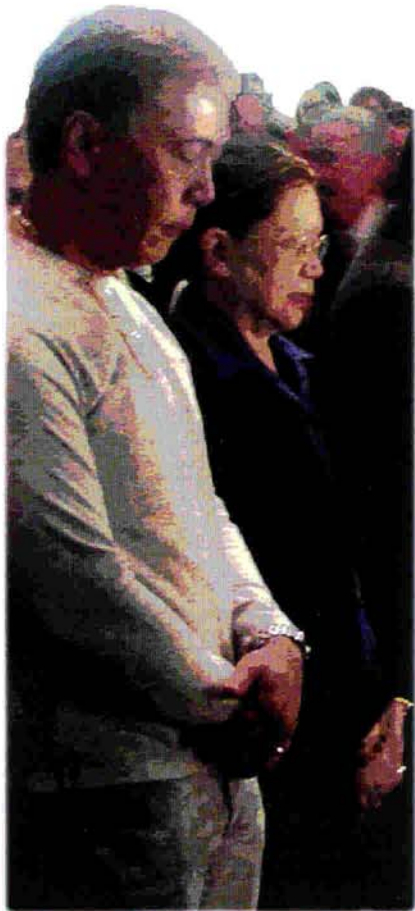


St. Anthony of Padua Parish  
Las Vegas, Nevada  
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# All Are Welcome

A Capital Campaign for St. Anthony of Padua Parish



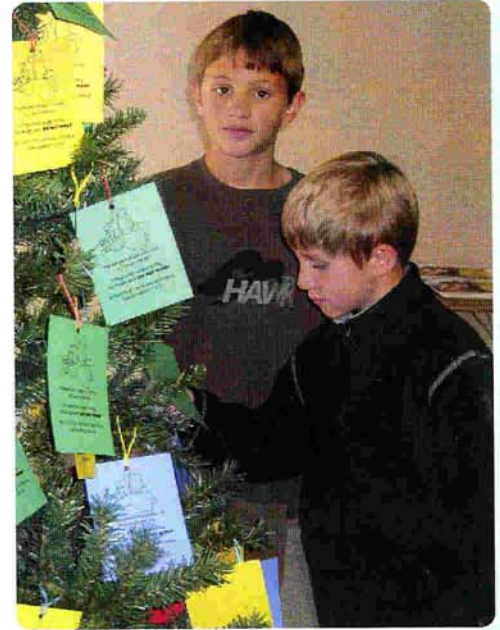
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# There Is a Time...

Even occasional visitors know that something special is happening here at St. Anthony's. Anticipation has been growing as our long-awaited church Building Appeal moves into high gear.

This transition to a new church home has been carefully planned. The Building Committee has sought input from individuals and groups while evaluating numerous options. The goal for this project is \$3 million, including infrastructure improvements and construction. Many parishioners and friends have already helped in creative, sacrificial ways. We have an excellent start, blessed with enthusiasm, encouragement, good will and generosity.

Even though the general economic climate isn't especially favorable, we have little choice but to proceed. It is essential that St. Anthony's take steps now to provide better and more permanent facilities for worship, Catholic education and fellowship. We must all offer our prayers, cooperation and strong financial support for this work. Make no mistake: it will take a sacrificial effort from all who are able to help. Search your heart and your resources to make our new church a reality.



# Time for a Prayerful Decision...

The Building Campaign Committee thought a lot about the best way to contact every member household. It was felt that sending people out door-to-door to secure pledges would not be as well received. As an alternative, building fund commitment materials are being distributed to all member households at Masses this weekend. Knowing what we do about our parish family, it was felt that this approach would be best received.

However, this approach puts a lot of personal responsibility on each of us to take the initiative. Everyone must reply – as generously and as promptly as possible – so that construction can get underway soon.

# How Much are We Expected to Give?

Only God knows what your means are and what is in your heart. Make a gift that is within your ability, but one that is a genuine sacrifice for you. You must do the very best you can. Not everyone's gift will be equal, but the sacrifice ought to be.

Outright gifts – given now in the form of cash or appreciated assets – are especially important. If it is more convenient, you can pledge a contribution from your regular income, to

be fulfilled over time. Keep in mind that a pledge is only a good faith statement of your intentions. It is not a legally binding contract. Pledges can be revised at any time if your circumstances should change.

The important thing to remember is that gifts to St. Anthony's Building Fund are indeed special. They are meant to be over and above your regular, ongoing stewardship support.

## How Does Our Pledged Gift Add Up?

By pledging a certain amount to the building fund – and fulfilling that pledge over time – you may find that you can contribute more than you first thought possible. See the table below for examples.

If Your Total Gift Is:	Monthly (x36)	Quarterly (x12)	Yearly (x3)
\$50,000.00	\$1,388.89	\$4,166.67	\$16,666.67
\$25,000.00	\$694.44	\$2,083.33	\$8,333.33
\$18,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00
\$15,000.00	\$416.67	\$1,250.00	\$5,000.00
\$9,000.00	\$250.00	\$750.00	\$3,000.00
\$6,000.00	\$166.67	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
\$3,000.00	\$83.33	\$250.00	\$1,000.00

If Your Monthly Gift Is:	Your 3-year Gift Will Be:
\$50.00	\$1,800.00
\$60.00	\$2,160.00
\$70.00	\$2,520.00
\$80.00	\$2,880.00
\$90.00	\$3,240.00
\$100.00	\$3,600.00
\$150.00	\$5,400.00
\$200.00	\$7,200.00
\$250.00	\$9,000.00
\$300.00	\$10,800.00
\$350.00	\$12,600.00
\$400.00	\$14,400.00

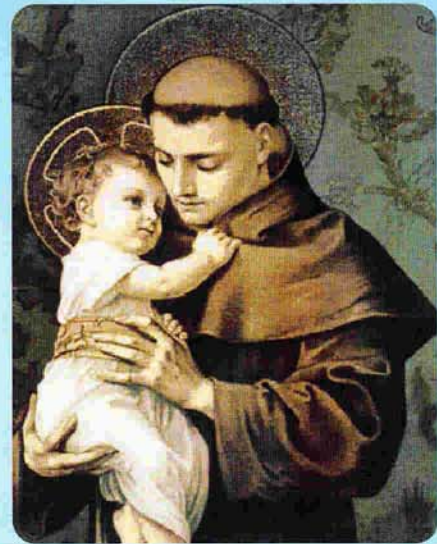
# Time for Prayer & Reflection

Please spend time in prayer and reflection before making your most generous decision. Perhaps you'll want to visit with other family members about your gift. Whatever your circumstances, be assured that St. Anthony's is absolutely relying upon you to join in this special funding effort. Be as prompt and as sacrificial as you can be.

While you think about the **"What?"** and the **"How Much?"** of your gift, consider St. Paul's advice to the faithful at Corinth...

...And here is my advice about what is best for you in this matter... now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has...

(II Corinthians 8: 10-12)



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