

# *Saint Mary, Mother of God Church*

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Dear Parishioner,

The Lenten Season will soon provide us once again with the opportunity to renew and strengthen our relationship with Jesus Christ and to find deepening hope in His resurrection. Additionally, Lent will be a time when we can share blessings that God has bestowed upon us and fortify the Mission and Ministry of our Catholic faith through participation in our annual Diocesan Lenten Appeal. The theme for this year's Appeal is *Grow in the Lord*.

In order to help members of our parish and community "grow" in faith, we need to provide facilities and programs that are secure and rooted in a sense of comfort. If we provide a nurturing and safe atmosphere, participants in liturgy, faith formation, and other aspects of parish life, will be able to immerse themselves into the experience more completely and with a sense of trust in their surroundings.

This year, you can help us to enhance safety in our parish facilities through your support of the Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Our Diocesan goal at Saint Mary, Mother of God Parish is \$20,259.00. Funds raised over that amount will be designated for the purchase, upgrade and maintenance of items, systems, and improvements related to parish safety and security. Our parish goal has been set at \$32,259.00. We are relying on your generosity to raise at least \$12,000.00 over our Diocesan goal. Please know that your support at any level is GREATLY appreciated.

At an even greater scale, your donations to the 2020 Diocesan Lenten Appeal will allow programs and projects that benefit our Parish, Region, and Diocese to continue to flourish and help in countless ways to build the Kingdom of God in our four counties.

May God bless you abundantly as we work together on this effort. If you have any questions, or you would like any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us in person, by phone or via email.

With our prayers and appreciation,

*Father Willie*      *Father Victor*

Father Willie Lechnar and Father Victor Baguna