



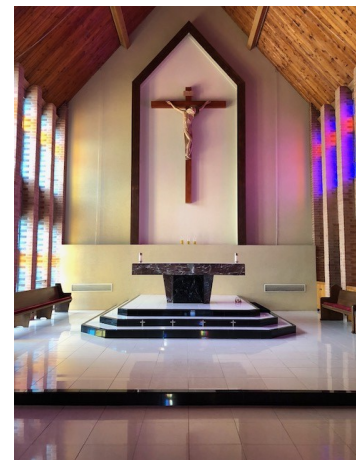
## DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary parish is participating in *One Church, Many Disciples*, along with every church 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 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 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 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This campaign has my full support and, as your pastor, I hope you will embrace this opportunity here at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Rev. Peter Jandaczek



## OUR PARISH ROOTS



Father Urban de Hasque, a Belgian priest out of Chickasha, offered Mass in Duncan, Rush Springs, and Marlow on a regular basis from 1901 to 1912. His first Mass in Duncan was on December 12, 1902 at the home of Mr. & Mrs. John Weaver on Beech Avenue. The first Sunday Mass was offered in October of 1905; in the room Mr. & Mrs. John O'Neill called the Chapel Room. Through the efforts of Mr. & Mrs. J.D. Wade, Dr. Kuery; Mr. O'Neill began the campaign to build a new church and promised \$500 upon completion of the church.

April 20, 1909, was the dedication of the New Church and Father Michael McManus was the resident pastor. The new Church was named in honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through the years there have been many changes at Assumption; with additions of a school, new church, new pastors, and added missions. For those of the parish family, the road from the beginning to the present has been long and sometimes hard, spanning a full century, but they rejoice in the present and remember the journey of faith that has gotten them to this point.



## PARISH LIFE TODAY

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Assumption parish today carries on this proud history by continuing to be a vibrant parish. Activities at Assumption includes weekly adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a very active Knights of Columbus, Altar Society, Grupo Carismatico, and Catholic Food Bank ministry that assists with food needs for not only the Catholic Community but the entire Duncan and surrounding areas.

## OUR CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION

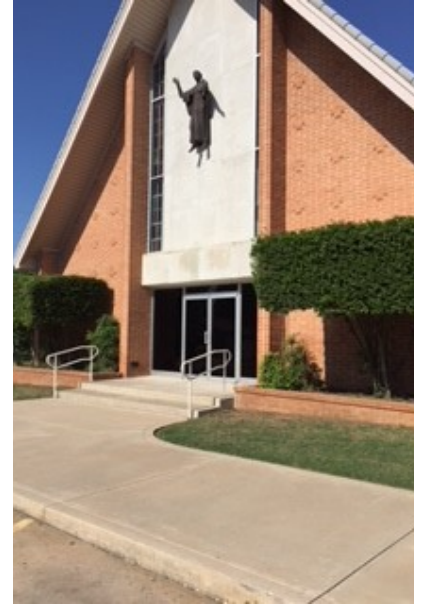
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Assumption welcomes the opportunity to participate in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City's campaign, *One Church, Many Disciples*. This campaign will enable the building of a shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, and will fund shared ministerial needs. Through participating in this campaign, Assumption will raise significant funds toward the needs of our beloved community. We are seeking five-year pledges to achieve the parish campaign goal of \$310,000. Assumption will receive 20% of all funds we raise up to the goal, totaling \$62,000. Plus, 50% of every dollar raised above the goal will be returned to Assumption.

## OUR SHARE OF THE FUNDS

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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 also be able to support exciting new projects at Assumption. With Assumption's share of the funds raised in this campaign effort, we will put funds toward the construction of a new multi-purpose building that would include a Food Bank for the St. Vincent de Paul society, Catholic Charities, Medical Clinic Services, & additional spaces for parish groups. Also, expansion and refurbishing of the parish parking areas.



**New Multi-Purpose Building**

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**Expansion and Refurbishing of Parish Parking Areas.**