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BUDGET YOUR GIFT

over the Three-Year Pledge Period

Selecting the best gift plan depends on one's personal financial situation. Please pray, visit with your family and consult with your financial advisor about which method will work best for you.

Pledge Payment Schedule

Total Gift	Suggested Initial 10% Investment	Payment Plans After Initial Investment						
		Daily*	Weekly*	Monthly	Quarterly	Semi-Annual	Annual	
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$41.10	\$288.46	\$1,250	\$3,750	\$7,500	\$15,000	
\$30,000	\$3,000	\$24.66	\$173.08	\$750	\$2,250	\$4,500	\$9,000	
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$12.33	\$86.54	\$375	\$1,125	\$2,250	\$4,500	
\$9,000	\$900	\$7.40	\$51.92	\$225	\$675	\$1,350	\$2,700	
\$7,200	\$720	\$5.92	\$41.54	\$180	\$540	\$1,080	\$2,160	
\$6,000	\$600	\$4.93	\$34.62	\$150	\$450	\$900	\$1,800	
\$4,500	\$450	\$3.70	\$25.96	\$113	\$338	\$675	\$1,350	
\$3,000	\$300	\$2.47	\$17.31	\$75	\$225	\$450	\$900	

**To minimize administrative costs, we recommend monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual installments. The daily and weekly figures are provided for illustration only.*



DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN JESUS,

Two years ago I left my post at St. Fidelis Church to begin my work with you and the community at St. John. I am pleased to say it didn't take long for me to feel welcomed and comfortable. Because of your welcoming spirit, I now have an understanding of the love, dedication and desire for spiritual growth which permeates throughout our parish and school.

It is with much excitement and anticipation I invite you to join your fellow parishioners and me in embracing St. John's *Preserving our Past... Building our Future!* While advancements have been made with Phase I of the overall building plan, we still face challenges with our facilities. This campaign is designed to meet those challenges and to ensure we continue as a vibrant Catholic community.

Please carefully review the rest of this document. As you contemplate your decision and how you may ensure the success of our campaign, I encourage you to contact me at your convenience with your questions and concerns.

Your generous financial contribution will benefit all of us and assure now, and for decades to come, that we have a place to gather, celebrate and make friends and a place to recreate. May we be generous as our loving God blesses us in order for us to bless others!

Your brother,

ONE CAMPAIGN, TWO PURPOSES

TO SERVE OUR PARISH

The Simon Parish Center is steeped in over 150 years of parish history. Designed as a rectory, the office houses 11 staff members and numerous volunteers. The office is used for staff meetings and by volunteer leaders hosting ministry meetings.

Although we love the comfortable informality of this building, it does not meet the administrative needs of the parish.

Lacks Confidentiality – It is difficult for staff to engage in confidential conversations with parishioners because of the close quarters and nature of the center’s original construction.

Inappropriate Use of Facilities – What was originally intended to be a porch has been converted to four offices. This space is difficult to heat and cool. Staff are unable to access two of our offices without walking through others’ offices or meeting space.

Inadequate Conference Room – The conference room is open to an adjoining office which makes private meetings impossible. The room is too small to accommodate meetings of more than eight people. The room lacks meeting technology, such as projectors, computer ports, smart boards or remote conferencing equipment.

Lack of Working Space for Ministries and Parish Administration – St. John operates 63 ministries with 11 staff and numerous volunteers. Some staff are doubled up in single offices which complicates meetings and conversations. Our ministries also require meeting and work space. When staff is unable to share their work areas, volunteers must make other arrangements. This can be inconvenient and limits the effectiveness of our ministries.

Absence of Large Event Facilities – The parish does not have a room that can accommodate 150 people. This limits our ability to host social justice seminars, receptions and other medium to large events.

