DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church is participating in One Church, Many Disciples, along with every parish in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. This first major campaign will build a Shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, fund Cathedral renovations, support faith formation ministries, and strengthen local parishes. We join with faithful from across the archdiocese who are also helping to ensure our local Church is strong and vibrant for generations to come.

As an archdiocese, we form a faith community of 200,000 Catholics in central and western Oklahoma. We truly are One Church, Many Disciples! With the Beatification of Blessed Stanley Rother, each of us has the opportunity to share in his legacy. What an occasion to live Jesus’ call to missionary discipleship!

Please take a moment to review the impact One Church, Many Disciples will have on our parish. This campaign has my full support. As your Pastor, I hope you will embrace this opportunity here at Our Lady’s Cathedral.

Rev. John Metzinger, Rector

PARISH MISSION

The Cathedral parish assembles under the protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help seeking holiness and wisdom, proclaiming the Gospel of Salvation.

With generous hearts and a spirit of sacrifice, members of this parish renew themselves in worship, hospitality, and service, as the seat of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City.
CATHEDRAL CENTENNIAL

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish was founded in 1919 by the first Bishop of Oklahoma, Theophile Meerschaert. Monsignor Albert Monnot was appointed Pastor, January 16, 1919 to a parish covering eighty square miles that would serve the northwest expansion of Oklahoma City. In May of 1919, twelve men worked for two days to build a temporary wooden church building at our present location. The celebration of Mass began. A groundbreaking ceremony for a permanent Church school building was held the same year.

For 100 years God’s people have celebrated Mass on our parish site. Through our participation in the One Church, Many Disciples campaign, we will raise the funds necessary to renovate our beautiful Cathedral as we celebrate the Centennial of our parish.

Top: original design of the Cathedral

Bottom: artistic rendering of the completed renovations