



2020 Vision: Called to Holiness Capital Campaign

Over \$821,000 Pledged!!

Due to the generous response of parishioners and school families, the total amount pledged to our Capital Campaign is currently at **\$821,097** including a **\$276,308** total in payments. This amount is the result of approximately 230 gifts to the campaign. Thank you to all who have responded thus far.

Thank you to everyone who made the pledge(s) that put us “over the top” of at least the bottom end of our goal of \$800,000. I can’t wait to celebrate that with you, as a preview of the celebration when we reach the top end of \$1,000,000! Remember, we are hoping for the participation of everyone who calls St. Mary’s their spiritual home.

At the last meeting of our intrepid Project Management Task Force on October 30th, (Me, Roy Voglezon, Charlie Adams, Roger Brown, Dave Clink, Jim Macaluso, Don Ramsey, and Lou Rizzo) the boys and I were pleased that bids and estimates were coming in on the Campaign’s initial **priorities**:

- The **New Media Center** (a **re-made School Library** with state-of-the-art-technology. Chromebooks for all students, courtesy of the 2017 Gala proceeds, was just the start. I hope to report some *very* exciting news on what’s next soon!)
- The **New Parking lot** (all fixed-up, all cleaned-up, and fewer, lower speed bumps.)
- ✓ The **New Rectory Roof** (if only the Lady of the House lapped up the leaks from the ceiling after each rain, then we could perhaps get by; but Queen Nina prefers her water served in a bowl. She jumps for joy at your generosity.)

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- **New Coating and Gutters on the Main Church Roof** (Look at the bricks by the Baptistry windows on the Joseph-side entrance, then go in front of the Parish Office on Mary's side and look up at the Main Church roof. Case closed.)
- **New Front Doors for Our Lady's Chapel** (Like the old ones, only new. This is a relatively inexpensive yet "priceless" improvement, especially since these are "the nose on our face" appearance-wise.)
- **The New Main Church Cooling Tower** (Big Ol' Bessie is patched up for now, but she leaks like Niagara Falls, blows her top like Mt. St. Helen's, and sounds like a cement mixer. This was not on the "original list", but if you don't want to hear me start my weekly homilies with "You think it's hot in *here...*", then this is a necessary Campaign priority.)
- **The New and improved Parish Multi-Purpose Shed** (Food Pantry, Maintenance, Kitchen Supplies & Scouts Supplies)

And that's just for starters. Please continue to pray for the success of our Campaign, and please pledge if you haven't already. **Thank You!**

In Jesus the Lord,

Fr. Baer

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 Please try to get your pledge card in as soon as possible. This will help reduce the number of contacts that our volunteers will need to make. Remember – we are hoping for the participation of everyone who calls St. Mary's their spiritual home.

Every Gift is Important

Please keep in mind that every gift, no matter the size, is most needed and appreciated. We are only looking for the Pledge at this time. How and when you make your payments is up to you.



Thank You for your Generosity!!

Please return your Pledge Card today!