



The National Shrine of  
**Our Lady of Walsingham**

## Restore The Holy House

A National Shrine with roots to the 1570's

- Jesuits were martyred in this vicinity according to historical records
- Petition from W&M professor and students creates a chapel in 1932 and Saint Bede parish in 1939
- Father Walsh's pilgrimage to Walsingham inspires the dedication to Our Lady of Walsingham
- A place for students, faculty, the USO and visitors- a Holy House of refuge when away from home
- The Shrine, along with the Saint John XXIII Center, are parish assets of Saint Bede and maintained by the parish

Problem: Aging infrastructure- beyond its useful life

- Since the completion of the Ironbound Church in 2003, Saint Bede has continued to perform regular maintenance along with infrastructure upgrades on an as-needed basis with no capital campaign
- No major capital requests have been made of the parishioners for more than 15 years
- Since 2013, Saint Bede has provided \$500,000 in maintenance and support to the Shrine in excess of donations to the Shrine maintenance and building fund
- Major portions of the interior have reached the end of their intended lifespan
- Contributions to the building and maintenance fund are not adequate to cover basic operations, much less capital improvements
- As a National Shrine and a place of worship for local Catholics, students, alumni, and visitors, we need to invest in capital improvements or the facility will close

Our Impact- who do we serve at the Shrine?

- Daily Mass, Daily Adoration, 2 Sunday Masses during the school year, holiday and Holy Day Masses, Legion of Mary events, rosary and Divine Mercy devotions, historical lectures and pilgrimages
- Parishioners, students, faculty, alumni, visitors
- The Shrine is the spiritual home to Catholic Campus Ministry but is not directly supported by the diocese or the College of William & Mary

How do we Restore The Holy House?

- Modernize and bring into ADA compliance
- Apply for Historic Designation- tax credit opportunity
- Interior renovation- floors, ceilings, infrastructure- HVAC/plumbing/electrical
- Liturgical and historic updates- tabernacle, altar, flow and accessibility, the Walsingham story and "branding", the connection to Williamsburg and W&M



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### Urgency

- Flooring and other finishes are beyond their useful life and if not replaced, we would be at risk of closing the facility
- Infrastructure cannot be repaired any longer, it requires replacement
- Accessibility and ADA compliance puts us at risk
- Due to its extensive use, we need to work in a very tight timeframe so as to best continue our ability to meet the spiritual needs of those attending the Shrine

### How can you help?

- Pray for the spiritual and material needs of those who rely on the Shrine, its programs and services for their spiritual journey
- Make a sacrificial gift to support the capital campaign (for up to 3 years)
- Help spread the word to others you know who value the Shrine for its history and the many opportunities for worship
- Note that the House of Mercy and CCM currently share occupancy at the Saint John XXIII Center and any renovation to those facilities is not included in this request

### Anticipated Budget:

HVAC replacement, duct work	160,000
Flooring replacement (50 year flooring)	400,000
Interior paint, insulation, repair	270,000
Electrical (new/upgraded service, lighting)	225,000
Pew Replacement/Refurbish	55,000
Bathroom Additions (2) and plumbing upgrades	150,000
Remediation	25,000
Parking Lot restructure	30,000
Landscape and other	25,000
Project management	60,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,400,000</b>

### Potential Timeline- Begins when we have \$1,400,000 in commitments\*

January 27, 2019	Campaign announcement
January- March 2019	Leadership Campaign
March- May 2019	General Campaign
May 2019	Construction commencement*