



FINAL REPORT

I present to you a final summary report of the very successful Changing Lives Together initiative that has been a tremendous benefit to the Archdiocese of Detroit and to our parish. This campaign took place at Our Lady of Refuge Parish from July til November 2011. This resulted in a tremendous outpouring of generosity by our parishioners. Pledges were made by parishioners and now they have come to conclusion. Our members donated \$920,981.11. That is an outstanding 95% return on pledges made. Pledges are not fulfilled usually because of life changes like moving, illnesses, death, job changes or other family issues. Not only did we help the Archdiocese by our sharing but we were able to fulfill a list of large projects that would have taken years for us to accomplish if not for this wonderful initiative. I want to share with you this good news.

Income:

Total donations received	\$920,981.11
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Expenditures:

Shared with the Archdiocese	\$198,111.30
Debt payments (debt retired)	\$138,420.39
Parking lot renovation	\$111,490.00
Landscaping and fencing	\$ 52,945.00
Window replacement (phase 1)	\$141,580.92
Window replacement (phase 2)	\$154,452.11
Stephen Ministry (start-up costs)	\$ 3,949.50
Replace social hall roof	\$ 29,500.00
Remodel social hall kitchen	<u>\$ 53,000.00</u>
	\$883,449.22

Our Lady of Refuge Savings Account	\$ 37,531.89
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Total Expenditures and Savings Account	\$920,981.11
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We have been postponing the much needed remodeling of the church bathrooms. This will be accomplished this year with the monies in our savings account paying for a significant part of the costs. With that, all the money raised in the Changing Lives Together initiative will be spent and the program comes to an end. What an accomplishment! What a blessing to our parish! This is something we can truly be proud of. You have been generous, loyal and devoted to our parish. I am very appreciative and thankful.

Fr. Gerald A. McEnhill

