



Rooted in Faith – Forward in Hope

Strengthening the Catholic
Church in Northeast Ohio

Parish Goal:
\$231,000

Raised to Date:
\$144,095

Number of Gifts:
32

Average Gift:
\$4,503

Percent of Goal:
62%

**Number of Registered
Households:**
493

**Percent of Parish
Pledged:**
1%

We need the help of every family to make this effort a success! Please join us at our next phone-a-thon on **Tuesday, March 20 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Church Hall.**

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Over the past two and a half years, Catholic leaders, Bishop Lennon, priests, and parishioners have worked together to detail a vision for our Church in the future. After careful study, numerous conversations, and a full year of advisory work from both laity and pastors, a plan has emerged to ensure a strong and vibrant Church into the future. Each parish has local needs, and as a church we must also share our faith through communications and evangelization, grow in our faith through faith formation programs, care for our retired priests, support our seminarians, and care for the less fortunate.

In order to continue our success in these ministries, all parishes are participating in a historic initiative, ***Rooted in Faith – Forward in Hope***. This initiative seeks to raise a total of \$125 million to meet the needs of today and provide for tomorrow. Please pray for the success of the campaign in our parish and throughout Northeast Ohio.

Local Benefit for Mother of Sorrows

Our parish is of vital importance to our life of faith; it is where we come to worship, celebrate, receive the sacraments, and hear the Word. Mother of Sorrows Parish strives to effectively minister to those entrusted to our care, and to pass on a strong and vibrant Church to future generations. To accomplish this, we are participating in the ***Rooted in Faith – Forward in Hope*** effort.

This very important effort will enable us to address our own parish needs, as well as benefit from the other ministries and programs funded through the project. Our target goal for this initiative is \$231,000. Mother of Sorrows Parish will receive 30% of the funds raised up to our target *and 70% of campaign funds raised above this goal*. I am happy to share that we have already raised 62% of our campaign goal!

Through the funds made available to Mother of Sorrows Parish from this initiative, it is our intention to make much needed capital improvements to our facilities, such as painting the exterior of the church and the church hall, repairing our walkways and sidewalks, and adding a meeting room.

It will take many hands and many households to make these dreams a reality for the future. We can become the shining light that Jesus spoke of in Matthew's Gospel; a light for all to see and a spiritual home for future generations. Your strong support of this project will benefit our local church and our Catholic community throughout the Diocese.

Thank you for your support.

Rev. John Terzano