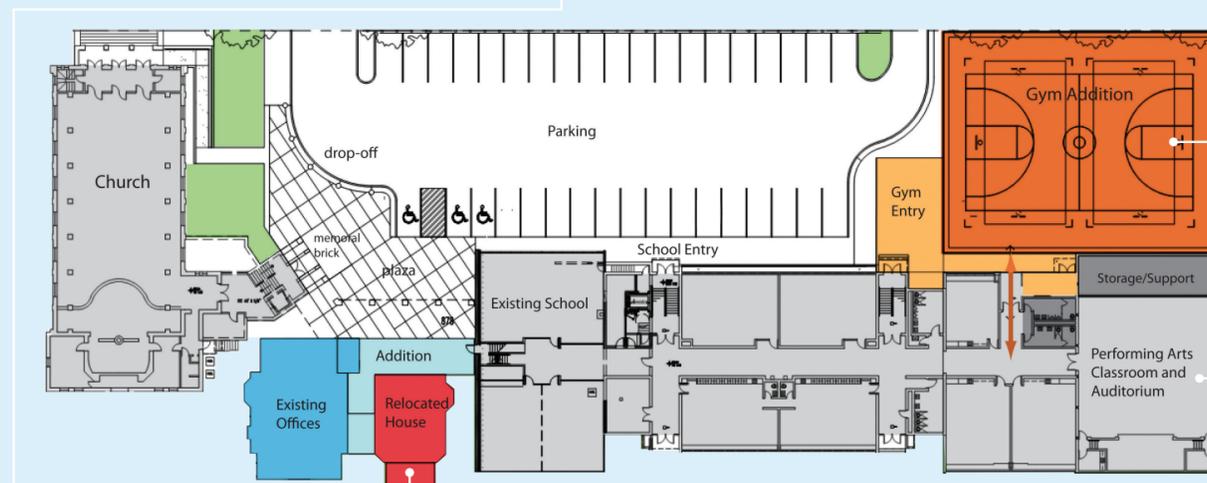
TO SERVE OUR YOUTH

The current gymnasium met the needs of elementary students 30 years ago, but times have changed and so have the needs of our children. Enrollment has increased and parish youth are involved in many more sports activities. Our small gym is inadequate to the task required.

- Our parish league athletic teams must play all their games at other, regulation-sized gyms. Our gym is so small, many of our teams cannot use it for practice.
- The gym schedule is so packed, several school teams are forced to use the facility at odd hours.
- There are no accommodations for spectators.
- The multi-use nature of the space as a gym and auditorium further complicates the use of the facility.

PRESERVE AND BUILD

To address these challenges, St John will construct a new gymnasium and expand our parish offices. To meet the parish’s administrative needs, the former Sisters of Charity convent will be moved alongside the Simon Parish Offices. In this plan, both buildings will be preserved and renovated to maximize their utility as office space. The renovation will create an additional conference room with capacity for 20 people and offices for 14 staff and volunteers.



To meet our need for suitable athletic facilities, St. John needs your help to build a new, ADA accessible gymnasium on the site of the Sisters of Charity convent. The gym will feature a regulation high school basketball court of 84 feet by 50 feet to be used as two half-sized courts or two regulation volleyball courts.

It will include:

- ACTIVITY DIVIDER CURTAIN
- CONCESSION STAND AND SERVING KITCHEN
- EQUIPMENT STORAGE AREA
- PORTABLE BASKETBALL GOALS
- PORTABLE BLEACHERS
- RESTROOMS
- VOLLEYBALL NETS

With the addition of the new gymnasium, the old gym will be repurposed as a performing arts and event center. The center will feature dressing rooms, an enlarged stage, improved lighting and sound, including an audio-video control booth, and increased storage.



“BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT, CHILDREN OF THE SCHOOL AND MEMBERS OF THE PARISH WILL BENEFIT GREATLY, AS IT WILL ALLOW MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR US IN THE ST JOHN FAMILY.”

- Jacob Goos, sixth grade student

“IF YOU SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN, YOU ROCK!”

- Luke Cast, third grade student



A VIBRANT FUTURE

Support for this campaign ensures a vibrant future for our community. *Your support:*

Assures our children receive a Catholic education with strong moral direction through the eighth grade.

Puts our students and parish youth on an equal footing with other children in Lawrence.

Gives our children a place to realize and display their God-given talent and potential and allows the rest of us the opportunity to see the beauty of those talents.

Promotes a diverse and thriving parish, blessed with young families.

Allows staff to better support our parish.

Provides an exceptional venue where we may gather in large numbers to learn, celebrate and participate in the special events of our community.

Helps our ministries in their missions to serve the poor and the hungry and to build community.

Allows us to stay connected to our past by preserving historic buildings on our campus.

Maintains our homey, “drop-in” culture at the parish office.

Positions St. John to pursue its mission more effectively.



BUDGET

Gym Addition (w/equipment).....	\$2,079,741
Gym Connector.....	\$297,301
House Move with basement.....	\$180,102
Existing Church Offices.....	\$253,860
Office/School Connector.....	\$122,120
Existing School Gym remodel.....	\$228,513
Site work - Demo, parking/landscaping/fencing/lighting.....	\$121,240
Materials testing.....	\$16,500
Phase II Total.....	\$3,299,376

CAMPAIGN GOAL \$3,300,000

METHODS OF GIVING

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Ways to Make a Gift to *Preserving our Past... Building our Future!*

Selecting the best way to give your gift depends greatly on your personal financial situation. Keep in mind that tax laws change and each member’s financial situation is unique. You are encouraged to pray, consult with your family and financial adviser to determine the best manner to make a pledge to the *Preserving our Past... Building our Future!* appeal.

PLEDGES

Pledges are commitments you make in good faith. They are not legally binding. You may want to consider stretching your pledge over the duration of the three-year appeal. Your commitment can be fulfilled through monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual installments. We encourage donors to consider a 10 percent initial payment.

CASH

Gifts made by cash or check are the most common and provide St. John with the most flexibility as we build the gymnasium and expand parish offices.

CREDIT CARD

Payment can be made with any major credit card.

However, we will gratefully accept gifts in various forms, including those listed here:

- REAL ESTATE
- SECURITIES
- PLANNED GIFTS
- LIFE INSURANCE
- CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS