Under One Roof Campaign

Status at end of April 2026

In April 2026, $8,775.50 was contributed to the Under One Roof Campaign bringing our total raised to-date to $224,355. A sincere thank you to all who contributed.

At the Parish Forum held on Sunday May 31, I presented the following report to parishioners in attendance. I am attaching it here for those who were unable to attend the forum. This will give everyone a closer look at the status of our fund-raising. My presentation was preceded by a report from the Premises Committee outlining the work to be done to maintain the Church.

Presentation on Under One Roof at the Parish Forum

Good morning.

Andre has clearly outlined the work that must be done to maintain and preserve this uniquely beautiful sacred space called St Basil's. Thank you Andre.

In order to raise the money for these works, in January 2025 we embarked on a 3-year fund-raising campaign to raise $450,000. Our fundraising team is Michelle Gleeson, Man-Lai Wong, Jean Paul Ruszkowski and me.

$450,000 over 36 months works out to $12.500 a month.

We are now well into the second year of the campaign. I have the final numbers up to March 2026; that's 15 months and at $12,500 a month we should be at $187,500. The good news is that as of March 31, 2026, we have raised $215,500.

Wonderful news! How did this happen?

The initiative and generosity of St Basil's parishioners has brought us this far. Generous parishioners have made pledges to support the campaign. So far, $88,000 has come from pledges and we have future pledges of $107,000.

In addition to donations in the collection basket and pledges the money has come from:

- *Fundraising Events such as fashion shows by the CWL, a fun trivia night, dinners by the K of C, the 50-50 draws, and an unplanned surplus from the Parish Anniversary dinner. These demonstrate an amazing community spirit. Thank you.*
- *A successful grant application by the Finance committee yielded $7,500 for lighting and fixing the parking lot and $10,000 from the EX Corde foundation for outside improvements.*

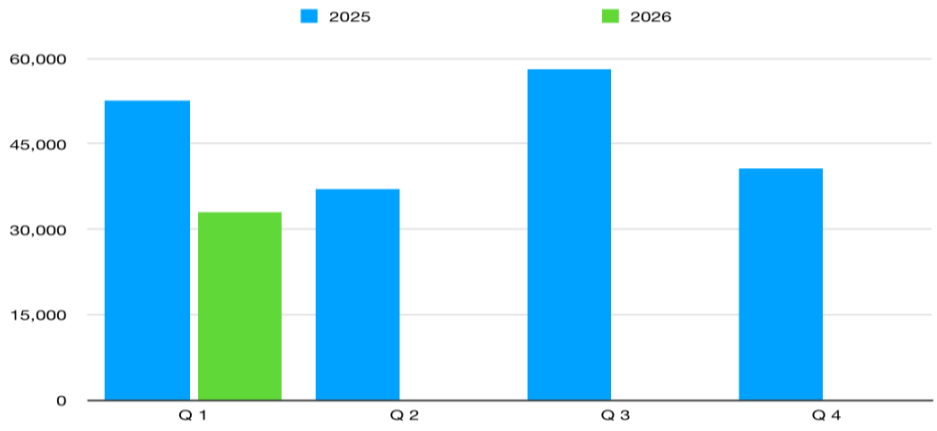
- *There have also been bequests from parishioners who remembered St Basil's in their wills.*

All these demonstrate a great community spirit.

The not-so-good news is that the rate at which we are raising funds is slowing down. Let's have a look at this graph.

Under One Roof Donations

	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4
2025	52,552	37,035	58,110	40,686
2026	32,962			



The blue bars show the 4 quarters of 2025 and the green bar is the first quarter of 2026. In 2025 we reached or exceeded $12,500 per month or $37,500 per quarter. However, in the first quarter of 2026 donations were below that target.

Overall we are still on target. Despite our difficulties, there is no reason to think that we won't succeed. St Basil's strong social, cultural and communitarian spirit has overcome obstacles in the past, and we will do so again. We cannot risk losing this thriving Catholic community that we love so much.

We journey in hope.

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Chair, Under One Roof Campaign