

YOUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT BENEFITS OUR COMMUNITY

Your contributions to the Rooted in Faith (RIF) campaign now total nearly \$37 million, and have already supported many worthy causes. Here is a sampling of the good work being done.

PARISH SHARING FUND ST. CLARE'S PARISH

The St. Clare Parish hall was moved from the University of Santa Clara to its present location around 1926. The hall was remodeled in the early 1950s and more recently in 2007. With an estate contribution, a kitchen remodel was just completed. However, even while some of the recent remodel included earthquake retrofit measures, the building still required completion of Diocesan-proposed earthquake retrofitting—particularly the roof structure and sheer wall. Proceeds from contributions made to the RIF campaign in the name of St. Clare Parish will fund these efforts so that the building will be safe for all to use.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES DAY BREAK III ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Funds from the campaign helped Catholic Charities open the Day Break III licensed Adult Day Care Center in Sunnyvale for seniors with memory loss, dementia, or Alzheimer's. One of the first participants was a retired woman who was caring for a husband with cancer and her father, who has Alzheimer's. She was worn out

and needed help, but she couldn't afford services for her father until she heard about Day Break. Three days a week, she gets a rest while Day Break provides her dad with loving attention, stimulating activities, and nutritious lunches.



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www.catholicfoundationscc.org

Dear Friends,

Six years ago we embarked upon a plan to renew our Church in Santa Clara County. In that plan, we challenged ourselves:

"Let us be a Church unafraid to dream."

Our dream was to lay a firm foundation for the future by strengthening our parishes, schools, clergy, lay leadership, youth and young adult ministry, Catholic Charities, and all of the works of social justice in this local Church. To help make those dreams into reality, we completed a capital campaign, Rooted in Faith, and established the Catholic Foundation of Santa Clara County to be careful stewards of the funds received.

I was moved and inspired by your response to the campaign, and your pledges gave me great hope that we can reach our goals. As you will see from this newsletter, the gifts you have already shared have begun to make a difference for many families, youth and young adults, and seniors in our community.

But there is still much to do to fulfill our dream of a stronger, more vibrant Catholic community that will inspire people to live the values taught by Jesus Christ. We ask that you continue your commitment to the campaign so that together, as one Church, we can become an even more active expression of God's love in our midst.

With every best wish and kind regard, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in red ink that reads "Patrick J. McGrath". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Patrick J. McGrath
BISHOP OF SAN JOSÉ

YOUR CAMPAIGN DOLLARS AT WORK

The Catholic Foundation has distributed nearly \$14 million of Rooted in Faith (RIF) contributions to date.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES \$3.38 MILLION

The funds went to Catholic Charities to fund many of their worthwhile programs and services that benefit more than 27,000 disadvantaged and vulnerable people in Silicon Valley every year.

PARISH SHARING FUND \$3.42 MILLION

Funds were used to support important work in parish communities.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ADA) \$5.25 MILLION

In 2007, the ADA was funded entirely from campaign dollars.

DEBT REDUCTION \$1.8 MILLION

Funding allows the Diocese to provide more flexible terms on loans to parishes and schools.

ADDITIONAL PLANNED 2008 FUND DISTRIBUTIONS

- Tuition assistance for families struggling to pay for Catholic education
- Financial support for seminarians training for the priesthood
- Funding for diaconate training and priests' retirement



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OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Catholic Foundation of Santa Clara County, I am pleased to introduce our first newsletter. We hope you will enjoy reading about the fruits of your generosity.

To date we have dispersed more than \$14 million, with more to be distributed before the end of the year. On this page you will see a summary of the organizations and programs that were funded during 2007 and 2008.

Many more disbursements are planned to pastoral and parish programs next year. Unfortunately, we are almost \$13 million behind in collections. Without your continued generosity many of these vital programs will not receive the funds that we, the entire Catholic community, have committed to them.

These may be difficult economic times for many in our Catholic community, but this is also a period of growth and opportunity for our Church. **We believe that when we look back on this time, we will feel blessed to have had the vision, energy, and generosity to take this journey together as Catholics.**

Now more than ever, your continued support and timely payments ensure the growth of the endowments benefiting our Catholic community.

Yours in Faith,

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PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
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OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY



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