

HOLY INNOCENTS' FOUNDATION OF OKLAHOMA CITY

"Caring for life from the beginning to the end. What a simple thing. So, go forth and don't be discouraged. Care for life. It's worth it." -from a homily in 2005 by Cardinal Bergoglio celebrating August 31.

May the Grace of our Lord and all the blessings be to you and your families.

This February, Holy Innocents' Foundation celebrates its 14th year, and we thank you for your continued support throughout the years.

As many of you know, our work began with committed adorers and counselors praying for an end to abortion. Our mission has always been to pray for *all* life issues, but at the foundation's inception, there was a heightened need to focus on closing the abortion clinic just a mere 20 feet away.

Through the dedication of our committed adorers and counselors, many lives have been saved—over 40 that we know of—and the abortion clinic has been shut down.

The chapel has also become a place of spiritual enrichment for hundreds of adorers each week who are faithful supporters as well.

However, we are facing a couple of financial challenges as we approach this Christmas season. First, our operating expenses this year have averaged \$5,500 per month. Donations per month this year have dropped 39% since last year, primarily due to 19 fewer donors. As a result, our income is running approximately \$300 per month below expenses. Should this continue, our cash reserves will soon be reduced to less than on month's expense level. Secondly, we have temporarily repaired our roof to bide time, but we need to replace it in 2025 at an estimated cost of \$30,000.

While God permits us to be challenged, He also provides opportunities for us to find solutions. A generous donor has agreed to match every dollar of donations for the roof replacement up to \$15,000. This means that due to the contributions going twice as far, if we are successful, we will have the funds to do the roof replacement before the rainy season next Spring.

On the second issue, please be assured we always endeavor to keep expenses at an absolute minimum. There are no salaries, just necessary expenses to keep the chapel open. If we could increase the current donations enough to sufficiently cover expenses and/or identify a few new or former donors, we will meet this challenge as well.

If you would like to make a gift, visit www.holyinnocentsokc.org or mail a check to Holy Innocents' Foundation of Oklahoma, P.O. Box 22171, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. Please indicate if your gift is for normal operation or for the roof challenge.

We thank you for your continued support and for joining us in prayer this Advent season for the success of this project. Please share this newsletter with your family and friends to grow our impact in saving lives.