



April 2021

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano  
238 Jewett Avenue  
Bridgeport CT 06606

Dear Bishop Caggiano,

As you are no doubt aware, the COVID-19 pandemic has created extensive hardships for parishes across the country, many forced to find new ways to meet the spiritual needs of their communities while working with an increasingly tight budget. It is for this reason that OCP is honored to partner with communities of faith across the country through our annual OCP Parish Grants Program, aimed at supporting and enhancing the worship experience of the faithful as they begin their return to in-person celebrations. Since its inception in 2001, the OCP Parish Grants Program has awarded more than \$3.3 million to parishes throughout the United States.

Recognizing that many may not be aware of this opportunity, we seek your help in encouraging parishes in your diocese to apply.

### **2021 Application Process**

Applications for the OCP Parish Grants Program are being accepted through May 30, 2021. All applicants are required to fill out an online application at [ocp.org/parish-grants](http://ocp.org/parish-grants), providing information about their parish — demographics, pastoral ministries offered and intentions for the grant. Grant recipients will be announced in August.

### **Qualifications**

The OCP Parish Grants Program is open to all Roman Catholic parishes and campus ministry programs in the U.S. and its territories, so long as they have not received an OCP grant the previous year. Campus ministry programs must demonstrate a consistent Mass schedule. Awarded grants must be used for liturgical and/or musical purposes. Applicants do not need to currently use an OCP worship program in order to qualify.

For more information, please visit [ocp.org/parish-grants](http://ocp.org/parish-grants) or call 1-800-LITURGY (548-8749).

Thank you for helping spread the word about the OCP Parish Grants Program. We look forward to supporting you in ministry, as we come together to share the joy of our Catholic faith through shared worship and liturgy.

Yours in Christ,

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