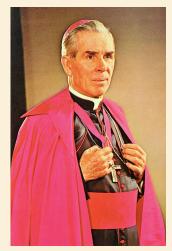


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RCHBISHOP Fulton J. Sheen once had a conversation with a taxi driver as he was being driven to the Second Vatican Council. The taxi driver asked: "You are going to the Council?" Sheen replied: "I am." The driver continued: "You're going to make important decisions for the Church and world?" Sheen said: "That's correct." Then the taxi driver said something Sheen often recounted: "Yet, if I drive my taxi well, I go to heaven; but if you do your job poorly, you go to hell." In other words, each of us has a <u>vocation</u> from God. We believe Watershed must move forward. In spite of our flaws and failings, there is nothing even remotely like what we're trying to offer. We must accept this vocation. It's exciting, but also scary. I never realized how many people we reach, and was blown away a few months ago when the analytics revealed our "website numbers" thousands and thousands. *Laus Deo*!



**Corpus Christi Watershed must never be placed behind a pay wall.** We never want to run obnoxious "pop-up" advertisements. Our resources (rehearsal videos, articles, scores, rare books, etc.) must remain free to the world. We have so many plans and ideas we desire—with God's Grace—to accomplish. Indeed, one reason we hate asking for money is because it takes us away from our musical projects. We feel like we're just getting started; the future is bright! And we want to do better for you: making sure our resources and website are top-notch. We've learned so much; we're ready to work!

**I've seen Catholic websites that constantly beg for money.** Some organizations have constant advertisements, constant pop-ups, constant appeals: "give us money, give us money, give us money." Corpus Christi Watershed has nothing at all: no major donors, no endowment, no savings. But I believe God wants it that way—so we can be purified. We're tempted to rebel against God; so we require purification. And the fact that we rely on small donations seems (in my humble opinion) to be a way JESUS CHRIST can help purify our actions, helping us obtain a pure intention.

We ask you to join us. We ask you to support us. We need everyone's help, even if you can only afford \$3.00 per month or \$5.00 per month.

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Sincerely, in our Lord Jesus Christ,

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