

Frequently Asked Questions

What is One Church?

One Church: Unite Arkansas in Faith and Mission was created in 2018 to focus on the missionary spirit of all parishes in the state. One Church supports a rural mission in our diocese that needs a leg up to become a thriving community. The support for the partner parish is for a 12-month period, from September to August.

Who picks the target parish?

Bishop Anthony B. Taylor and his priest council, called the Prebyteral Council

How is the program administered?

Catholic Charities of Arkansas is available to answer questions, offer assistance, coordinate between parishes and accept donations.

What kind of help does the target parish need?

It will vary from year to year. The 2019-2020 partner is Holy Spirit Church (Ashley County). It needs funding to pay off its new church complex that was dedicated in 2013. The church is also identifying other projects that are needed to benefit the thriving community.

What are we expected to do to help?

It will depend on the needs of the partner parish and the capacity of your parish. If construction, painting or landscaping are the need, your parish might be able to furnish labor and materials or your expertise. For a parish like Holy Spirit, the initial need is financial donations to pay off their loan.

How can I get additional information to help promote this in my parish?

Contact Patrick Gallaher in Catholic Charities at <u>pgallaher@dolr.org</u> or (501) 664-0340. He can arrange for speakers to come to your parish for presentations to the parish council, parish committee or group. Speakers may be laypeople or priests who are familiar with Holy Spirit Church and can explain the community's needs.

Ongoing updates will be available at dolr.org or on social media accounts through Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Little Rock.

Where can I send a donation?

Mail a check to Catholic Charities of Arkansas, 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207, with the notation Holy Spirit, Hamburg. Make the check payable to Diocese of Little Rock-One Church. Or you can make a one-time or recurring gift at dolr.org/one-church.