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FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

UPDATE 6

We are still accepting pledges to *Faith In Our Future*. Because we reached our archdiocesan goal of \$1.5 million, we now keep 80% of all funds raised, and share 20% with the FIOF Trust. This is a great incentive to make a gift NOW !

Some have asked why we cannot keep 100% of the monies we raise. "Keep it all !! It was ours to begin with." But doesn't that sound just a little selfish? The funds we share with the archdiocese are not "lost" to us because they do not go to our building project. They build up the church in our archdiocese. This was Archbishop Dolan's original intent. In fact, without the archdiocese, we could not exist. We are Catholics, not Congregationalists. We are a worldwide family of faith, and we willingly accept our ties to the wider church.

So as parish leaders, we want you to know that we actively support and affirm the portion of our funds, now only 20%, that goes to the FIOF Trust for use throughout the archdiocese.

As we mentioned last week, we are now 75% on the way towards our goal of reaching \$8 million dollars. This is something to be announced, shouted, rejoiced over, and celebrated. The 75% is not in cash in hand, but a combination of cash, pledges, and sale of land. We still need \$2+ million. We won't say only \$2 million, because 2 million is a very large amount. Just recently Archbishop ListECKI indicated a strong interest in helping us achieve this goal. He will be sending a letter in the mail and coming to Cedarburg in spring to rejuvenate our campaign for the last 2 million.

So keep up the prayers and conversation, and send us your ideas at office@saintfrancisborgia.org. If you would like to make a gift, but need special consideration, we would be happy to work with you.

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