

Diocesan Wide $70 Million *Ignite!* Initiative Announced!

Ignite!
STIR INTO FLAME GOD'S GIFTS
Diocese of Harrisburg

THE DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG HAS EMBARKED ON A DIOCESAN WIDE FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE ENTITLED *IGNITE!*

In response to Bishop Senior's pastoral vision, *Stir into Flame*, ***Ignite!*** will address critical needs of the Diocese and our parishes, ensuring a strong and vibrant future for the faithful of Central Pennsylvania. ***Ignite!*** will provide resources to support:

- Parish Initiatives
- Vocations
- Care for Priests
- Faith Formation & Evangelization
- Catholic Education
- Catholic Charities
- Cathedral Renovations
- Diocesan Infrastructure

These needs were inspired by Bishop Senior's pastoral vision for the Diocese and developed after working closely with priests, ministry leaders, lay leaders, religious and friends within the Church.

Preparations for ***Ignite!*** began in May 2026, following the diocesan wide feasibility study conducted from January 2026 through April 2026. Bishop Senior, along with clergy and lay leaders, have been meeting with active, engaged and supportive members of our diocesan family for the last few months to launch ***Ignite!*** with great momentum.

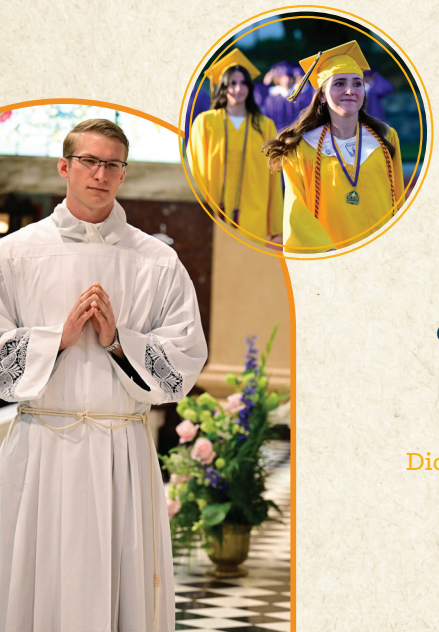
Thanks be to God, the first donors to ***Ignite!*** have already contributed over

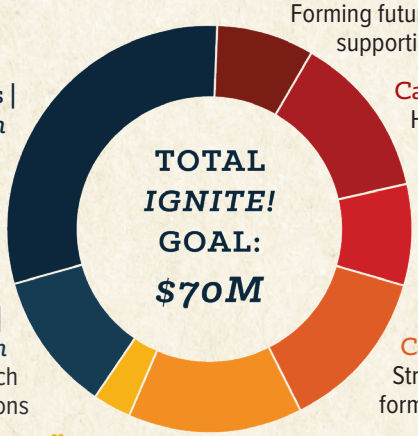
$8.5 million

in pledges and outright gifts toward our $70 million goal!

Every parish in the diocese will conduct the ***Ignite!*** initiative in one of three six-month waves between January 2027 and July 2028.

More information will be shared as progress is made, but this is an exciting time for our diocesan family! Please pray for the success of ***Ignite!*** and prayerfully consider how you can participate during your parish's wave. This historic effort will be successful by all of us looking beyond our parish boundaries, seeing the needs, wanting to spread Christ's love and acting as one family of faith to stir into flame God's gifts.





Vocations | *$5.5 million*
Forming future priests and supporting discernment

Care for Priests | *$9.5 million*
Honoring and caring for those who have served faithfully

Faith Formation & Evangelization | *$6 million*
Helping people encounter Christ and grow as disciples

Catholic Education | *$9 million*
Strengthening our schools and forming the next generation

Catholic Charities | *$9.5 million*
Bringing Christ's mercy to those most in need

Diocesan Infrastructure | *$2 million*
Strengthening the foundation that supports ministry

Cathedral Renovations | *$7.5 million*
Preserving our mother church for future generations

Parish Initiatives | *$21 million*
30% of funds raised will return directly to parishes