ST. JOSEPH PARISH
CRESCENT SPRINGS

WHY A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IS NEEDED

It is the mission of St. Joseph's to bring everyone in the Villa Hills and Crescent Springs community to the knowledge of Christ's love. As we live our faith and build our future, there are several challenges that face us. It is because of these challenges that a capital campaign is underway. The campaign will look to improve and create spaces of worship and fellowship to bring our parish and our community closer to Christ.

95 percent agreed with the need to repair, upgrade and expand our facilities.
(From 161 parishioners who completed the survey)

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agreement

26
years

26 years since the last capital campaign was completed and many of our facilities are in need of repairs, replacement and updates

45 ministries / groups utilize our facilities with an average of 150 meetings each month

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PRIORITY LIST

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- Replace the roof over the church and rectory.
- Fix leaks at the foundation.
- Add elevator to transport people from church and hall level.
- Install new bathrooms on church and hall levels.
- Install new efficient and quiet HVAC.
- Renovate Noll Hall creating welcoming spaces and a healthy environment for our school cafeteria.

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- Update Sanctuary to draw the focus towards the Sacrament of the Eucharist.
- Update Noll Hall façade so the entry area can be used for open-air gatherings and outdoor classroom.
- Create a STEAM Lab for our school students.
- Supply a contingency fund for any unforeseen costs or issues.

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- Build new parish office with accessibility for all, large and small meeting spaces and room for growth.
- Redirect rainwater away from the foundation through regrading and repaving the parking lots.

Learn more: www.stjosephcrescent.com/capitalcampaign

FAQs

WHEN WILL THE WORK BEGIN?

We can begin work once we have the pledges in place and 50% of the funds in hand for each project. The projects have been prioritized and will begin based on need, cost efficiency and time efficiency.

WILL A PORTION OF THE DONATIONS GO TO THE DIOCESE?

No, the Bishop is allowing 100% of the funds generated through this campaign to stay at St. Joseph's.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OVERAGE FUNDS RAISED IN PAST DPAA?

An account was created for DPAA overages to set this money aside. Because of the water damage and the interrelated projects needed to maintain a dry facility, the updated Noll Hall façade has not been able to begin. Along with additional funds procured through this capital campaign, these DPAA funds will help to complete the Noll Hall/façade renovations as originally stated.

ARE PARISHIONERS INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECTS?

Yes! Wonderful professional volunteers have stepped forward to provide oversite of the development plans. We have engineers, architects, builders and designers who have volunteered and offered their expert services to help keep costs down and drive efficiency in the work.

HOW WILL THIS WORK BRING PARISHIONERS TO OUR PARISH AND FULFILL OUR MISSION?

There are multiple plans in place to use this campaign to bring parishioners through our doors. First, the campaign itself is designed to get many parishioners involved and working as a community to build the church. We hope this process makes parishioners feel welcomed, connected and driven to participate in worship and fellowship. Parishioners will be asked to prayerfully consider how God is calling them to stewardship, which can reignite individual relationships with God. Second, new meeting spaces will be created and old spaces updated to allow for more activities onsite, strengthening our community. Lastly, an altar space that draws the focus toward the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist will serve as a reminder of the beauty and importance of this holy, living Sacrifice of the Mass.

IS A NEW PARISH OFFICE REALLY NEEDED OR CAN WE REPAIR THE OLD BUILDING?

While the current parish office has history with our parish, the structure is deteriorating and does not meet the needs of the parish. The first issue is access. To enter the building, you must walk stairs or use a steep ramp that enters through the kitchen rather than the main entrance. The basement and second floor require a flight of stairs as well. The second issue is space. The current office has one small conference room that doubles as storage space, there is not enough office space for any additional staff and the 1st floor bathroom is about the size of an airplane bathroom. Additional issues relate to age and footprint of the building. Some electric is original to building, the basement storage is damp and does not allow for easy access to records or festival materials, and the building needs a new roof, new paint and new plumbing. The plans for a new build would address all of these issues and then some.

IS THERE A RECOMMENDATION ON HOW MUCH EACH FAMILY SHOULD GIVE?

No, all parishioners are asked to spend time in prayer asking God, "Lord, what do You want to do through me to accomplish Your will at our church?" One of the underlying themes of the "Living Our Faith Building Our Future" program is "Not Equal Gifts, But Equal Sacrifice." This is based on the biblical principle of proportionality. We will each have different capabilities to give, but we can each give with the same level of love and sacrifice. As is the recommendation for all decisions in life, before you decide what you will contribute, please spend time in prayer.