

1. **What are the benefits to me, the donor?** St. Paul Catholic Church is far more than the buildings where we gather. Giving to the Building Community...Building Church Campaign is a tax deductible investment in our faith and future. This unique opportunity unites all parishioners as a People of God dedicated to the advancement of the Church's pastoral, educational and charitable missions.
2. **How much should I give, and who will be asked to support the campaign?** We ask each parish family to make a three-year financial commitment that is over and above their regular, offertory giving. It is our hope that every parish family will make a truly sacrificial pledge. We realize everyone cannot pledge the same because we all have different financial resources. We are not asking for equal giving. We are asking for equal sacrifice. We ask that each family contribute something, and that their pledge is meaningful and sacrificial to them.
3. **Can I make my pledge online?** Yes, we have set up an online page where you may make a pledge to the campaign or make a one-time gift to Building Community, Building Church. To give online please go to bit.do/stpaul
4. **To what extent is a campaign commitment tax deductible?** Gifts to the Building Community, Building Church Campaign are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. The application of such laws varies with individual circumstances. Donors with specific questions regarding tax deductibility should contact their attorney or financial advisor.
5. **How will the campaign funds affect parish offertory?** Throughout our building project, parishioners will be asked to make pledges above and beyond regular Sunday giving, so we do not expect to see any decrease in the Sunday offertory. In some other parishes, similar campaigns have actually caused increases in parish offertory giving by raising the sights of parishioners and bolstering their commitment to the church.
6. **How will I be recognized for my commitment?** The most important recognition you will receive is ultimately that of God Himself; remember that God is not outdone in generosity! Our parish will also recognize your gift; donor recognition is a significant feature of every capital campaign. In addition, certain items and buildings are available as naming opportunities to recognize significant gifts to the campaign.
7. **Is my pledge legally binding?** A pledge is not legally binding; it is a gift, one you have made through your own discernment process with God. All we ask is that you do your best to fulfill your pledge and advise us of any changes that may affect your commitment, so that we can plan accordingly.
8. **Will any of the funds be shared with our diocesan office or be used for purposes other than those outlined in the campaign materials?** No, in accordance with Canon Law (Universal Church Law) the funds donated to the campaign will be used solely for the purposes set forth in the campaign materials. Funds are held in a special account that restricts the use to the priorities set forth by the Building Community, Building Church campaign.
9. **Why are donors asked to complete a pledge card?** Pledge cards aid in appropriately recording and acknowledging commitments and in providing donors with a reminder of

subsequent payments according to the schedule they request. Donors are asked to sign the pledge card, indicating that they have authorized the terms of the gift as reported on the card. (The pledge card is not considered a legally binding document.)

10. **What is the timeline of the church renovation project?** Much of this depends on how the capital campaign is going. Contingent upon available funds, we hope to begin construction of the new school gymnasium during the summer of 2017 with the renovation and conversion of the existing gymnasium into the Parish Community Center to follow.
11. **Can you make your pledges to the parish center only?** Yes. Please indicate this on your pledge card. An easy way to do this is to purchase memorial shares for the Parish Center. Parish Center Memorials are labeled as C-17 on the memorial brochure and are listed at \$5000 each. There is no limit on how many shares you may purchase.
12. **Can you make your pledges to the school gymnasium only?** Yes, and this answer is similar to the response above. Please indicate on your pledge card you want your gift used for the gym only. An easy way to do this is to purchase memorial shares for the Basketball / Volleyball Court or bleachers. There are unlimited shares available and are listed at \$3600 each share. There is no limit on how many shares you may purchase. See the memorial brochure. The Basketball / Volleyball Court is C-16. The bleachers are G-21.
13. **What is the second floor of the gym for?** The second floor of the gym is for school multipurpose rooms like conferences, meetings, and school activities, potential flex classrooms, etc.
14. **What about our current debt?** Our current debt is 1.8 million. We have paid this down from the 3 million it was in 2009. Typically this is paid monthly through our regular offertory and Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) funds received over what our goal was for that year.
15. **Should we pay off all of our debt** before we build anything else? Our Parish Finance Council and Parish Pastoral Council have repeatedly advised over the years we should focus on growth and service the monthly debt each month. This reflects our parish philosophy that we are a parish in constant mission mode rather than simply seeking to maintain the status quo.

