



Client Case Study:

*St. Matthew Parish
Topeka, Kansas
Fr. Jerry Volz, Pastor*

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St. Matthew is an aging parish in a working-class neighborhood. Their motorcycle-riding pastor sought to involve all members in planning the future of the parish. The consensus-based effort really paid off in a high level of satisfaction for both the members of the parish as well as members of the staff.

The 2007 capital campaign to build a new parish hall, an early childhood center, and rectory secured 670 pledges out of 1,100 families. With annual giving at \$1.4 million for the parish, we raised over \$2,500,000 in capital campaign pledges.

One unusual quality of the campaign was that we had over 60 people on the executive team that oversaw the campaign. These leaders gave great guidance to the campaign's direction. A smaller management team guided implementation details.

Three-year follow through included assistance with increasing annual giving in the regular stewardship campaign.