



Dear St. Robert Parish Community,

We write to share an important update regarding the Archdiocese of San Francisco's bankruptcy settlement, the contribution assessed to St. Robert, and the efforts undertaken on behalf of our parish and school.

First and foremost, we hold in prayer all who have suffered sexual abuse and their families. We acknowledge the profound and lasting harm they have experienced. As part of the Catholic family of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, we recognize our shared moral responsibility to support survivors and contribute toward healing and justice. May God grant them strength, comfort, and peace.

Each parish received an individual assessment based on its financial position and ability to contribute. In reviewing our resources, the Archdiocese recognized the financial strength of St. Robert Parish and School. That recognition gives us reason for hope and confidence in the foundation our community has built and our ability to move forward together.

St. Robert Parish's assessed contribution toward the settlement is \$2.5 million. This represents a significant figure, but it also reflects the strong foundation built through generations of generosity, faithful giving, and careful stewardship. We draw hope and confidence from that strength as we work through this process and continue serving our community.

Because these resources represent the sacrifices of so many, we also felt a deep responsibility to go above and beyond in advocating for St. Robert, seeking careful consideration of the assessment's impact on our parish and school.

After receiving the assessment, our parish leadership and Finance Committee reviewed our financial circumstances and sought professional guidance. We then pursued a formal request for reconsideration, known as a *Remonstratio*, outlining our concerns about the assessment and its effect on our ability to sustain parish life, ministries, and education.

As part of that effort, we asked parishioners to sign petitions supporting this request. We sincerely thank everyone who signed and supported this process. Your participation gave voice to our community's concerns and demonstrated your deep love for St. Robert. While the *Remonstratio* did not change the outcome of the assessment, it succeeded in opening a meaningful dialogue with the Archdiocese.

Following this advocacy and prayerful discernment, we are continuing to work cooperatively with the Archdiocese on the assessment and on the questions that remain, including a responsible funding plan, which accounts may be used, and the timing of any contribution. These conversations are ongoing, and we will keep the parish community informed as they progress.

Thank you for your patience in waiting for this communication. We understand that the wait may have caused uncertainty or frustration. Our intention was to ensure that we had accurate facts, had pursued the available avenues for reconsideration, and could explain our financial path forward responsibly. We wanted to give our parish community reliable information as the details became clear.

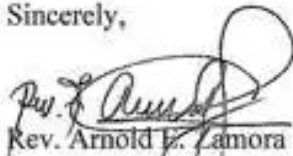
Any contribution toward the assessment will draw on resources from both the Church and the School. Careful budgeting and responsible stewardship will be essential as we move forward.

Your continued donations to our Church and financial support of our School remain very much needed. The parish and school operations, facilities, our academic program, ministries, and the services our community relies upon will continue. Your offertory contributions and ongoing generosity are essential to sustaining this work and helping us maintain financial fortitude.

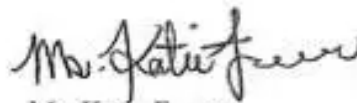
St. Robert Parish and School pride ourselves on our partnership and willingness to work together. We will face this challenge with that same spirit, remaining committed to the worship, education, and service at the heart of our mission. While this assessment asks a great deal of our community, we are moving forward with faith, care, and hope for our community's future.

We are deeply grateful for your prayers, patience, and steadfast support throughout this process. As always, we are here to listen, and we welcome your questions and concerns. Please continue to pray for survivors of abuse and their families, for St. Robert, and for our Church. Our prayers for you are abundant and overflowing.

Sincerely,



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