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Michael R. Cusack
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Dear Mr. Cusack,

To introduce myself, I am Msgr. David Funk, the pastor of St. Pius X Church and School in Reynoldsburg Ohio. We are a parish in the Diocese of Columbus Ohio and I have been the pastor here for almost 10 years.

Our parish, over the last 10 years has set about many projects to take care of infrastructure and updating of equipment. We also saw the need to expand our facilities that our Site Planning Committee had laid out, with the help of Architect John Eberts, a 3 Phase plan of expansion for the needs of our expanding ministries.

Then came the big question, how to achieve these 3 Phases? Funding them would require a Capital Campaign. After interviewing several companies, we spoke with Joe Neville from "Guidance in Giving". Unanimously, we resolved to go with "Guidance in Giving." The process and approach was just what we were looking for and we especially liked that the company works exclusively for the Church.

Joe Neville, once we had contracted with the company, introduced us to Charles Recznik who would be resident with us to guide us. Charles was pleased with many steps we had already taken, but then through his direction, further committees were set up, training sessions accomplished, and a schedule laid out to begin our "Campaign to Renew All Things in Christ" here at St. Pius X.

Charles was with us at the first receptions in July, which generated the first funds. Then readied us in August to do a series of 11 receptions in September for advance gifts "the number of receptions was great because of the lack of facility to accommodate larger crowds – the very reason we underlined for this expansion project". At each of these receptions, Charles was so excellent in his explanation how to, why to, what this project could do for us spiritually, as individuals and as a community. This spiritual approach was just what I as a pastor wanted to be behind our project. (Not just to raise money, or to "push" people to support this project, but to support the work of Christ, be a part of it, and prepare the way for future generations at St. Pius X.)

Charles gave visible witness to us here of believing in this Campaign, and the work he does as being for Christ and His Church by being present at the beginning of each day at our parish Mass. Practicing his faith with us was very important. He worked wonderfully with our parish staff in the office. His kindness, gentleness, humor, and good nature were assets that made him so easy to work with. As our campaign progressed, his positive encouragement and outlook gave all of us great assurance we were doing the Lord's work, that He was blessing us, and that we would be successful. And all that he said has proven true.

We could not have asked for a better person than Charles to be with us and help us. Since the formal close of his office at Thanksgiving Time in November 2016, Charles has continued good follow up and encouraging contact. Again we could not have had a better guide through this process than Charles.

So, my thanks and appreciation are to him, and all of you, especially Joe Neville too, from "Guidance In Giving. We are approaching the interim goal we hoped to achieve of \$3 million. We may be able to start work on Phase 1 of the Campaign sooner than expected. And the other Phases, 2 and 3 will give us future goals to attain for St. Pius X Parish and School.

Whoever Charles goes on to help now, I am sure they will appreciate him as much as we have. He is excellent in his profession, and what I would really say is his vocation from God.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely in Christ

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "msgr. David Funk". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Msgr. David Funk,
Pastor