christ’s love,

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS
Bishop of Charleston



OVER \$60M COLLECTED...

for the Church now and in the future

In July 2020, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston celebrated a milestone — its bicentennial year. Established by Pope Pius VII in 1820, the diocese has upheld God's word and built his kingdom for over 200 years. Through our rich history, we are now 116 parishes and missions strong, with over 240,000 registered Catholics.

The **Bicentennial Capital Campaign** launched in 2018 to celebrate our diocesan history, strengthen our parishes and ministries, and provide for the future of the Church throughout South Carolina. The campaign became known as the BCC, with generous donors pledging over \$60 million to be shared between parishes and the Catholic Community Foundation of South Carolina (CCFSC). At the parish level, the campaign raised funding for local impact projects, and at the CCFSC, for long-term support of Catholic ministries and programs throughout the state.

Each parish had an established campaign goal, and for every dollar donated, the proceeds were shared 50% to the parish and 50% to the CCFSC. If a parish met its goal, the parish thereafter received 75% of any further funds raised for its local impact project, and the CCFSC received 25%. If a parish reached 125% of its goal, the parish received 100% of donations raised beyond that threshold.

The redemption period for pledges ended at the close of 2025. We are thrilled to report that, at its conclusion, the **BCC collected \$62,745,144.85 in total**, surpassing the campaign's goal.

Of the total raised, our churches and missions received \$36,019,907.31 for parish projects. Highlights of BCC donations at work across the state's seven deaneries are featured in the following pages.

The remaining BCC funding, \$26,725,237.54, stayed with the CCFSC to establish endowment funds providing long-term growth and support for the Catholic Church and her ministries for our future generations. The principal in each endowment will remain invested in perpetuity, while an annual distribution from each fund will support its designated beneficiaries.

In this way, the funds provide a balance between the perpetual growth of the principal and an impactful annual distribution to a Catholic need.

Campaign Conclusion

As of December 31, 2025

GOAL

\$60,000,000

COLLECTED

\$62,745,144.85

TO PARISHES

\$36,019,907.31

DONORS

15,507

*Your abundant
generosity made
a lasting impact
on a vibrant and
diverse Catholic
Church across
South Carolina!*





YOUR DONATIONS MADE THESE ENDOWMENTS POSSIBLE

The BCC endowment funds, along with other endowment and restricted funds at the CCFSC, provide lasting, forever support of the Catholic Church in South Carolina.

The CCFSC is stewarded by an independent Board of Directors made up of lay parishioners and clergy from across the state. The Board invests the endowments with professional oversight aligned with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Socially Responsible Investment Guidelines to ensure the funds and their growth reflect Catholic values. Each CCFSC fund is individually tracked and accounted for while benefitting from the collective investment pool to lower costs and optimize efficiency.

Donors may continue to donate to the endowments created by the BCC to provide for even greater growth and stronger future support. The CCFSC also offers **other giving opportunities** to individual parish and Catholic school endowment and restricted funds, as well as the ability to **create your own endowment** or restricted fund for a Catholic beneficiary in South Carolina.

ABOUT THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Catholic Community Foundation of South Carolina, while separate and distinct from the diocese, provides for the long-term financial support of the Catholic Church across the state.

The Foundation offers an organized and thoughtful way for donors to support parishes, schools, and ministries to ensure the longevity of the Catholic institutions and missions throughout South Carolina.

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supporting the
Church in South
Carolina!*



7 BCC ESTABLISHES ENDOWMENT FUNDS

- **SEMINARIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT**

Provides long-term funding to supplement tuition and academic expenses, cost of living, immersion programs, and pastoral experiences forming seminarians for priesthood in our diocese.

- **ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI OUTREACH ENDOWMENT**

Supports Catholic social teaching projects that promote life, dignity of all people, the family, the poor and vulnerable, the right to work, and the care of God's creation. The CCFSC awards annual grants to selected applicants that may include parishes, diocesan Catholic schools, Chancery-level ministries, and other diocese-affiliated missions, to include but not limited to Catholic Charities of South Carolina and St. Clare's Home.

- **GROWING WITH THE GOSPEL ENDOWMENT**

Promotes faith formation in young adults throughout South Carolina, to include family ministries, college campus ministries, and ministry for those with special needs. The CCFSC awards annual grants to selected applicants that may include chancery-level ministries, parishes, and South Carolina college campus ministries.

- **HISPANIC MINISTRY ENDOWMENT**

Ensures annual distribution to the Office of Hispanic Ministry for programs, training for pastors, and other events and education at the parish and chancery levels to assist in integrating the growing Hispanic community within the diocese.

- **FAITH AND FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY ENDOWMENT**

Serves Catholic schools and parishes across the diocese in projects that provide updates to technology, structure, or environmental measures for facilities to stay up to date and ready for the future. The CCFSC awards annual grants to selected parish and school applicants.