The great news is you have achieved over 15 million in new construction and renovation over the last 10 years, and we only owe 1.8 million. That is fantastic! The funds we borrowed, we borrowed from our diocesan bank. So all money we pay back is kept within our diocese and the Church of Pensacola-Tallahassee.
16. **Did we make our Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) goal last year?** Yes we did and we exceeded it. We have exceeded our CSA goal every year for at least the last 20 years.
17. **How are we doing financially** on a regular basis? Our parish does well financially. We are always within our proposed operating budget for each fiscal year. Most of our operating expenses are paid through our regular offertory and CSA over goal funds.
18. **Are the proposed parish center and gym plans final?** At this time, November 2016, they are not final. We currently have conceptual drawings based on much input from our parishioners. Of course we can't build every item each person wants or the way each

person wants it because that is simply not possible. However, we are willing to construct anything for which the majority of our people are willing to pay. That is, our capacity to build is only limited by the funds with which we have to work.

19. **Will there be showers** in the gym? No.
20. **Do we have enough parking?** Parking for a neighborhood church is usually a challenge and we are no exception. Although parking is at a premium, we are in compliance with all city codes for parking. Most sports events occur at times when major parish events do not occur. In the past major sports events have not proposed too much of an issue with parking including when we host games for our Catholic Youth Sports League (CYSL).
21. **Why is building a parish center** or renovating our current parish center taking so long? Hasn't it been years since this was first proposed? Yes, this was articulated in 2004 with our approved Master Site Plan. The decision was made by our various parish councils to put the parish center in the center of the parish where it should be. In order to do that, our school classrooms and basketball court/gym must be moved out of the existing parish center. We have built and moved all four classrooms. The next step is to move the gym. We intend to do that by building a new gym. We realize this process requires much patience and a solid consistent plan. We greatly appreciate our parish community's patience and willingness to stay the course by consistently following our Master Site Plan.
22. **What is a Master Site Plan?** Nothing can be more exciting than a church that is thriving! Our parish is an exceptional example of a thriving parish. In 2002-2003, to assure our parish will continue to thrive we asked ourselves: What buildings, landscape and outdoor spaces will St. Paul need to propel forward the parish's mission?
--How can the campus provide:
 - rich encounters with Jesus Christ, both communally and one-on-one with God;
 - places to interact in loving communion with the St. Paul family;
 - ways to reach out and welcome the community and parishioners into union with Jesus Christ; and
 - a testament of our stewardship to this parish, this community and the souls of our parishioners?--The answers to the questions which were compiled in 2003-2004 formed our Master Site Plan which required, and has achieved, acceptance from our diocesan offices of Construction and Finance.
--A well thought out Master Site Plan accommodates our necessary changes and growth while maximizing the utilization of land, buildings and capital. By listening and engaging parishioners, analyzing the existing conditions of buildings and the site, and by forecasting space needs to support the growing ministries of the church, we created a plan that will provide space and facilities, a design cohesiveness for the campus, and a process of placemaking that will symbolize and encourage your faith through worship, community, education, and recreation.
23. **What is placemaking?** Placemaking capitalizes on a local community's assets, inspiration, and potential, with the intention of creating public spaces that promote people's health, happiness, and wellbeing. It involves looking at, listening to, and asking

questions of the people who live, work and play in a particular space, to discover needs and aspirations. This information is then used to create a common vision for that place. In our Catholic community this concept of placemaking was applied to worship, community, education, and recreation because the parish decided these were the four most important aspects of our community.

24. **Should we just build a shell of a gym**, so we can get the gym out of the parish center and then renovate the long awaited parish center? This idea was discussed at some length. It was determined a shell of a gym would not meet our needs and would cost more money in the long run to enclose and build out. A few parishioners have stepped forward and offered to pay for ½ of the gym cost provided we construct a completed/finished building rather than a shell.
25. **How often will our parish have a capital campaign?** In order to complete our Master Site Plan within a generation, we plan to offer a capital campaign whenever we think the parish is ready to support it. We decided to move forward with this particular capital campaign, Building Community, Building Church because many people stepped forward during the first half of 2016 telling us they would like to see us continue to move forward and they would support a capital campaign which would allow us to move forward with the development of our Master Site Plan.