

2006 appeal goal met AND surpassed!

parishes to benefit from excess dollars

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I am happy to report that gifts and pledges to the first annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal as of December 19, 2006, total \$1,322,293!

This is great news considering that the actual goal of the appeal was \$600,000. This means that those dollars in excess of the goal - \$722,293 - will be returned to parishes in the diocese to assist in funding designated projects.

Sixty-seven of the 78 parishes in the diocese have reached their goal. All but four of those parishes that have not reached their goal are within \$2,000 of their goal. Unmet parish goals total \$15,685.

PARISHES WHO HAVE MET THEIR GOAL:

St. Mary, Arlington; St. Mary Beardsley; St. Francis, Benson; St. Mary, Bird Island; St. Peter, Canby; St. Clara, Clara City; St. Paul, Comfrey, St. Mary, Cottonwood; St. John, Darwin; St. James, Dawson; St. John – Assumption, Faxon Twp.; St. Gertrude, Forest City; St. Michael,

Gaylord; St. Eloi, Ghent; St. Willibrord, Gibbon; St. Pius X Glencoe; St. Andrew, Granite Falls; St. Brendan, Green Isle; St. Clotilde



Green Valley; St. John, Hector St. Joseph, Henderson; St. Anastasia, Hutchinson; SS. Peter and Paul, Ivanhoe; St. Patrick, Kandiyohi; St. Gregory the Great, Lafayette, St. Genevieve, Lake Benton; St. Thomas More, Lake Lillian; St. Joseph, Lambertson; Japanese Martyrs, Leavenworth; St. Philip Litchfield; Our Lady of Victory, Lucan; Our Lady, Manannah; Holy Redeemer, Marshall; St. Michael, Milroy; St. Edward, Minneota; St. Joseph, Montevideo; St. Michael, Morgan; St. John, Morton; Sacred Heart, Murdock; St. James, Nassau;

Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New Ulm; St. Mary, New Ulm; Holy Rosary, North Mankato; St. Aloysius, Olivia; St. John, Ortonville.

The three highest dollar amounts to be returned to parishes, \$160,689 will be returned to St. Mary's, New Ulm; \$89,954 will be returned to Holy Redeemer in Marshall; \$44,577 will be returned to the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New Ulm. To date, 5,461 families gave a gift/pledge to the appeal which represents 20 % of the households in the diocese.

BISHOP'S GUILD MEMBERS:

There are 374 members in the Bishop's Guild (requiring a \$1,000 or more contribution).

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