- **DIACONATE AND LAY LEADERSHIP ENDOWMENT**

Ensures an annual distribution to the diocese for professional development and support of the Diaconate and spiritual director training.

- **ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON ENDOWMENT**

Provides annual tuition assistance to students in financial need to attend Catholic elementary and middle schools in the diocese.



SEE THE REAL IMPACTS

of the Bicentennial Campaign on your community

ST. ANDREW CHURCH *Myrtle Beach*

St. Andrew Church embraced the Bicentennial Capital Campaign as an opportunity to completely renovate the church.

After celebrating Mass in the gym for 11 months, the church opened with a beautiful new interior that included new sanctuary furnishings, pews, and lights for the nave. The renovations also allowed for improvements to plumbing, electrical and HVAC systems.

The BCC provided the means for a wonderfully successful renovation and produced a church of exceptional beauty and peace.



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH *Lancaster*

In Lancaster, St. Catherine of Siena put their proceeds from the Bicentennial Campaign to use for much needed repairs and upgrades to the buildings on its parish campus.

The generosity of parishioners' support allowed St. Catherine to repair or replace plumbing in all buildings, install crucial vapor barriers under the buildings to include the rectory, and to install a security system throughout the campus.

With these facility upgrades, the church is poised to serve its parishioners now and well into the future with a new and sustainable campus!



ST. PETER CHURCH

Beaufort

St. Peter raised funds through the BCC to purchase a building for Lowcountry Outreach, a beloved, important parish ministry. With renovations complete, the outreach is on target to serve almost 6,000 neighbors annually! This ministry connects St. Peter to the community by bringing together free, key services for those in need and coordinating area nonprofits. Lowcountry Outreach offers tutoring, provides transportation to medical appointments, and helps find stable housing for people experiencing homelessness. The Bicentennial Campaign provided great fruit for St. Peter to bring parishioners and community together to serve their neighbors.



ST. MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Charleston



St. Mary of the Annunciation Church in Charleston is the mother church of Catholicism in the Carolinas and Georgia. The parish began an extensive renovation of its circa 1839 campus, including the parish hall, sanctuary paintings, sacristy, and cemetery.

The hall was transformed from a warren of small dark rooms to a center that is safe and welcoming. The parish is grateful for the support of the Bicentennial Campaign and the many visitors who come to worship.

OUR FINAL RESULTS

PARISH	TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED	AMOUNT TO PARISH	AMOUNT TO CCFSC
All Saints Church, Lake Wylie	\$213,413.65	\$106,706.83	\$106,706.83
Basilica of St. Peter, Columbia	\$1,151,320.00	\$575,660.00	\$575,660.00
Blessed Sacrament Church, Charleston	\$361,032.15	\$180,516.08	\$180,516.08
Blessed Trinity Church, Greer	\$301,799.19	\$166,799.19	\$135,000.00
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Charleston	\$1,806,703.11	\$1,806,703.11	—
Christ Our King Church, Mount Pleasant	\$4,003,127.02	\$2,934,377.02	\$1,068,750.00
Church of the Infant Jesus Mission, Marion	\$58,184.00	\$31,138.00	\$27,046.00
Church of the Resurrection Mission, Loris	\$82,149.46	\$41,074.73	\$41,074.73
Corpus Christi Church, Lexington	\$640,446.17	\$320,223.09	\$320,223.09
Divine Redeemer Church, Hanahan	\$254,563.50	\$127,281.75	\$127,281.75
Divine Saviour Church, York	\$97,315.00	\$48,657.50	\$48,657.50
Good Shepherd Church, McCormick	\$237,600.00	\$123,200.00	\$114,400.00
Holy Cross Church, Pickens	\$92,479.00	\$46,239.50	\$46,239.50
Holy Cross Mission, St. Helena Island	\$37,100.00	\$18,550.00	\$18,550.00
Holy Family Church, Hilton Head	\$668,705.23	\$334,352.62	\$334,352.62
Holy Spirit Mission, Laurens	\$88,670.00	\$46,502.50	\$42,167.50
Holy Spirit Church, Johns Island	\$867,837.78	\$490,962.78	\$376,875.00
Holy Trinity Church, Orangeburg	\$494,562.00	\$372,281.00	\$122,281.00
Immaculate Conception Church, Goose Creek	\$304,649.18	\$152,324.59	\$152,324.59
Jesus Our Risen Savior Church, Spartanburg	\$842,466.00	\$421,233.00	\$421,233.00
Church of the Nativity, Charleston	\$230,449.11	\$115,224.56	\$115,224.56
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Folly Beach	\$77,131.00	\$38,565.50	\$38,565.50
Our Lady of Grace Church, Lancaster	\$403,000.00	\$201,500.00	\$201,500.00
Our Lady of La Vang Church, Greenville	\$100,200.00	\$50,100.00	\$50,100.00
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Greenwood	\$2,097,955.79	\$1,682,517.12	\$415,438.67
Our Lady of Peace Church, North Augusta	\$443,494.85	\$221,747.43	\$221,747.43
Our Lady of Peace Mission, Bonneau	\$26,810.00	\$13,405.00	\$13,405.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Camden	\$148,688.12	\$74,344.06	\$74,344.06
Our Lady of the Hills Church, Columbia	\$1,394,983.91	\$756,237.93	\$638,745.98
Our Lady of the Lake Church, Chapin	\$819,117.45	\$444,338.09	\$374,779.36
Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Greenville	\$188,799.47	\$94,399.74	\$94,399.74
Our Lady of the Valley Church, Gloverville	\$18,910.55	\$9,455.28	\$9,455.28
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, North Myrtle Beach	\$1,262,957.39	\$632,218.04	\$630,739.35

