



St. Patrick's Church
CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon, you should receive an invitation from Bishop LaValley to attend a reception inaugurating the *It's Our Church, It's Our Future* Capital Campaign taking place throughout the Diocese of Ogdensburg. As your Pastor, I urge you to make every effort to attend this reception and learn more about this endeavor.

The receptions will be held on the following dates and times at their respective locations:

- **Tuesday, September 25th at 10:00am**
Reception to be held in St. Patrick's Parish Hall
- **Tuesday, September 25th at 7:00pm**
Reception to be held in St. Patrick's Parish Center
- **Wednesday, September 26th at 7:00pm**
Reception to be held in St. Patrick's Parish Center

Please RSVP to the parish office, to enable us to prepare for the appropriate number of guests.

We are in a challenging and exciting period in our history as a Diocese and have an opportunity to take an active role in propagating our Catholic faith and leaving a legacy for the faithful that follow. Members of our parish will also present how this tremendous project will directly benefit our own parish.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to being with you at one of our informational campaign receptions.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Clyde Lewis
Pastor

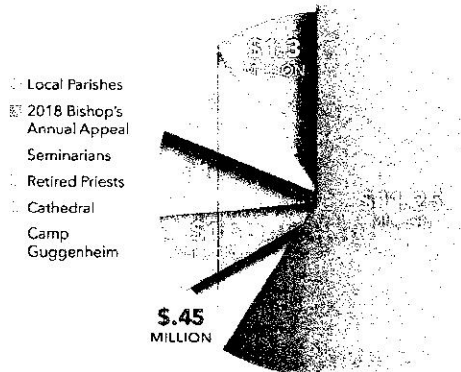


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It's Our Church, It's Our Future Begins!

All parishes in the Diocese of Ogdensburg are joining together to support the *It's Our Church, It's Our Future* Capital Campaign. The campaign seeks to raise \$16 million over the next 4 years to prepare our faith family for the future. **At its heart, this campaign is about supporting our parishes, our future priests, our retired priests, our Cathedral, Camp Guggenheim and the 2018 Bishop's Fund Appeal.** The \$16 million will be used for the following purposes:



In the coming weeks, our Campaign Leadership Team will be providing more information about the campaign and details about each of its purposes. Their goal is to make sure every parishioner knows what this campaign is about and how we are being called to participate.

Please take the time during the next few weeks to learn more about the campaign and the needs we will address together.

Campaign Kick-off!

As you have probably already heard, Bishop LaValley has announced plans to address future needs across the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

This has led us to kick-off of the *It's Our Church, It's Our Future* Capital Campaign. The funds raised from this Diocesan-wide effort will help us address the many **Parish Needs** we have here at our parish, **Our Seminarians:** developing and education of our future priests, **Our Retired Priests:** cover out of pocket medical expense, **Our Cathedral:** preservation and maintenance and **Camp Guggenheim:** upgrades and improvements to the facilities. In addition, this campaign will fund the **2018 Bishop's Fund Appeal** and provide millions in funding to our local parishes and missions across the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

This project is a tremendous undertaking, and it is important that *everyone* is well informed. Over the next month, we will be hosting a series of informative receptions here at our parish. As the campaign progresses, each of you will receive an invitation. These receptions will be an opportunity for fellowship with each other and to ask any questions you might have.

For now, you can help us most by praying daily for the success of the *It's Our Church, It's Our Future* Capital Campaign. Pray that we will be successful on a Diocesan level as well as right here in our parish. We will be sharing more information through the mail, from the pulpit, and in the bulletin in the weeks to come.

Thank you for your prayers and support.