Our Parish

Established 50 years ago,
St. Norbert College Parish was the
first college parish in the United States.
For many, St. Norbert College Parish is
a haven as they begin their college
experience. It is a place they can turn to
when searching for the comfort they
left at home. For many more,
St. Norbert College Parish continues
to be a faith home as they grow and
mature. Our inviting and lively parish
environment also draws many who



St. Norbert College Parish

have no previous connection to the college. It is this unique blend of people who comprise the parish and make it truly one of a kind.

Every time we come together, we strive to live out our credo of worship, grow, serve and connect. It is through the commitments of time, talent and treasure from each and every one of us that our parish has flourished into the beautiful faith community it is today. These are the firmly planted roots of our parish and they are ever ancient, ever new.

Determining Our Needs - The Process

The St. Norbert College Parish Mission Planning Team was led by Jason Lau and Tom Tengowski, alumni who have both served as prior Parish Council Chairpersons. They brought great leadership and worked to integrate our rich history and tradition to the Parish Mission Planning recommendations. A diverse team of 10 people representing elderly, youth, young families and persons from Parish Council and Finance Council brought prayerful reflection and reviewed a mission plan looking at the growing and urgent needs of our parish. We want St. Norbert College Parish to continue to be a vital and vibrant place of prayer, worship, faith formation and outreach. To ensure we can serve our current and future community, new initiatives and programs were identified through this process.

Half of what we raise will go toward needs within St. Norbert College Parish. The other half will be used by the *one by One* campaign to support Diocesan initiatives that help our parish and enhance Catholic schools. Ultimately this mission campaign will help more peope to discover, follow, worship and share Jesus.

Where Mass is just the beginning.





\$256,161

St. Norbert College Parish 123 Grant St. De Pere, WI 54115

Our Needs

With your support of the *one by One* campaign, St. Norbert College Parish will continue to promote the healing, teaching and loving presence of Jesus Christ. We hope to:

Develop a Community Care and Outreach Grant - \$100,000

We are proud to bring joy and love to others as we serve those in the most need, just as Jesus did. This is how we live out the Norbertine ideal of communio. With your



Building relationships through Generations of Faith.

great generosity we are able to provide support to many within our parish through: meals for sick, transportation ministry, knitting for peace and prayer shawls, prayerful anointing visitation and the care ministry team. Looking outside our church doors to the many in need throughout our community, we are thrilled to be a part of many community outreach programs, including: Ecumenical Partnership for Housing, St Patrick's Pantry, New Community Shelter, House of Hope, St John's Homeless Shelter, Life Initiatives, Love Life Ministries, Advent Candle Project, Special Disaster Relief both local and global, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and the Bishops Appeal. Communio is much more than a word at St. Norbert College Parish; it is what our parish is centered around.

One of the vital charisms of this place-of-worship is to provide outreach and service to the poor and marginalized, locally and globally. Through the grant program there will be more opportunities here at St. Norbert College to care for others. Some potential opportunities are:

- Global outreach opportunities to be able to stand in solidarity with the human family throughout the world.
- "Kick Start" faith discovery and enhancement within the parish community.
- We will explore the possibility of reviving an outreach initiative that was established in 1969 by the Norbertine College of Chaplains. This initiative sent people to the Norbertine Holy Spirit House in Chicago, IL to experience outreach and poverty through the eyes of that community.

Facilities - \$26,000

A generous parishioner is donating a state of the art camera system to allow us to stream our Masses and programming. Technology upgrades are instrumental in reaching out to young adults and college students and creating the new era of disciples in our community.

- Replace the church projector, replace monitors in the atrium and add a large smart TV in the Pennings room for church business, faith formation and young families.
- Upgrade the sound system so the Gospel message can be heard clearly in the church, the atrium and Pennings room.

We understand that not everyone can make the same gift. However, we encourage all those who make St. Norbert College Parish their spiritual home to make a sacrificial pledge, payable up to a three-year period to help us build the Kingdom of God, *one by One*.





Dear Friends in Christ,

It is amazing to think of how much we have grown as a diocese in 150 years. Today, we represent around 325,000 Catholics of all ages and backgrounds. Each one of us brings an incredible story of faith to be the Church that we are today.

Our faith community is a gift from previous generations of Catholics. Our parishes, Catholic schools, and faith formation activities would not exist if it were not for the vision and sacrifice

of those who came before us. Today, we are called to renew our mission and vision as the Diocese of Green Bay. I ask you to prayerfully consider joining me in making this opportunity a success.

Jesus calls us, one by one, to follow Him. This ongoing call invites us to consider how we can better build the Kingdom of God in our families, our Church and our world.

The one by One capital campaign takes up this call and invites each of us to:

- Ensure a vibrant and sustainable future for our parishes;
- Provide opportunities for growth in our Catholic schools and faith formation programs, including funding scholarships for thousands of families for years to come;
- Respond in a stronger way to those who live on the margins, including expanding our social services outreach to even more people each year;
- Secure the future for those considering a life of ordained service and for those clergy who have retired from active ministry;
- Help families and individuals discover, follow, worship and share Jesus with all people; and
- Modernize communication strategies to share the Good News and help more people to discover, follow, worship and share Jesus.

A fruitful campaign will not only provide immediate programming but will also continue to build our Church for the next 150 years and beyond. Thank you for your prayers and financial support. God bless you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David L. Ricken, DD, JCL Bishop of Green Bay

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Our Diocesan Campaign Priorities

Across our Diocese, funds raised through the *one by One* campaign will strengthen our vibrant parishes, enhance Catholic education in all forms, broaden charitable and living justice programs, provide for those who serve, create a community that leads others to Jesus and provide for technology and communication upgrades. This campaign will empower each of us to transform our communities and as missionary disciples we will share the healing, teaching and loving presence of Jesus where we live, work and pray.



Transforming and Enhancing Vibrant Parishes

Goal: \$30,000,000

Strengthening our parishes will transform the experiences we have with our faith and enhance the places where we gather in prayer and worship. As such, 50% of all funds collected during the parish campaign will be used by the individual parishes to support and advance their local needs.



Strengthening and Advancing Catholic Education into Schools of Discipleship

Goal: \$19,075,000

Catholic schools and faith formation programs must continue to play a significant role in forming missionary disciples who have a deep commitment to serving Christ and His Church.



Enriching and Broadening Catholic Charities and Living Justice

Goal: \$6,050,000

Catholic Charities, the Diocese and parishes help people who are most in need in our communities experience the love of God by promoting the social teachings of the Church, especially as they relate to issues of justice and human dignity.



Growing and Enhancing Support for Those Who Answer God's Calling

Goal: \$8,285,000

From the youngest among us who are just beginning their journey of faith to our retired clergy who require extended care, we must support and foster every person's exploration of their faith at every age.



Creating and Supporting a Community That Leads Others to Discover, Follow, Worship and Share Jesus

Goal: \$3,590,000

As missionary disciples we serve Christ in the world by serving others. To fully serve those with the joy of the Gospel, we must provide the support necessary for parishes to increase the number and frequency of evangelization and discipleship seminars.



Modernizing and Improving Technology and Communication Strategies Goal: \$3,000,000

The message of the Gospel is eternal; however, the methods used by the Diocese of Green Bay to effectively communicate that message, leading all to salvation, is rapidly changing.