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CHARLOTTE

- **Outreach to people in need (\$42 million):** The challenge earmarks \$29 million for the diocese's Catholic Charities agency, including \$19 million to expand "its physical presence and the reach of its life-changing programs in communities where demand continues to grow." The remaining \$10 million for Catholic Charities will be set aside in an endowment to help sustain and grow its programs. This pillar also designates \$13 million for under-resourced parishes for urgent needs or chronic challenges.
- **Strengthen faith communities (\$63 million):** This pillar allocates \$50 million to support parishes. Money will go toward construction, repairs and expansion projects to help to meet growing demand for worship and education space. Some funding will be set aside in endowments to generate revenue for ongoing program support. This pillar also designates \$5 million to support Campus Ministry, and \$8 million for strategic land purchases for future growth.
- **Secure the Church's future (\$45 million):** With enrollment in Catholic schools up 20% over the past five years, this pillar allocates \$20 million for endowments that will generate funding for financial aid, teacher training and enhanced learning environments. It also designates \$10 million for more lay leader and catechist training, and \$3 million for formation of seminarians and deacon candidates. And \$12 million will go to expand the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory as a retreat center for parishes and groups.

Every parish and mission will benefit from this diocese-wide effort, with parishes keeping 50% of the funds they raise for local capital projects, ministry needs and endowments. Parishes that hit certain stretch goals will also retain 100% of any additional funds.



We're looking for helping hands and willing hearts to serve in our church community! Whether you have a little time or a lot, there's a place for you.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

WEEKDAY LECTORS

GREETERS

ALTAR SERVERS

CHOIR MEMBERS

MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND

Serving is a wonderful way to connect, grow, and make a meaningful impact. Sign up today or call the church office for more details. We'd love to have you be part of the team!

CAN YOU HELP US CONTINUE OUR DONUT SUNDAYS?

We will have donuts, coffee and fellowship outside after all 10 am Masses this summer! **How can you help? Volunteers are needed** to host each week, everything you need will be provided for you! It's an excellent way to meet others in our Parish and welcome visitors to our Church! Sign-up and instruction sheets will be in the Vestibule.

OCIA starts Friday, August 14th at 3:00 pm in the Parish Office-
We will have our introductions and will be featuring a tour of the Church and the purpose of the different items.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PARISH PICNIC
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH
2:00 – 4:00 PM
(More information to come!)**