DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Holy Spirit Catholic Church is participating in *One Church, Many Disciples*, along with every parish in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. This first ever major campaign will build a Shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, support faith formation ministries, and strengthen local parishes, including ours. 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, and I hope you will embrace this opportunity at Holy Spirit.

Reverend Joseph A. Jacobi, Pastor

OUR PARISH ROOTS

On June 15, 1983, Father Larry B. Gatlin was assigned by Archbishop Charles A. Salatka to become the first pastor of what was to become Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Mustang, Oklahoma.

At the beginning, Bill Merritt graciously offered the Chapel of Bill Merritt Funeral Home as a temporary place of worship. The first Masses were offered in the chapel on July 2 and 3, 1983. In March 1985, the members of Holy Spirit moved into a storefront in the Town and Country Shopping Center as another temporary site.

On November 24, 1985, the 300-seat church and parish center at 1100 N. Sara Road provided parish families a place to worship and grow as a Catholic faith community, until a more permanent and larger church could be built.

Reverend James A. Greiner was assigned pastor effective July 2, 1996. During his tenure, an additional parcel of roughly four and a half acres of land was purchased to provide sufficient space for the eventual expansion and completion of the parish complex. Father Greiner retired on January 15, 2014 after more than seventeen years service to Holy Spirit and Reverend Joseph Jacobi became the fourth pastor of Holy Spirit.
PARISH LIFE TODAY

Holy Spirit parish is bursting at the seams with growth. The church currently has more than 1,000 registered families who attend four weekend Masses in English and Spanish. While the current Parish Center only seats 300, the faith community continues to grow. Holy Spirit has become a home for Catholics in the City of Mustang, Canadian County and Oklahoma County with ministries for all ages, such as the Knights of Columbus, JOY (Just Older Youth), the Altar Society, Social Action Ministry, religious education, & the beloved Donut Ministry. There’s something for everyone at Holy Spirit Parish.

OUR CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION

We now have an opportunity to participate in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City’s first-ever major campaign, One Church, Many Disciples. This campaign will fund the building of a Shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, and other shared ministries. Through this campaign, Holy Spirit Catholic Church will raise significant funds towards the current needs of our beloved community. We are seeking five-year pledges toward our goal of $1,100,000. For every dollar raised, a portion will be returned to Holy Spirit. The more we raise toward our goal, the more we can accomplish. If we raise $1,100,000, then $386,000 will be returned to our parish.

OUR SHARE OF THE FUNDS

By participating in One Church, Many Disciples, we will contribute to the building of the new Shrine just as almost 200 donors from outside of our parish have contributed $769,000 to our new church. Our share of the campaign funds will help ensure a strong and lasting foundation for the church so that it serves our faith community now and for many future generations.

Holy Spirit families currently paying their pledges to the new church may defer starting payments toward One Church, Many Disciples until their new church pledges are paid or until 2021.

“The therefore, everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a sensible man who built his house on rock. Rain came down, floods rose, gales blew and hurled themselves against that house, and it did not fall: it was founded on rock.”

Matthew 7: 24-25