

St. Augustine Church Building Fund Commitment of Faith Survey **April 14, 2024**

Dear Beloved Parishioners of St. Augustine,

In the spirit of Christ's boundless love and unity, we find ourselves at a significant moment in our shared journey as a parish. Together, we are blessed with the opportunity to build a new church and hall – a testament to our shared faith and commitment to our community.

The St. Augustine church is more than bricks and mortar. It is a living embodiment of our faith, love, and generosity. It is our sanctuary where we gather to worship, celebrate, mourn, and seek comfort and guidance. It is a source of strength, inspiration, and spiritual nourishment. To continue to fulfill this role in the years to come, we humbly seek your support.

Your contributions, guided by your means and the spirit of generosity that Christ teaches us, are essential in shaping a prosperous future for our St. Augustine church and our community. As 2 Corinthians 9:7 reminds us, "God loves a cheerful giver." Every contribution, no matter its size, brings us one step closer to our shared vision. As a guide, consider donating the equivalent of an hour's wage each week if you can.

By God's grace, we have already raised over \$2,440,000 for the building fund. Now, we seek to understand how much more we can gather over the next 1 to 5 years. Our mortgage will be over 10 years, and we are focusing on your financial commitment for up to 5 years, at this time. The amounts you indicate are not binding, but will help us establish a potential budget that our parish, based on the results of this survey, can realistically support.

We invite you to prayerfully consider how much you might contribute to the building fund over the next 5 years. To facilitate this, we have a three-step survey process which you can complete via Flocknote, a paper survey, or over the phone.

Remember that all donations qualify for charitable tax deductions and should be considered separate from the operational needs of the church, which continue to require support.

In the spirit of 2 Corinthians 9:11, "You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God". Let us join hands to make our cherished dream a reality.

May the love of God bless us all as we move forward, united in faith, hope, and love.

In Christ's Love,

Father Liju and Parish Council

Yes, I would like to commit to a non-binding donation! (Please know that this survey is specifically for the building fund.) Please print.

1. My name: _____

2. Amount of Donation: _____

3. Frequency of Donation: (please check one)

- a. Weekly _____
- b. Bi-weekly _____
- c. Monthly _____
- d. Yearly _____

4. Time Frame of Contribution: (please check one)

- a. One year _____
- b. Two years _____
- c. Three years _____
- d. Four years _____
- e. Five years _____

5. If you can support the church's mortgage past the initial 5 years, for the same donation and frequency indicated above, please check below:

6-10 years _____

To keep you updated on our progress, we kindly ask you to provide your current:

Contact email:

Phone Number:

Your replies are private and only approved persons will have access to this information.

We thank you sincerely for your commitment to our church!