



DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

As an archdiocese, we form a faith community of 200,000 Catholics in central and western Oklahoma; we truly are *One Church, Many Disciples!* In this endeavor, 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. 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.

Through participating in this campaign, St. Joseph's parish will raise funds toward local needs of the faith community. We are seeking five-year pledges to achieve the parish campaign goal of \$20,000. St. Joseph's will receive 20% of all funds we raise up to the goal, totaling \$4,000; plus, 50% of every dollar raised above the goal.

Please take a moment to review the impact *One Church, Many Disciples* will have on our parish. This campaign has my full support and, as your pastor, I hope you will embrace this opportunity here at St. Joseph's Church.

Rev. Carl William Janocha



OUR SHARE OF THE FUNDS

Through the *One Church, Many Disciples* campaign, we will not only play a significant role in this historic moment in the Church's history, but we will use our share of the funds for church improvements including, re-cushioning kneelers as well as removing church carpeting and refinishing wood flooring. Any remaining funds will be used for ongoing maintenance and repairs.

OUR PARISH ROOTS

The original St. Joseph's Catholic Church was built in 1896. Bishop Meerschaert appointed Father Renier Sevens as first resident pastor in 1897, and the bishop dedicated the church on May 25, 1898. By 1900, Father Sevens was transferred to Ponca City and his successor served as the last resident pastor in Pond Creek. From 1904 to the present, Pond Creek has been a mission successively of Hennessey, of Enid, and currently of Medford. A new St. Joseph's was built in 1949.

