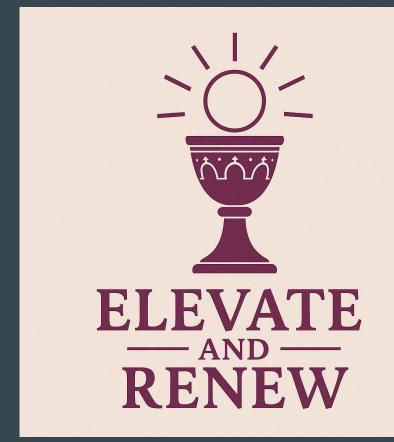


Informational ... Meeting

May, 2025





GRACIOUS GOD AND FATHER,
WE BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR
THE MANY GIFTS YOU HAVE BESTOWED
UPON US.

WE ASK YOU FOR THE SPIRITS OF
DISCERNMENT AND GENEROSITY AS WE
SEEK TO RETURN TO YOU OUR TIME,
TALENT, AND TREASURE IN GRATITUDE.
BLESS OUR EFFORTS TO ELEVATE AND
RENEW ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH FOR
YOUR GLORY, OUR GOOD, AND THE
GOOD OF FUTURE GENERATIONS.

WE ASK THIS THROUGH CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.

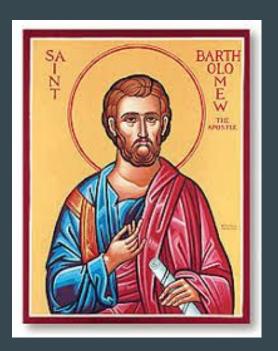
ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
PRAY FOR US.

## Welcome & Opening Prayer



#### Parish History

- Established in 1902
- Current church built 1959
- Social hall and narthex added
- No renovation to the sanctuary since 1959





- Do something beautiful for God
- Leave a legacy for future Catholics in Newaygo County

Human beings... have a profound need for beauty. Like truth, beauty brings joy to the human heart... and is an invitation to savor life and to dream of the future. That is why the beauty of created things can never fully satisfy, but instead stirs that hidden nostalgia for God which a lover of beauty like Saint Augustine could recognize."

St. Pope John Paul II Letter to Artists, 1999

#### Church and Sanctuary Enhancements









#### Rectory Plans

- Importance of an onsite rectory for the pastor
  - Diocesan requirement
- Features:
  - 2 bedroom suites, 1 guest room
  - Pastor, retired priest, seminarian
- Timeline:
  - Break ground in 2025



#### Project Costs and Funding Plan

- Total Cost: \$1.5 million
- Breakdown:
  - Rectory (\$750,000)
  - Church (\$750,000)
- Funding sources:
  - Rectory sale = \$300,000
  - Parish savings = \$100,000
  - Capital campaign = \$1,100,000

### Additional Projects

\*if we exceed our fundraising goal

- Stained GlassWindows
- New Pews



# Capital Campaign Timeline

- 1. Information May
- 2. Prayer June
- 3. Commitment June/July