



## St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish

Served by the Norbertine Fathers

November 16, 2022

**Dear SJB Parishioners, Friends, and Supporters,**

Grace, mercy, and peace!

My heartfelt appreciation and sincere THANKS for your generous and unwavering financial support for our beloved parish and for our diocese in 2022! Your contributions continue to make a very positive impact on many people here at SJB and throughout the diocese.

I also wish to update you on our stewardship efforts. The diocesan **Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA) for last year (2021) ended on a high note for us!**

Pledges = 227. Amount Pledged = \$168,351. Amount Paid = \$167,480.

Rebate to the Parish = \$67,480.

As you can see, your generosity and that of your fellow parishioners enabled us to meet and EXCEED the assessment of \$100,000 and receive a rebate of \$67,480! The rebate was used to augment our operating budget and support new ministries for young adults and families. We also did needed upgrades to our choir loft audio system, and had work done on our parking lot over the summer.

**This year, for the 2022 PSA campaign, the Diocese has stipulated an assessment of \$106,000.**

I am confident we can meet the assessment and once again challenge ourselves to earn a rebate! **For 2022 I am hoping we can work together to achieve an overall goal of \$176,000 in payments – and thus earn a rebate of \$70,000 for our parish!** Let's also work to increase the level of participation by setting a goal for 300 pledges this year!

God has blessed us with many gifts, and we must all do our part – great or small – to share those blessings for the good of His Church. Our 2022 PSA rebate earnings will be used to supplement our operating budget and also **replace our 20-year old air conditioning equipment in the church.**

We truly need and deeply appreciate your support. You may make your pledge and payments using the envelopes in the church. You may also make your pledge and payments online at [www.rcbo.org/psa](http://www.rcbo.org/psa). Be sure to indicate you are from St. John the Baptist Parish when making your online pledge and payments.

Please discern through prayer and careful consideration how you can make a difference with your pledge. As your pastor, I assure you that each payment is valuable. The size of the gift is not what is most important. It is, rather, your response to God's generosity that matters most.

Thank you again for your continuing prayers and support! May God reward you abundantly!

With my prayers,

Rev. Pascal Nguyen, O.Praem., Pastor