

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS ONE CHURCH?

One Church: Unite Arkansas in Faith and Mission was created in 2018 to focus on the missionary spirit of all parishes in the state. One Church supports a small mission in our diocese that needs a leg up to become a thriving community. The support for the partner parish is for 12 months, from September to August.

WHO PICKS THE TARGET PARISH?

Bishop Anthony B. Taylor and his priest council called the Presbyteral Council

WHAT PARISHES HAVE BEEN HELPED AND HOW?

2018-2019: St. Luke, Warren, new church

2019-2020: Holy Spirit, Hamburg, help pay off church mortgage

2020-2021: St. Bartholomew, Little Rock, new parish hall

2021-2022: St. Andrew, Danville, parish hall renovation

2022-2023: Immaculate Heart of Mary, Magnolia, parish hall expansion

HOW IS THE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED?

Catholic Charities of Arkansas is available to answer questions, offer assistance, coordinate between parishes and accept donations.

WHAT KIND OF HELP DOES THE TARGET PARISH NEED?

It will vary from year to year. The 2023-2024 partner is Blessed Stanley Rother Church in Decatur (Benton County). Funds will be used to renovate the former Baptist church they have been using since 2017.

WHAT ARE WE EXPECTED TO DO TO HELP?

It will depend on the needs of the partner parish and the capacity of your parish. If construction, painting or landscaping are the need, your parish might be able to furnish labor and materials or your expertise. For a parish like Blessed Stanley Rother, the initial need is financial donations to pay for their renovation project.

HOW CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO HELP PROMOTE THIS IN MY PARISH?

Contact Megan Moore at mmoore@dolr.org or (501) 664-0340. She can arrange for speakers to come to your parish for presentations to the parish council, parish committee or group. Speakers may be laypeople or priests familiar with Blessed Stanley Rother Church and can explain the community's needs.

Ongoing updates will be available at dolr.org or on social media accounts through Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Little Rock.

WHERE CAN I SEND A DONATION?

Mail a check to Catholic Charities of Arkansas, 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207, with the notation "Blessed Stanley Rother, Decatur." Make the check payable to Diocese of Little Rock-One Church. Or you can make a one-time or recurring gift at dolr.org/one-church.