



Saint Paul the Apostle Parish
Horseshoe Bay, Texas
June 22, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

We have exceeded our Encountering Christ Campaign goal!!! Congratulations and a very big THANK YOU for your generosity and a job well done. I want to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed in prayer and/or financial contribution to our campaign. We have raised pledges totaling \$607,272 and our goal was \$545,000. Of this amount our Parish will receive \$207,090 over the pledge period of 5 years which we will use for debt reduction and Narthex expansion. These are truly exceptional and inspiring results.

As you know our diocese has seen many changes over the last 70 years. In the last dozen years alone, the number of Catholics in our area has grown by more than 25 percent. This campaign continues to address the challenges and opportunities these changes have created so that we ensure a robust and vibrant future for ALL of our Church. As Catholics we are responsible for “one, holy, catholic and apostolic church” wherever that church might be. All members of our diocese are invited to a deeper encounter with Jesus Christ, leading to renewal and transformation of ourselves, our homes, our ministries and our community.

As we stated when our campaign began, our contributions will be used for: 1) Strengthening Parishes, 2) Emerging Disciples, 3) Embracing Discipleship and 4) Supporting Our Clergy. All these critical needs will benefit from your efforts.

It is hard to believe that we initiated work on this campaign last September with our Parish leadership. Much work has been conducted behind the scenes to get us to this successful conclusion. I thank them as well for their fine work. I am sure the Holy Spirit guided them in their efforts.

Again, I want to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed in prayer and/or financial contribution to our campaign. This will bring a formal conclusion to our campaign efforts. If you have not yet made a pledge and would like to pledge, please fill out a pledge card and place in the offering or return it to the office. We receive 70 percent of each new pledge since we have surpassed our goal.

The Holy Spirit has ignited the miracle of community that brings us together and heals us. I continue pray that the Holy Spirit blesses you and your loved ones, brings healing to those of us in need and fills our hearts with compassion, mercy and love.

Father Ruben