



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
Catholic Church

Grow. Lead. Share.



*"I live, no longer I,
but it is Christ who lives in me."
— Galatians 2:20*

Our Campaign...



Rev. Karl Bergin, Parochial Administrator

In 2005 our diocese responded to the challenges of ongoing growth by conducting a comprehensive planning session known as a synod. During this historic effort, Catholics throughout Central Florida - including members of our own parish - examined the most pressing issues facing our local Church and prayerfully considered how we, as disciples of Jesus Christ, might better serve the Lord and one another.

Across the nine counties of our diocese, God's people are now making these dreams a reality through *Alive in Christ*, our first diocesan-wide capital campaign. *Alive in Christ* will address a wide range of spiritual, educational and social needs

within the broader community while nourishing the continued growth and development of our own parish. To date, more than 60 parishes have participated in the *Alive in Christ* Campaign, and together they have raised over \$110 million to sustain and strengthen the important work of our Church.

Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, we are ready to play our role in the success of *Alive in Christ*. While the state of the economy is uncertain, we know that one thing is always certain: our world needs the love and mercy of Christ made visible through us. The decisions we make today will shape the future of our parish and breathe new life into our shared mission: *to spread the good news of Jesus Christ throughout our parish and community.*



Our Need...

The Lord calls us to **Grow, Lead** and **Share** our living faith. We have a great opportunity to answer His call by addressing the most important needs of our parish:

Our parish is truly our spiritual home – a welcoming sanctuary where God’s people come together to worship, pray, teach and serve. **A gathering area adjacent to our worship space** will help our parish to **GROW** in faith and unity as we carry the love of Christ beyond our church walls.

In addition, it is important that we set funds aside for the purpose of **reducing our existing debt**. Repaying these outstanding loans will enhance our financial strength and prepare us for continued growth.

Our needs also include our parish school, which nurtures the faith and intellect of our young people and prepares them to **LEAD** with courage and vision. The electric wiring in our school buildings has not been updated since their initial construction more than 50 years ago. **Bringing these facilities up to date** will affirm our school’s commitment to excellence and allow us to operate more sophisticated technology and equipment in the future.

Our parish campus is a blessing from the Lord and a gift that we **SHARE** with all people. **Updated landscaping and the addition of a new fence around**

our school will provide a safer and more prayerful setting for our parishioners, our students, and all who join us on this holy ground.



Our Plan...

Through *Alive in Christ* we plan to:

- **Construct a gathering area adjacent to our worship space**
- **Update the electric wiring in our parish school**
- **Beautify the exterior of our parish campus**
- **Improve our landscaping**
- **Construct a new fence around the school**
- **Reduce our outstanding debt**

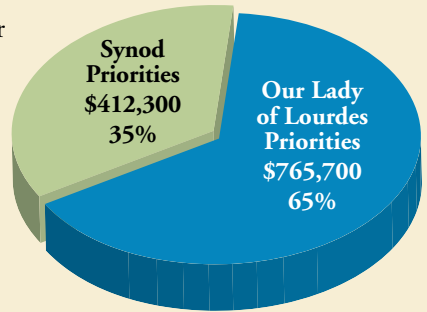
Alive in Christ will enable our parish to undertake these much-needed projects and improvements without relying on our faithfully-contributed offertory funds. Those funds can then be reserved for the day to day operation of our parish and ministries.



Our Goal...

Our *Alive in Christ* Campaign Goal is \$1,178,000.

Our goal of \$1,178,000 is equal to twice our annual offertory and is consistent with the formula applied in other parishes and missions throughout our Diocese. If we are blessed to raise this amount, *\$765,700, or 65%, will be used to improve our parish and school facilities and reduce our outstanding debt.*



In addition to funding our own projects, the campaign also enables us to assist our entire diocese in responding to the challenges of the modern secular world. As members of the Universal Church, we will contribute \$412,300, or 35%, to our diocese to help fund new projects that will benefit people and parishes across Central Florida.

