



Renewing Our Church Together

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AN UPDATE ON OUR CAMPAIGN

Goal:	\$500,000,000
Raised to Date:	\$438,395,513
Percent of Goal:	88%
Number of Gifts:	43,629

Thank you for your generous support!

'The Holy Spirit works on this campaign'

Almost every day since August, Father Budi Wardhana and his business manager, Rolando Binuya, have knocked on the doors of St. Lucy parishioners to tell them about the *Called to Renew* campaign.

"This is the first time in my life as a priest to go to so many parishioners' houses," said Father Wardhana, who was assigned as pastor of the Long Beach parish three years ago. "I think it's a new ministry for me."

And it has also been a first for many parishioners. One parishioner excitedly told him, "Wow! I've been here 98 years, and this is the first time a priest is visiting my house."

As a result of their efforts, St. Lucy has now raised \$697,300 — 126% of its \$550,000 goal — from 124 gifts. The projects the parish will direct its share of campaign funds to include two that parishioners have long had on their wish list: building a 24-hour adoration chapel and renovating the parish hall restrooms.

"The Holy Spirit works on this campaign, especially leading us to people who we are going to visit," Rolando said.

Father Wardhana and Rolando make sure to bring holy water and oils with them. Besides inviting parishioners to participate in *Called to Renew*, they often bless their homes and anoint those who are sick.

"I ask them if their house has ever been blessed," he said. "And we always pray."

They also encourage parishioners to return to Sunday Mass in-person and explain why receiving the Holy Eucharist is so important.

"It's education and evangelization," Father Wardhana said. "We always do it with joy, with enthusiasm, because we know this is an opportunity of ministry and an opportunity to—"

"Serve one another," Rolando added.

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