

Launched in 2018, the Called to Serve as Christ Campaign provides long-term funding for the retirement and medical needs of priests and women religious as well as support of individual parishes. The fundraising campaign rolled out in four waves across 168 parishes and missions and from donors located in Western Washington from Blaine to Vancouver, Forks to Snoqualmie. The active phase of the campaign concluded in early 2021, and most pledges were fulfilled by the spring of 2024. As of December 31, 2023, \$65.9M has been raised in one-time gifts and pledges. Donations continue to come in, such as matching gifts and pledge payments supporting the needs of priests and women religious.

Called to Serve as Christ Campaign Impact Report



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Stephen Brashear

Sister Lorene Heck, O.P.

HOW MANY LIVES CONTINUE TO BE IMPACTED BY YOUR SUPPORT:

- **70** retired priests
- **12** orders of women religious who serve our archdiocese
- More than **150** parish projects

HOW YOUR DONATIONS HELP SENIOR PRIESTS

“I was able to fly back and forth to Minnesota to visit my ailing brother. These were very important visits that I would not have been able to afford if it weren’t for the pension.” – Retired Archdiocesan Priest

“I was able to be generous to others in need, including former parishes and causes in which I was involved. Without the pension, I would have to focus on my own needs and expenses.” – Retired Archdiocesan Priest

HOW YOUR DONATIONS HELP WOMEN RELIGIOUS

“Throughout all these years, the generosity of the people of the archdiocese and the support of the clergy have been outstanding in supporting our life, not only financially but by their prayer, encouragement, and appreciation of our way of life. This stewardship program is yet another example of the wonderful spirit.”

– Sister Sean Hennessy, OCD, Carmelite Monastery of Seattle

“Your generosity to the entire Called to Serve as Christ Campaign, of which the sisters received 24%, has been such that we have been able to have the necessary funds to continue caring for our elder sisters in assisted and skilled nursing communities. These sisters are the ones who taught your parents and maybe even you. Often, they used convent resources to be sure the students had what they needed. Now you have helped them.” – Sister Sharon Casey, OP

HOW YOUR DONATIONS HELP ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE PARISHES

- St. John Bosco in Lakewood installed a new tabernacle along with other liturgical enhancements.
- St. Leo in Tacoma created a new prayer garden.
- St. Jude in Redmond and Holy Family in Kirkland donated their share of the campaign to The New Bethlehem Project, a year-round homeless shelter.
- Several parishes honored orders. For example, Blessed Sacrament in Seattle supported the aging Dominican Friars, St. Alphonsus in Seattle supported the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT) Sisters, and Sacred Heart of Jesus in Seattle supported the Redemptorists.

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CAMPAIGN SUCCESS



23,000
Donors

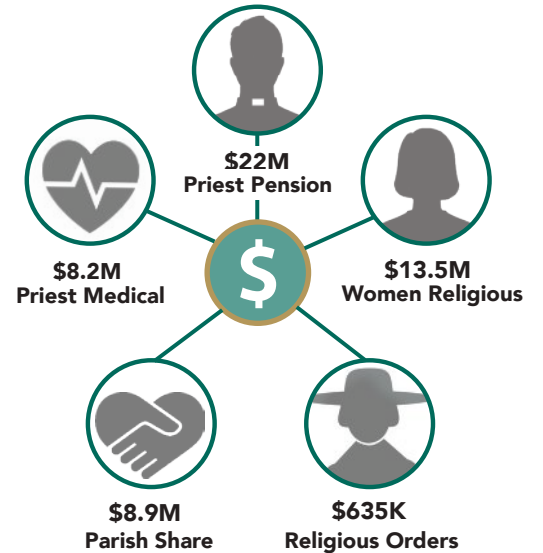


1,450
Volunteers



168
Parishes & Missions

DISTRIBUTION AS OF 12/31/23



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