

Dear Family and Friends,

As some of you know, \_\_\_\_\_ was, and I still am, active at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL) was founded in 1883 to serve the Czech and Slovak community. Over the years it has also grown to serve a vibrant Hispanic population. The parish is in need of help.

The building is in dire need of repair, with estimates of at least \$350,000. Thankfully, the National Fund for Sacred Places has approved a matching grant of \$175,000, which means to get the money, we need to raise the remaining \$175,000 ourselves. This project is crucial to preserve the integrity of this historic property by addressing existing masonry and brick damage, preventing further deterioration, and safeguarding the structure.

In addition to its spiritual mission, OLOL also serves the community through the food pantry, assistance during Christmas time, and a variety of activities that promote social and cultural fellowship. These initiatives help support those in need.

**I am sending this email to everyone I know because saving the church would have been very important to \_\_\_\_\_ . Any donation is appreciated.** If you want to donate in his memory, it is ***very important that you specify it is for the Matching Sacred Places Grant.***

**You can donate with the following link** <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZH4G/campaign/C-16448> (Please send an email to OLOL [olol@ourladyoflourdes-cle.com](mailto:olol@ourladyoflourdes-cle.com) stating that you gave to the Matching Sacred Places grant online in \_\_\_\_\_ memory because there is no way to designate that using the direct link.)

**You can mail a check to:** Our Lady of Lourdes, 3395 East 53rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44127 (Please note it is in \_\_\_\_\_ memory for the Matching Sacred Places Grant.)

**For donor advisory funds choose:** Our Lady of Lourdes, 3395 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, Cleveland, Ohio 34-0733173. (Please note it is in \_\_\_\_\_ memory for the Matching Sacred Places Grant.)

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Kathy Hrabik