

# The Living Stones Project Newsletter

Holy Innocents Parish

## *Over 40% of Goal*

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As of this week, we received an additional \$260,680 in pledges, for a combined gift intention amount of \$673,680 — which represents over 40% of our Project goal! We extend our deep gratitude to each parish family who responded to our appeal by supporting *The Living Stones Project*. One of the best ways to demonstrate our appreciation is to add our own gifts to what already has been given. Each family's decision to participate by returning their pledge cards—no matter if they pledge or not—is celebrated by adding their names to the stones surrounding us in the sanctuary. It is our desire to receive a

returned pledge card from every family by November 8<sup>th</sup>, Commitment Sunday. If you've attended a presentation already, please return your card in the offertory or by mail this week, or remember to bring it next Sunday. If you haven't attended a presentation yet, don't miss your chance to come downstairs after Mass for one of the two final sessions. For those of you who absolutely cannot attend a presentation, rest assured that a brochure packet will be mailed to you this week. We ask that you'd be preparing to make your decision and bring your card back to Mass for Commitment Sunday next week.

Volunteers are needed to help us mail out the remaining packets. If you're available to seal, stamp, and sort envelopes, please come by the office tomorrow morning, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 9:30 AM. There will also be a training session on Tuesday night at 7:00 in the Hall for volunteers who'd like to make reminder calls so that no one forgets to bring their pledge card back next week. If you want to help but can't attend, please contact the office and let them know so they can make other arrangements for you to help with the calls. Thank you very much!



**“But you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.”**

**1 Peter 2:5**

## Extending Your Previous Pledge?

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN A GIFT INTENTION CARD!** Many parishioners plan to extend pledges that were originally made many years ago during our previous Open Wide the Doors campaigns. If this is the case for you, it is very important that you

complete and return a new gift intention card to the parish office or in the offertory basket. The new gift intention card will assure that we have an accurate record of your giving intentions as well as an accurate accounting of our goal status for *The Living Stones Project*. If you have not yet received your brochure packet which contains a gift intention card, you can pick up your personalized packet which will be available following each

of our last two *Living Stones* presentations to be held after each Mass today. Both presentations will be held in the Parish Hall and your attendance would be appreciated. We are so very grateful for your generous and faithful support over the years. Thank you!