

The parish share

The education of young people has been a key piece of the mission of St. Paul the Apostle Parish over its long history. Our school dates to 1926 – nearly 100 years ago – and our emphasis on excellence resulted in its being named a prestigious National Blue Ribbon School in 2011 for academic achievement.

Along the way, campus improvements – including a number of them in recent years – have helped keep us a leader in education in the state. Our priority now is to complete a long-awaited fine arts wing at the main school. This would eliminate the need to use the Early Learning Center for fine arts studies, a situation that was to be temporary when it began in 2008. We will also focus on adding security cameras across the campus.

The *Upon This Rock* Campaign gives us an avenue to support our priests and seminarians while also taking steps toward raising the funds needed for these important projects.

Special features of the campaign will enable us to maximize the positive effects of our fundraising at the parish level:

- First, we keep 20 percent of what we raise up to our goal, which is just over \$1.6 million.
- We will keep 80 percent of anything we raise beyond \$1.6 million.
- There are virtually no costs to the parish for the campaign. The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Davenport is paying those costs. All the money raised will be used for campaign projects benefiting the diocese or parish.

WHERE OUR FUNDS WILL GO

Parish goal | \$1,627,000

- For priests' retirement, health care: \$976,200
- For seminarians' education: \$325,400
- For parish projects: \$325,400

PARISH CAMPAIGN PROJECT

Fine arts wing for school

A new fine arts wing was envisioned as the final phase of our facilities master plan. Most of the "parish share" funds raised by St. Paul the Apostle through the *Upon This Rock* Campaign will go toward this project, which we see as a significant piece of our future.

Security cameras across parish campus

The parish takes security seriously. New exterior cameras will be placed on all buildings, an improvement both in terms of safety and for insurance purposes.

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church Davenport, Iowa



"Giving to meet the needs of my brother priests, our seminarians and myself is a blessing, of course, and the Upon This Rock Campaign offers a valuable opportunity to address our parish's needs, too. Even more important is our own need to give as a part of our faith journey. May we respond in gratitude for all that God has given us."

Fr. Bruce DeRammelaere,
Pastor of St. Paul the Apostle

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