

The Living Christ Campaign supports important endowment, programmatic, and capital funds throughout the Diocese of Toledo. Specific areas addressed by the funds include:

Strengthening Our Parishes: "Providing parishes with the opportunity to identify local projects to support the livelihood of local ministries." At St. Paul the Apostle Parish, funds have been designated for replacing the church roof, with construction expected to begin in 2026.

Supporting Our Clergy: "Ensuring care for our active and retired priests, as well as to bolster support for seminarian education."

Caring for the Poor: "Increasing Catholic Charities' services in key geographic regions within the diocese and through capital improvements toward Helping Hands."

Emerging Disciples: "Building upon and maintaining the excellence of our Catholic schools and enhancing the Catholic presence in institutions of higher education throughout the diocese."

Restoring our Mother Church: "Tending to the capital and maintenance needs of Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, the Mother Church of our diocese."

Forming Our Lay Leaders: "Enhancing lay leadership capabilities for service in the Church through education, training, and skill development."

~ Diocese of Toledo, livingchristcampaign.org

Learn more about the Living Christ Campaign by visiting www.livingchristcampaign.org or scan the QR code for quick access to the online resources.

Living Christ Campaign Update - St. Paul Parish

Parish Goal Total Pledges from Start of Campaign: Total Paid to Parish through June 30, 2024 (35% of collections up to goal; 50% thereafter)	\$1,395,000 \$1,972,701 \$300,356
Additional gifts to the Roof Replacement Func	\$14,370

Living Christ Campaign Update - Diocese of Toledo

Pledges Raised	\$104M
Number of Gifts Received	16,812
Pledges Paid	\$50M
Pledges to be Paid	\$54M
Payments to Parishes	\$18M





St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church Celebrate our Catholic Faith Share the Good News Serve the Needs of Others

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ANNUAL PARISH REPORT July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Belonging & Believing

Alpha | Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Coffee & Conversation | Family Adoration Fellowship | Hispanic Bible Studies Homeschool Retreats | Little Flowers Girls' Club Men's Retreat | Volunteers | Women's Retreat YOU!

Registered Parish Families: 1450 Full-time Parish Staff Members: 9 Part-time Parish Staff Members: 3 Average Sunday Mass Attendance: 1132

Sacraments Celebrated

Baptisms: 47 | First Holy Communion: 59 Confirmations: 46 | Funerals: 36 | Weddings: 13 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): 12 Order of Christian Initiation of Children (OCIC): 1

Your Gifts at Work in Our Parish

Christmas Gift Books | Damascus Summer Camp FORMED | Liturgical Living | March for Life, DC Meet & Eat Luncheons | Norwalk Catholic Parish Ministries | Parish Mission Parish School of Religion | Rectory Renovation Sacrament Formation | Sanctuary Ramp

From Our Pastor

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Thank you!

As your pastor, know that I am grateful for the many families and individuals who have sacrificed their time, talent, and treasure for the sake of the Kingdom of God. We accomplished much this past year through the grace of God and the efforts of our people.

Please note the financial situation of our parish in this report. We were able to support the formation of our people and their families through religious education in our parish and Norwalk Catholic. We are blessed with funds and trusts that were established by St. Paul families. These gifts are a testament to the legacies of these families in their faith and are vital in the life of our parish. The growth of these funds over the past year has been a needed boost to our parish during times of economic uncertainty.

Consider putting St. Paul as a beneficiary in your will and listing St. Paul for memorial donations. Making your wishes known will help your family make decisions easily and with the comfort of knowing that they are honoring your choices. Have you ever thought about making your faith a key part of your legacy? You, too, can establish a trust or fund to benefit our parish after the Lord calls you home.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Pet 4:10) As St. Peter wrote, we all have received different gifts. Thank you for sharing your gifts to build the Kingdom. In many different ways, from helping to educate our children in the faith, to comforting those who have lost a loved one, we become the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your support in making St. Paul the Apostle a vibrant Catholic parish.

God bless you,

Jr. Ruhn

Father Anthony Recker, Pastor

Financial Reports

PARISHIONER GIFTS

Weekly Offerings	\$1,338,899
Christmas and Easter	\$127,783
Bequests & Unrestricted Gifts	\$25,626
Other Receipts	\$112,816
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GIFTS AT WORK IN OUR PARISH

Norwalk Catholic	\$980,000
Staffing	\$381,044
Diocesan Assessments	\$118,483
Ministries	\$180,517
Facilities	\$75,718

PARISH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL

POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2024

Cash	\$37,713
Receivables	\$9,553
Saving Accounts	\$828,217
Weisenberger Investment Trust	\$718,408
Endowment Fund	\$984,967
Net Assets	\$2,578,858

CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Perpetual Care

This fund was established for the long-term maintenance of St. Paul Cemetery.

Fisher Trust

This fund was established in 1963 by the Fisher family to support the ongoing care of the shrine and cemetery on West Main Street. If you would like to support the cemetery, donations can be made at anytime to the Cemetery Maintenance fund.

Cash	\$41,20
Receivables	\$1,40
Perpetual Care Fund	\$170,96
Long-Term Investments - Fisher Trust	\$37,38
Net Assets	\$250,96

DR. JOHN & MARY CHAUVIN AND HAROLD & VIOLA MISSLER FUND

This unrestricted fund was established with a generous gift from the Dr. John Chauvin family in 2018. Additional funds were added in 2021 thanks to a bequest from the estate of Viola Missler. These funds are set aside to act as a savings account for unexpected needs as they arise. Donations may be made to this account at any time.

Balance at June 30, 2023	\$299,271
Principal Additions	\$0
Withdrawals	(\$10,877)
Earnings and Fund Appreciation	\$47,048
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$335,442
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ROBERT O. & LEONA M. WEISENBERGER TRUST

This fund was established with a generous gift from the Robert and Leona Wiesenberger families in 2017. The purpose of this fund is to provide religious education for seminarians, deacons, nuns, priests, and lay employees of the parish, at the discretion of our pastor. Funds are restricted for this use for twenty-five years. In 2042 these funds will become unrestricted, and at the discretion of the pastor, can be used for any purpose deemed proper.

Balance at June 30, 2023	\$650,739
Earnings and Fund Appreciation	\$89,260
Education of Religious Disbursements	(\$21,591)
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$718,408

ST. PAUL PARISH ENDOWMENT FUND

The Parish Endowment Fund was established in 2008 to fund the maintenance of our beautiful church, Parish Center, and surrounding campus. If you would like to be instrumental in preserving our parish legacy long into the future, please consider donating to this fund.

09	Balance at June 30, 2023	\$914,026
.00	Principal Additions	\$0
66	Withdrawals	(\$42,800)
85	Earnings and Fund Appreciation	<u>\$113,741</u>
60	Balance at June 30, 2024	\$984,967
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"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" Psalm 116:12