

Risen Christ-Feasibility Study Case Statement

Founded in 1967, Risen Christ Catholic Parish has grown into a vibrant parish of nearly 2,000 families. With Fr. Scott Bailey as the current pastor, this parish has wonderful facilities to conduct ministry, educate youth, young adults, and others in our faith, as well as provide space for community events. Over 40% percent of the active parishioners contribute to the offertory which totals \$1.9 million annually. The community is now attracting younger parishioners and has maintained a stable community through the pandemic.

The church at Risen Christ Catholic Parish was dedicated in 1970 with a distinctively modern style, drawing appreciation from both the parishioners and the broader culture. In recent years, it has become evident that the building needs some updates and aesthetic improvements. In the Fall of 2021, there were listening sessions held that were open to the entire parish community, in which many parishioners shared their experiences and memories in our church and offered recommendations on how to proceed with a remodeling project.

After careful deliberation and consultation with parishioners, staff, and experts, the following projects are being considered:

- 1) A redesign of the sanctuary space to elevate the main part of the sanctuary for better sightlines throughout the church and to accommodate an ADA ramp.
- 2) Moving the choir from its current location over the sanctuary to a new location in the church, to conform with established church design standards, and to make the music ministry accessible to persons with disabilities.
- 3) Remove the baptismal font in the front of the church as it is no longer used.
- 4) ADA improvements to the existing confessionals and bathrooms.
- 5) Upgrade the current sound system and lighting within the church.

We have selected Eidos as our architect and Haselden as our general contractor. Both have extensive experience working with the Archdiocese of Denver on church projects. We are using a design-build process to save both time and money, and the Archdiocese is very pleased that we are doing the project in this way. This means that the contractor and architect are working together every step of the way; in fact, the contractor and architect were both present for every programming meeting to ensure that they understand the needs and desires of the community. The cost of these projects is estimated at \$8 million- \$10 million dollars.

To move forward prudently, the parish leadership has determined to conduct a feasibility study to see if a capital campaign can be mounted to raise these funds. Seeking the opinion of parishioners across the spectrum, this study will provide Fr. Scott and the parish leadership team with the information needed to make sound financial decisions for Risen Christ parish.

Thank you for your consideration of participating in this study.

**Risen Christ Catholic Parish
Denver, Colorado**

GOAL - \$8,000,000				
ADVANCE LEAD TIER				
Gift Level	Amount Per Year	Amount Per Month	# of Gifts Needed	Total
\$2,000,000	\$400,000	\$33,333	1	\$2,000,000
\$1,000,000	\$200,000	\$16,667	1	\$1,000,000
\$500,000	\$100,000	\$8,333	1	\$500,000
\$250,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	2	\$500,000
\$100,000	\$20,000	\$1,667	8	\$800,000
MID LEAD TIER				
Level	Amount Per Year	Amount Per Month	#	Total
\$50,000	\$10,000	\$833	15	\$750,000
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$417	25	\$625,000
\$15,000	\$3,000	\$250	40	\$600,000
\$10,000	\$2,000	\$167	50	\$500,000
PARTICIPATION TIER				
Level	Amount Per Year	Amount Per Month	#	Total
\$5,000	\$1,000	\$83	80	\$400,000
\$3,600	\$720	\$60	100	\$360,000
\$1,800	\$360	\$30	200	\$360,000
TOTAL			521	\$8,395,000