



Frequently Asked Questions

About Continuing The Vision--The campaign for SS. Peter and Paul School

Q. What is the SS. Peter and Paul School Capital Campaign?

A. *It is a five year Capital fund raising campaign to raise \$2,500,000 for renovation, upgrading, remodeling and expansion of our parish school.*

Q. What will the funds be used for?

A. *Funds derived from the campaign will be applied toward three major objectives: Renovation, repair and upgrading of our school infrastructure. Interior remodeling to better accommodate instructional and security improvements, and provide convenient access for school programs. Constructing a Multi-purpose facility to better provide for sports activities, group meetings and school events.*

Q. Why is it necessary now?

A. *Current conditions within the school threaten its future and it is also necessary to provide adequate space and facilities for expanding activities. From an economic standpoint, delay in the project will add significantly to renovation and construction costs.*

Q. Who authorized the project?

A. *After several years of comprehensive research and "band aid" repairs to the school, Parish leaders, members of our finance committee, school board, and Parish council authorized the project with the enthusiastic support of our Pastor and Bishop.*

Q. Are parishioners to be assessed?

A. *Absolutely not. Guidelines for budgeted sacrificial giving may be suggested, but the amount is strictly up to the individual. Please be reminded that all gifts or pledges to the Campaign are over and above your regular weekly offertory commitment that is critical to regular parish operations.*

Q. Who is asked to participate?

A. *All parishioners, selected community friends of Saints Peter and Paul and out-of-town alumni are to be contacted.*

Q. In what order will the objectives be completed?

A. *Based on responses from parishioners in the previous needs assessment review, the Parish Steering Committee proposed these capital improvements in the following order of implementation:*

- 1. New kitchen, commons area, early childhood area, corridors*
- 2. Renovate administrative offices, repair and upgrade main floor of existing school, create new sickroom and restrooms*
- 3. Begin construction of multi-purpose building*
- 4. Relocate and upgrade library, computer lab, science and 8th grade rooms*
- 5. Finalize elevator plans, new parking lots, storage areas*

Q. When will the solicitation begin?

A. *Solicitation of pacesetter lead gifts began in late March of this year. Subsequent solicitations will be conducted in phases that will conclude in late May, 2008.*

Q. Must I make a pledge?

A. *All gifts are welcome. However, one-time out-of-pocket giving will not enable us to meet our goal. Because our goal is very ambitious, parishioners are urged to give sacrificially and increase the effectiveness of their gifts by pledging and budgeting it over a five year period.*

Q. How are gifts made?

A. *You will be contacted by a campaign volunteer and asked for a gift/pledge to this appeal. A 20% payment with your pledge would be very helpful. Your signing a pledge card does not constitute any legal obligation, but a moral intent.*

Q. What is my share?

A. *Your gift should be based on the dictates of your conscience. A budgeted giving chart guide is included in the brochure.*

Q. What constitutes a gift?

A. *Any negotiable assets of realistic market value may be given. Stocks, bonds, commodities, real estate, paid up insurance policies or annuities are some alternatives to cash.*

Q. Is my gift tax deductible?

A. *Yes, all contributions to our renewal campaign are deductible in accordance with Federal and Missouri State Laws.*

Q. Will memorial opportunities be available?

A. *Yes. Gifts to the campaign may be made to perpetuate the name or memory of a friend or loved one.*

Q. How will pledges be paid?

A. *Each donor will receive a reminder and return envelope in accordance with his or her stated method of payment, annual, semi-annual, quarterly, monthly or as best accommodates the donor. Checks should be made payable to SSPP Capital Campaign.*

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS

Many companies allow their employees to direct their charitable giving through matching gifts. When an employee notifies the company that he/she made a charitable donation, the company will make a gift of the same amount, and in some cases double the amount, to the same charitable organization (SSPP School).

Below is a partial list of companies with matching gift programs. Even if you do not find your employer on this list, be sure to check with your human resources office, personnel department, or community relations office to find out if you can double your gift at no additional cost.

3M; Affinity Corporation; ALCO; American Express Foundation; Bank of America; Nations Bank Foundation; Chevron USA; DST Systems; Fidelity Investments Gifts Fund; Freddie Mac Foundation; GTE; H & R Block; Hallmark; IBM Corporation; IKON; Intel; Kaufman Foundation; Kemper Ins.; Kennecott; McDonnell Douglas Foundation; Pfizer; Phillips Petroleum; Quaker Oats; Sprint Foundation; State Farm Insurance; Transamerica Foundation; Unilever; Union Pacific and the UPS Foundation.

Budgeted Giving Will Mean Success: To raise \$2,500,000 will require sacrificial giving from each of us. We are not suggesting that you deprive yourself or your loved ones of life necessities... just put God in your budget! It is surprising how a little money each week or month can add up a truly meaningful gift.