

Praised by Jesus Christ!

First, I would like to thank you for your faithful support of St. Mary Catholic Faith Community. Our church continues to be a place where faith is nurtured, sacraments are celebrated, and lives are touched by Christ's love. Because of your contributions, the mission of our parish continues to flourish. We began as "the church on the hill" where countless souls have encountered Christ throughout our 180-year history.

Now we are a parish of more than 9,000 registered individuals, and I see the Holy Spirit at work to deepen our outreach, strengthen our active ministries, and serve more families within our vibrant parish. However, the call to respond with care to today's economic realities continues. We must preserve the high quality of our mission together in Christ.

I am humbly asking you to prayerfully consider increasing your regular offertory gift.

I know this is a personal decision, and one that flows from a heart rooted in faith and gratitude. In the Gospel of John, Jesus reminds us: "*I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly*" (John 10:10). Your continued support brings abundant life to our parish, helping St. Mary in Hales Corners remain a welcoming and dynamic home for so many South Side Catholic families.

If it's possible for you to take the next step in your giving, your increased support would make a meaningful impact. I invite you to prayerfully consider revising your monthly giving pledge. One simple and convenient option is to set up an ACH withdrawal, using the form provided on the back of this page. Even a small increase helps ensure we can meet the needs of our parish and plan with confidence for the future.

Please know how deeply grateful I am for all you do to help our parish thrive. Without you, the vitality of our parish life and mission would not be possible. Your faith and generosity ensures that our community remains strong, welcoming and centered in Christ.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Rev. Aaron R. Laskiewicz
Pastor

**PS: Enclosed is just one example of the ways our parish vitality makes a difference:
St. Mary Sister Parish in Haiti**