DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Saint Anne Catholic Church is participating in One Church, Many Disciples, along with every church in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. This first ever major campaign will build a Shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, support faith formation ministries and strengthen local parishes, including St. Anne. We join with faithful from across the archdiocese who are also helping to ensure our local church is strong and vibrant for generations to come.

As an archdiocese, we form a faith community of 200,000 Catholics in central and western Oklahoma; we truly are One Church, Many Disciples! With the Beatification of Blessed Stanley Rother, each of us has the opportunity to share in his legacy. What an occasion to live Jesus’ call to missionary discipleship.

Please take a moment to review the impact One Church, Many Disciples will have on St. Anne. This campaign has my full support and, as your pastor, I hope you will embrace this opportunity here at St. Anne.

Rev. Thomas Pudota

OUR PARISH ROOTS

In 1906 the county seat of Washita County was moved from Cloud Chief to Cordell. That same spring, in a vacant store, Mass was celebrated in Cordell for the first time, and afterward in the homes of early parishioners. Through persistent efforts Catholics acquired property on the corner of Zada Street and Mongolia Avenue, where a pretty little brick church was started in 1906 and completed in 1907 with financial support from Catholic Extension. The first Mass celebrated there was April 1, 1907, but its dedication to the Sacred Heart of Jesus did not take place until ten years later in 1917. In 1955 a new church was built; in May of that year it was dedicated to St. Anne.
PARISH LIFE TODAY

Today, St. Anne is very active, with multiple clubs and ministry groups that benefit the faith community in Cordell. There is a youth group for the children and teens of the parish, there is a religious education program, an active Knights of Columbus chapter with Clinton, partnership with the St. Vincent de Paul society in Clinton. Saint Ann Parish shares some of its ministries and programs with St. Mary Parish in Clinton.

OUR CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION

Saint Anne welcomes the opportunity to participate in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City’s campaign, One Church, Many Disciples. This campaign will enable the building of a shrine for Blessed Stanley Rother, and will fund shared ministerial needs. Through participating in this campaign, St. Anne will raise significant funds toward the needs of our beloved community. We are seeking five-year pledges to achieve the parish campaign goal of $55,000. St. Anne will receive 20% of all funds we raise up to the goal, totaling $11,000. Plus, 50% of every dollar raised above the goal will be returned to St. Anne.

OUR SHARE OF THE FUNDS

Through the One Church, Many Disciples campaign, we will not only play a significant role in this historic moment in the Church’s history, but we will also be able to support exciting new projects at St. Anne.

With St. Anne’s share of the funds raised in this campaign effort, we will put money toward installing stained glass windows. The new windows will enhance the beauty of our beloved parish and be a permanent reminder of the glory and majesty of our Lord.