



Strengthening Parishes - \$39 million

Parish Expansion and Construction—\$10 million

Much of the recent population growth is concentrated along the Interstate 35 corridor, stretching the parishes in the area beyond their physical and ministerial capacity. Knowing this is a reality we will continue to face for years to come, the diocese will reserve \$10 million of the overall goal to support the expansion of current parishes to accommodate new membership and ministries, with a portion to be set aside for the construction of new parishes in the future.

Rural Parishes - \$3 million

Eighty of our 123 parishes and missions are located in rural areas and have less than a thousand families per parish. Although they have not experienced the same growth as other areas, our rural parishes must remain open to serve the faithful of the area. For these parishes, emergency costs can be too great for the parish to bear. *Encountering Christ* will allocate \$3 million to create a designated fund to provide additional operational and emergency support.

Local Needs - \$22.5 million

Every parish experiences unique challenges and opportunities. Through capital, operational and ministerial improvements, parishes will ensure they can continue to carry out Christ's mission. Through the *Encountering Christ* campaign, each parish will retain 30 percent of funds it raises up to its campaign goal for local parish ministry and facility priorities. In addition, parishes will retain 70 percent of funds raised over their goal.