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Precious Blood of Christ Church, Pawleys Island	\$1,713,574.96	\$1,235,449.96	\$478,125.00
Prince of Peace Church, Taylors	\$674,863.68	\$337,431.84	\$337,431.84
Sacred Heart Church, Abbeville	\$82,240.00	\$48,490.00	\$33,750.00
Sacred Heart Church, Charleston	\$143,610.00	\$71,805.00	\$71,805.00
Sacred Heart Church, Gaffney	\$170,222.00	\$85,111.00	\$85,111.00
St. Clare of Assisi Church, Daniel Island	\$145,914.13	\$72,957.07	\$72,957.07
San Sebastian Church, Greenville	\$681,438.00	\$523,938.00	\$157,500.00
St. Andrew Church, Barnwell	\$45,050.00	\$22,525.00	\$22,525.00
St. Andrew Church, Clemson	\$660,840.00	\$330,420.00	\$330,420.00
St. Andrew Church, Myrtle Beach	\$1,891,337.78	\$1,210,712.78	\$680,625.00
St. Ann Church, Florence	\$212,097.00	\$106,048.50	\$106,048.50
St. Ann Church, Kingstree	\$2,264.00	\$1,132.00	\$1,132.00
St. Ann Church, Santee	\$120,570.00	\$65,427.50	\$55,142.50
St. Anne Church, Rock Hill	\$300,128.75	\$150,064.38	\$150,064.38
St. Anne & St. Jude Church, Sumter	\$2,099,730.68	\$1,733,578.76	\$366,151.92
St. Anthony Church, Florence	\$331,438.50	\$165,719.25	\$165,719.25
St. Anthony Church, Ridgeland	\$169,529.05	\$107,654.05	\$61,875.00
St. Anthony Church, Walterboro	\$117,594.00	\$58,797.00	\$58,797.00
St. Anthony Mission, Hardeeville	\$157,338.37	\$78,669.19	\$78,669.19
St. Anthony of Padua Church, Greenville	\$1,361,279.60	\$680,639.80	\$680,639.80
St. Augustine Church, Union	\$14,939.99	\$7,470.00	\$7,470.00
St. Benedict Church, Mount Pleasant	\$1,007,040.80	\$515,280.60	\$491,760.20
St. Boniface Church, Joanna	\$38,363.31	\$19,181.66	\$19,181.66
St. Catherine of Siena Church, Lancaster	\$117,292.50	\$58,646.25	\$58,646.25
St. Denis Mission, Bennettsville	\$28,734.88	\$14,367.44	\$14,367.44
St. Edward Church, Murphy Village	\$72,039.00	\$36,019.50	\$36,019.50
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Simpsonville	\$237,176.00	\$118,588.00	\$118,588.00

