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On the weekend of February 17-18, I spoke at all of the Masses regarding our forthcoming capital campaign, Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century. The Finance Council and campaign leadership team have invested many hours of planning and much prayer in preparation for this significant moment in the life of our parish.

Since the planning process began, I have received many gratifying and hopeful responses from parishioners supporting this decision. No one relishes a fund drive, but the ability to share our blessings to finish the work we started in 2000 is definitely a part of our mission as God's people.

Our continued growth in ministries has provided us with both challenges and opportunities. This campaign and the resumption of the Barn Sale will enable us to retire our debt and save approximately \$850,000 in interest payments. These saved revenues will inject monies back into our parish, allowing us the freedom to be more creative to meet our growing needs.

Not only is it our vision to be debt-free by our centennial, but we seek to establish a parish endowment with two accounts. One of these accounts will be designated for parish needs and the other for Catholic education. The creation of this endowment will secure our future into the next century. Shortly, you will receive a brochure explaining these projects in more detail. Thank you for taking the time to read this material.

We are a people in partnership! I ask you to personally take some steps to help us obtain our \$2.6 - \$3.2 million goal. First, pray for the success of our campaign. Second, join me in this ministry by becoming a campaign volunteer. Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century will involve personal visitations which, I believe, will further strengthen our parish as a faith community. Third, when a parishioner contacts you regarding this campaign please welcome them into your home. Remember that besides financial support, these volunteers are giving graciously of their time.

Soon a parishioner will contact you seeking your financial support for this parish campaign. I am praying that you will consider committing to a sacrificial pledge. I would not come to you asking such a commitment if I did not sincerely believe in the importance of this project to the long term vitality of our parish. Similarly, I would not ask you to do for your parish what I, myself, was unwilling to do for the success of Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century. When you are approached, please respond in a sacrificial way and timely fashion.

Thank you in advance for your generous response. Only with God's help and the spiritual support of St. Peter, our patron, will we complete this worthy task.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Msgr. Joe".

Rev. Msgr. Joseph F. Jarmoluk
Pastor

a community of faith, celebration and compassion