For every dollar we raise over and above our campaign goal, 90% will remain with our parish to help fund our current priorities as well as future needs.

Alive in Christ provides a special moment in the life of our parish family and in the larger diocesan family to which we belong. Guided by the Holy Spirit, *Alive in Christ* is an important step in building a strong and vital Church for the future.



Our Diocese...

Throughout our landmark diocesan synod, more than 1,000 of Christ's faithful, both lay and clergy, gathered together to explore opportunities and to define a bold new vision for the Diocese of Orlando.

Central to this vision is a renewed commitment to **GROW, LEAD** and **SHARE** the treasure of our living faith. *Alive in Christ* will enable the Diocese of Orlando to live up to these commitments by building new parishes and schools, increasing the availability of tuition assistance, exploring new ways to recruit and train Church leaders, and expanding the wonderful work of Catholic Charities in our society. Together we will transform our Church and our communities for generations to come.

In Central Florida, our Church is Alive!

Our Diocesan Goal...

Total Goal: \$150 Million

Called to GROW...	Endowment	Capital
New Parishes and Missions	\$ 5,000,000	—
New Schools	—	\$ 4,000,000
Tuition Assistance	\$ 11,000,000	—
San Pedro Retreat Center	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Cathedral of St. James	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
Called to LEAD...	Endowment	Capital
Catholic Campus Ministry Center	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Recruiting & Forming Clergy/Lay Leaders	\$ 4,000,000	—
Called to SHARE...	Endowment	Capital
Catholic Charities of Central Florida	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 8,000,000
Catholic Foundation of Central Florida	\$ 8,000,000	—
Subtotals	\$35,000,000	\$25,000,000
	Endowment	Capital
Grand Totals	\$60,000,000	Diocese
	\$90,000,000	Parishes

Ways to Give...

Making a Pledge

Pledge payments can be scheduled at the discretion of the donor, to be paid on a monthly, quarterly, or yearly basis beginning at any time, throughout a 3-5 year period. All pledges, outright gifts of capital, Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Lead Trusts and other irrevocable planned gifts made to *Alive in Christ*, from the Fall of 2007 through the end of the campaign, will be counted in the final campaign total.



Gifts of Securities

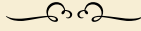
It is the policy of the Diocese of Orlando to sell all securities upon receipt to minimize the chances of having adverse market fluctuations affect the beneficial interest of your gift. Gifts in kind – real estate, insurance, closely held stock, art, and other tangibles – may be counted if they are sold and the proceeds revert to the diocese.

Bequests, Charitable Remainder Trusts, and Revocable Planned Gifts

While we will commemorate and record bequests, Charitable Remainder Trusts and other revocable planned gifts made to the diocese, they cannot be included in the campaign total precisely because of their revocable nature. Unrestricted bequests received during the course of the campaign may be counted towards the campaign at the diocese's discretion.

Gift Plans...

Total Commitment	5 Annual Payments	36 Monthly Payments	60 Monthly Payments
\$50,000	\$10,000	\$1,389	\$833
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$694	\$417
\$20,000	\$4,000	\$556	\$333
\$15,000	\$3,000	\$417	\$250
\$10,000	\$2,000	\$278	\$167
\$5,000	\$1,000	\$139	\$83
\$2,400	\$480	\$67	\$40
\$1,800	\$360	\$50	\$30



*Lord God, you appointed Paul your apostle to preach
the good news of salvation to the nations.*

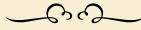
*May his example and prayers inspire the faithful
of our diocese to be more fully Alive in Christ.*

*Fill our hearts with the spirit of your charity
so that we may please you in our thoughts, words and deeds
and be witnesses to the hope that does not disappoint.*

*You have given each of us different gifts and made us your stewards
to generously share on earth the blessings we have received
through your goodness so that the world may believe.*

*May the prayers of St. Paul and all the saints be our
constant encouragement so that we may walk worthily
as disciples of your Son.*

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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