## **BUILT ON FAITH**

## **BEGINNINGS**



The original buildings at Saint Mary's began in 1963. They included classrooms and a multipurpose assembly space that served as the community's first sanctuary for worship. That space serves today as a parish hall as well as our school's cafeteria and gymnasium. It also functions as an assembly space for parish events.

The families who came together as the first parishioners, and whose children were the first students at Saint Mary's Catholic School, forged a new Catholic community built on the foundation set by the apostles and prophets and with Christ at its center. Among them there was energy and fellowship: a young community coming together, filled with the Spirit, eager to build our parish and school and to gather as the body of Christ.

Today, nearly 60 years later, we see how the faith of those first families has grown and flourished. As members of this school and parish, we join ourselves to that same faith. We believe that it is right and just – our duty and our salvation – to give God thanks and to act in the service of others.

"You are no longer strangers ... you are fellow citizens with the holy ones and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ as the cornerstone. In him you are being built together into a dwelling place of God in the spirit: a community built on faith."

Ephesians 2:19-22

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## **GATHER**

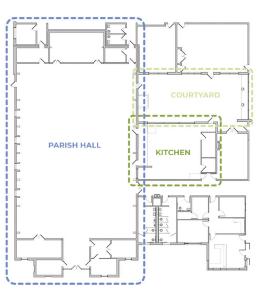


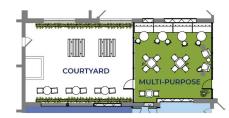
As we raise funds to renovate our first sanctuary, we are planning for our future. As we improve and update this vital gathering space, we are aware how important it is that we do gather as the body of Christ: for ministry, for worship and to celebrate the Eucharist, to play together, to share meals and to learn together as members of one community, built on faith.





Our Built on Faith Campaign will allow us to replace the flooring in the parish hall. We will add a stage that can serve as the altar space during the celebration of Mass, and will improve school assemblies and performances. A fire-safety sprinkler system will be added. Retractable bleachers and basketball nets, as well as a digital scoreboard, will enable us to host basketball and volleyball games. The existing kitchen will be expanded and updated to better serve both our parish's ministry needs and our school's cafeteria. The school garden will get a new home on our grounds and the school's courtyard space will be partially enclosed and air-conditioned.



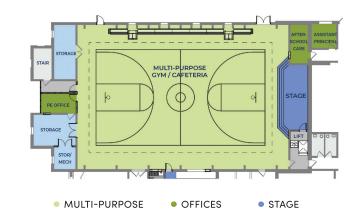






We can't do this without your help. We are so thankful for the many ways you support our community. As with the loaves and fishes, Jesus takes our gifts and multiplies the goodness done in his name. Please prayerfully consider what you can give to the Built on Faith Campaign at Saint Mary's. Your pledge to this project is an act of confidence in God and one another that will help our school and parish continue to thrive as a community built on faith.

EXISTING



STORAGE

GYM/CAFETERIA

\$1,550,000

New Project Total

Costs Balance



\$950,000 2018 Renovation Mortgage



\$2,500,000

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Total Campaign Goal