

## Campaign Statistical Update

### Block I Parishes

Parishes: 28  
Goal: \$6,410,000  
Pledged: \$6,098,247  
Percent of Goal: 95%  
Number of Gifts: 1,594

### Campaign Total

Goal: \$50,000,000  
Pledged: \$14,745,202  
Percent of Goal: 29%  
Number of Gifts: 2,309

## Our Faith-Our Hope Receives \$2 Million Gift!

Archbishop Johnson is visiting families and asking for gifts at extraordinary levels. As a result of his efforts, he recently received a generous pledge of \$2 million!

## GRACE CHURCH, MARKHAM SHOOTS FOR THE ROOF!

Grace Church, Markham has spent the past few months learning what it means to 're-imagine,' a major theme of their local *Our Faith – Our Hope* campaign. They focused their efforts and message on re-imagining what it means to be Anglican in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, re-imagining how to define and celebrate parish success, and re-imagining the relationships between parishioners in their church community.

Their campaign was a success beyond just numbers, though they did achieve 110% of goal with \$372,915 pledged overall. From the start, The Reverend Canon John Read and Campaign Chairperson Rogers Gardham wanted this experience to be enjoyable and fun. In order to



Volunteers at Grace Church, Markham celebrate their success.

highlight their need of a new and improved roof, they created a campaign slogan, "Let's Aim High: Let's Shoot for the Roof," and a graph designed in the shape of their parish hall that displayed the number of pledged commitments.

With a strong and energetic Campaign Executive Committee, willing to

dedicate their time and talents, the energy among parishioners was contagious - more than 30 volunteers participated in some aspect of the campaign. Mr. Gardham admits, "We achieved a new understanding of who we are, we've been strengthened as a community, and most of us are still in a state of disbelief that 'we did it!'"

## Youngest Giver Pledges \$1 Per Week

Each week, more and more Anglicans are moved by the vision of the Our Faith-Our Hope campaign, calling all parishioners of every age to re-imagine Church. Amazingly, one of our youngest parishioners, a ten-year-old member of one of the Block I parishes, chose to pledge a dollar of her weekly allowance to the effort. Her commitment of \$260 over five years, will serve to strengthen our Diocese for her generation and beyond.