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St. Ernest Mission, Pageland	\$4,627.00	\$2,313.50	\$2,313.50
St. Francis by the Sea Church, Hilton Head	\$1,981,116.76	\$1,003,337.57	\$977,779.19
St. Francis Mission, Walhalla	\$80,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
St. Gerard Church, Aiken	\$126,965.00	\$63,482.50	\$63,482.50
St. Gregory the Great Church, Bluffton	\$3,067,654.25	\$1,858,279.25	\$1,209,375.00
St. James the Greater Mission, Walterboro	\$31,109.00	\$15,831.75	\$15,277.25
St. James the Younger Church, Conway	\$472,657.88	\$236,328.94	\$236,328.94
St. John Neumann Church, Columbia	\$1,212,000.00	\$606,000.00	\$606,000.00
St. John of the Cross Church, Batesburg	\$108,189.92	\$56,142.44	\$52,047.48
St. John the Beloved Church, Summerville	\$1,095,964.20	\$547,982.10	\$547,982.10
St. John Church, North Charleston	\$304,200.00	\$197,325.00	\$106,875.00
St. Joseph Mission, Darlington	\$22,305.00	\$1,441.50	\$20,863.50
St. Joseph Church, Anderson	\$622,803.95	\$322,102.96	\$300,700.99
St. Joseph Church, Charleston	\$542,405.42	\$281,804.07	\$260,601.36
St. Joseph Church, Chester	\$12,660.00	\$6,330.00	\$6,330.00
St. Joseph Church, Columbia	\$1,538,148.98	\$771,111.74	\$767,037.25
St. Louis Church, Dillon	\$48,477.33	\$24,238.67	\$24,238.67
St. Luke Mission, Easley	\$64,500.30	\$32,250.15	\$32,250.15
St. Mark Church, Newberry	\$67,740.00	\$33,870.00	\$33,870.00
St. Martin de Porres Church, Columbia	\$374,901.66	\$196,176.25	\$178,725.42
St. Mary Help of Christians Church, Aiken	\$1,619,141.43	\$809,570.72	\$809,570.72
St. Mary Magdalene Church, Simpsonville	\$1,315,241.28	\$657,620.64	\$657,620.64
St. Mary Mission, Allendale	\$13,844.00	\$6,922.00	\$6,922.00
St. Mary Mission, Hampton	\$28,407.00	\$14,203.50	\$14,203.50
St. Mary of Angels Church, Anderson	\$249,675.54	\$137,256.66	\$112,418.89
St. Mary of the Annunciation Church, Charleston	\$3,062,063.88	\$3,062,063.88	—
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, Edgefield	\$38,857.00	\$19,428.50	\$19,428.50

Parish	Total Amount Raised	Amount to Parish	Amount to CCFSC
St. Mary, Our Lady of Hope Church, Summerton	\$133,065.00	\$66,532.50	\$66,532.50
St. Mary, the Virgin Mother Church, Hartsville	\$96,711.60	\$256.74	\$96,454.86
St. Mary, Our Lady of Ransom Church, Georgetown	\$551,351.59	\$382,601.59	\$168,750.00
St. Mary Church, Greenville	\$1,711,647.60	\$855,823.80	\$855,823.80
St. Mary Church, Rock Hill	\$17,875.00	\$8,937.50	\$8,937.50
St. Mary Church, Yorges Island	\$100,110.00	\$50,055.00	\$50,055.00
St. Michael Mission, Great Falls	\$5,695.21	\$2,847.61	\$2,847.61
St. Michael the Archangel Church, Garden City	\$1,998,615.42	\$1,058,961.57	\$939,653.86
St. Patrick Mission, Johnsonville	\$5,350.00	\$2,675.00	\$2,675.00
St. Patrick Church, Charleston	\$595,683.92	\$410,058.92	\$185,625.00
St. Paul the Apostle Church, Seneca	\$990,000.00	\$495,000.00	\$495,000.00
St. Paul the Apostle Church, Spartanburg	\$1,551,874.12	\$1,090,624.12	\$461,250.00
St. Peter Church, Beaufort	\$2,601,196.79	\$1,920,571.79	\$680,625.00
St. Peter Church, Cheraw	\$53,986.00	\$26,993.00	\$26,993.00
St. Philip Benizi Church, Moncks Corner	\$139,764.00	\$69,882.00	\$69,882.00
St. Philip Neri Church, Fort Mill	\$1,781,882.00	\$890,941.00	\$890,941.00
St. Philip the Apostle Church, Lake City	\$37,952.75	\$18,976.38	\$18,976.38
St. Theresa Mission, Springfield	\$91,044.43	\$62,919.43	\$28,125.00
St. Theresa the Little Flower Church, Summerville	\$186,869.33	\$93,434.67	\$93,434.67
St. Theresa Church, Winnsboro	\$37,660.00	\$20,785.00	\$16,875.00
St. Thomas More Church, Columbia	\$398,024.54	\$223,649.54	\$174,375.00
St. Thomas the Apostle Church, North Charleston	\$189,365.71	\$94,682.86	\$94,682.86
St. William Church, Ward	\$11,692.50	\$5,846.25	\$5,846.25
Stella Maris Church, Sullivans Island	\$1,287,601.11	\$924,800.89	\$362,800.89
Sts. Frederick & Stephen Mission, Edisto Island	\$70,009.82	\$35,004.91	\$35,004.91
Transfiguration Church, Blythewood	\$1,154,173.01	\$901,048.01	\$253,125.00
Bishop’s Leadership Gifts	\$1,618,544.14	—	\$1,618,544.14
Miscellaneous	\$40,852.27	—	\$40,852.27



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