

THE JUBILEE FUND

St. Anthony Parish's Jubilee Fund is an annual collection to provide needed funds to address special projects generally not covered by our annual operating budget.



The phone system will be replaced.

FUND PROJECTS 2026

- Repair or replace the HVAC equipment in the church and in the Education Center
- Replace the phone system for the parish offices, church and the Education Center
- Upgrade the lighting system in the church
- Purchase size-appropriate desk/chair furniture for the CFF program



If you are interested in making a special gift, please contact Fr. Jim or our Stewardship and Advancement Ministry.

2026 GOAL- \$100,000

Your gift helps to sustain the heritage of faith that has animated St. Anthony Parish since its founding in 1886. From the beginning, our parishioners have answered the call for support with generosity and sacrifice. Our heritage of faith is **YOU!**



HVAC units will be repaired or replaced.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



The older children will have chairs that fit them.

"Attribute to God every good that you have received."

St. Anthony of Padua

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This year marks the 140th anniversary of St. Anthony Parish's founding in 1886. Our parish is older than Ambler itself which was incorporated in 1888. Our cross on the steeple is the highest point in Ambler, anchoring the town in the body of Christ.

This longevity is a testament to the people of St. Anthony Parish and the grace of God. Generation after generation has received and passed on our heritage faith. Now it is our turn to ensure that our parish continues to grow and thrive. Technology is constantly changing, facilities are in ongoing need of repair or replacement, and the needs of the people grow as our community has grown.

The Jubilee Fund has made it possible for us to meet the needs of each new era. This year we will be upgrading our phone and lighting systems, repairing or replacing major components of our HVAC, and purchasing new furniture for our CFF program.

Please be generous as we take on the mantle, and pass it to a new generation.

Fr. Jim



The lighting system controls will be replaced.

2026 JUBILEE PROJECTS

HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC)

The HVAC systems in both the church and the Education Center are over 20 years old and are in need of constant repair. The units in the church are located above the Narthex ceiling by the Holy Child room. The units in the Education Center are located on the roof of the building.

Several of the compressors of the units on the roof of the Education Center will be repaired or replaced.

The pans that contain the drainage of the condensate of the A/C units in the church have deteriorated causing leaks and damage to the church walls. The pans will be replaced or remediated.

PHONE SYSTEM

There is one phone system for both the Parish Office and the Education Center. The Mitel system has reached the end of its support life. Functionality is limited and new phones are no longer able to be sourced except for second-hand marketplaces.

The parish will move to a cloud-based phone system such as RingCentral. A new PBX (Private Branch Exchange) system will replace our existing phones and on-site Mitel server. This will address the issues we are having with connectivity and busy signals.

LIGHTING PANEL

The lighting system for the church and parking lot needs a new operating system. The panel has many broken buttons making it hard to control. The parking lot and church exterior lighting controls and timers are in need of replacement.

The current Lithonia lighting system and its existing components will be tested and analyzed. While the lighting fixtures will remain in place, the main computer controller will be replaced as well as the access panels in the church and chapel.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

The CFF program will be expanding next year to include students from St. Joseph Parish. The Education Center is shared by CFF and the Preschool & Child Care and some rooms need to accommodate both groups. There is a discrepancy between the size of the children and the furniture in the shared classrooms.

We will purchase folding desk chairs to be used in the classrooms that are shared by the Preschool & Child Care and CFF. These will provide the flexibility necessary to seat both the little children and the middle school students in the same classroom.