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Dear Friends,

Thank you so very much for the very warm reception that you have given to me and my family, here, at St. Francis. We are so blessed to be part of this congregation. After two months at St. Francis, it is very clear to me that great things are happening here, and momentum is building. This congregation is poised for growth, and it could not come a moment too soon. Our world desperately needs the hopeful message of the love of Jesus Christ, and we have the opportunity to share it.

Through the work of outreach, our gifts of music and the joys of youth and family ministry, we can show the world what it looks like to Walk in Love. And, in order to ensure that we can maximize the blessings that God has given to us, St. Francis needs your financial support. In 2020, it is our desire to build additional infrastructure to ensure the growth of our ministries. With your 2020 pledge, we can offer enhanced staff support, provide additional staffing and make new investments in ministries. As a result, we are hoping to increase pledges by \$25,000 this year. We just celebrated our 40th anniversary, and now is precisely the time that we need to make the investments that will determine the next 40 years and the next 400 years of St. Francis.

Please join Spitzzi and me in making your 2020 financial pledge to St. Francis. Your pledge card is enclosed, and I hope that you will bring your pledge card when we celebrate our stewardship season at our Octoberfest on Saturday, October 26th at 4:00 pm. I hope that you can join us. Together, we can offer the blessings of this congregation to the entire world and bring us all a bit closer to the Love of God.

In Christ,

Brendan Barnicle

The Rev. Brendan J. Barnicle
Rector