

### **Holy Apostles Catholic Parish**

New Berlin, WI

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Holy Apostles Catholic Parish is participating in Wave 3 of the Love One Another Campaign. God's guidance and unconditional love have helped us navigate recent challenges and we remain a vibrant faith community here in New Berlin.

I am fully supportive of this campaign in which 60 percent of what we raise will go toward meeting our own parish needs. The remaining funds will support new and expanded efforts focusing on Catholic Charities for the poor and those in need, Saint Francis de Sales Seminary, priest's retirement, and vital ministries throughout the 10 counties of southeastern Wisconsin.

Your pledge will make a significant impact within our parish, the Church, and the community. Please take a moment to review the impact of the Love One Another Campaign at Holy Apostles. I hope you embrace this wonderful opportunity and I ask you to pray for the success of the Love One Another Campaign.

With prayers,

Father Arulananthan Ponnaiyan

Pastor

### Our Parish Roots:

Holy Apostles Catholic Parish has deep roots of faith dating back to 1855 as a little country church. The parish provided for the faith of a rural people and a resting place for them to await the resurrection. The farms have been replaced with subdivisions and the City of New Berlin has grown up around



us, but we remain as a place for God's people to gather. Since our beginning, people have come together to pray, to develop relationships with other Catholics, and to serve the Church and the local community.

Holy Apostles School opened in 1893 with 35 students in a 2-room schoolhouse. Over 125 years later, it continues the rich history of academic excellence and faith-based education and enrolls over 400 students today.

We celebrate the more than 2,100 families who are the Holy Apostles community and their generosity and acknowledge our gratitude for all those who have come before us. Holy Apostles is a visible presence of Christ in our community. Our welcoming environment and hospitality continue to grow our mission of forming disciples who will grow in their love of God and others to transform our world.

#### **OUR SHARE**

THROUGH MUCH PRAYER, PLANNING, AND CONVERSATION, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED OUR GREATEST NEEDS AND INITIATIVES TO STRENGTHEN OUR MISSION AND VISION FOR YEARS TO COME. OUR SHARE OF THE FUNDS RAISED WILL BE USED FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PARISH AND SCHOOL, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT INITIATIVES, EVANGELIZATION AND OUTREACH, AND CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME.

#### Our Needs

#### 1 YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT INITIATIVES \$200,000

Investing in the future generations at Holy Apostles is vital to sustaining our Catholic mission. We know a strong faith journey begins in relationship with others and most importantly with Jesus. Funds will be used for:

- Leadership development curriculum
- Enhanced meeting spaces for young adults
- Technology to improve communication
- Organized events which build relationships through socials, sacraments, and service

# BUILDINGS & GROUNDS UPDATES \$1,233,792

To continue being good stewards of the gifts we have received to provide a home that promotes learning and spiritual growth, these funds will be used to make our parish more accessible and energy efficient including:

- Renovating school bathrooms for ADA compliance
- Replacing classroom windows which are over 50 years old to improve temperature control
- Embracing Pope Francis' Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home to focus on making our facilities more ecologically friendly

## 3 EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH \$200,000

The mission of Holy Apostles and the Catholic Church is to form disciples. As a parish, we need to be an example of reaching out to those in need and providing ways to encounter Christ. Funds will be allocated to expand our evangelization initiatives and provide support to partners including:

- The MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary
- Capuchin Community Center House of Peace
- New Berlin Food Pantry
- All Saints Parish
- La Sagrada Familia
- New community partners that focus on the last, the lost, the least and the lonely



Parish Goal \$2,722,986

Parish Share \$1,633,792



The Love One Another Campaign covers extraordinary parish and archdiocesan needs not met through the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. All contributions will be received by the *Love One Another Trust* for the use and purposes set forth in the Love One Another Campaign and for no other purposes.