

Investing in Future Generations

MAY 2020



AN UPDATE ON OUR CAMPAIGN

Goal: \$500,000,000 Raised to Date: \$366,472,268

Percent of Goal: 73% Number of Gifts: 32,117

Thank you for your generous support!

Father Ricky Works Toward Memorable Return to Holy Trinity

When Fr. Ricardo Viveros began the *Called to Renew* campaign at Holy Trinity in Los Angeles, he did not expect such an incredible response. Like most pastors, he was concerned about the goal, but Fr. Ricky has faced many challenges as a priest. His second assignment after the seminary was St. John Vianney in Hacienda Heights where, in 2011, a fire destroyed almost everything.

Where St. John needed to totally rebuild, Holy Trinity needed improvements. Improvements may not seem as profound as building a new church, but at Holy Trinity they were no less necessary. Fr. Ricky worked hard to communicate with parishioners, reminding them that generations past realized the beautiful campus they all enjoyed. They needed to work together to restore the main entrance, the confessional rooms, and the flooring in the choir loft and sanctuary. They needed to update the church sound system, resurface and repair the parking lot, and improve the technology in the school.

His parish family heard the message and responded. In just a few months, they reached and surpassed the goal. When the campaign concluded, the parish had raised \$1.3 million on a \$415,000 goal!

Today, like churches across the Archdiocese, there is no Mass. Fr. Ricky works hard to stay connected, posting on social media, and making as many personal calls as he can. He longs to support his parishioners like they have supported him.

One of the few silver linings has been that the parish completed its first project- the parking lot. Parishioners enthusiastically followed the progress on Facebook. In the coming month, they hope to replace the sound system. "We are wanting to do these projects since the Church is not being used, and it will give the people something to look forward to" said Fr. Ricky.

Now, parishioners have even more to look forward too when they reopen Holy Trinity!