

# NATIVITY *of* MARY

2021-2024 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



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SECURING OUR FUTURE





## Campaign prayer

Heavenly Father,

Your Son, Jesus,

established your Church  
as a home for all who seek You.

Help us to maintain our home  
in faith, hope and love as we update  
our school and address our debt.

Your Spirit has worked in many  
ways throughout generations  
to build our parish.

Like those who have come before us,  
we offer you our prayers of sacrifice  
and hard work as we look to the future.

Bless our capital campaign and increase  
our generosity as we fulfill the ministries  
of our parish.

We ask this through the intercession  
of Mary, the Mother of your Son, Jesus.

Amen

## Our challenges

### **Our 65-year-old school building is well-constructed and has served our parish well.**

However, its windows and the glass blocks above them are in desperate need of replacement and are very energy inefficient.



The estimated cost

of replacing the windows and glass blocks with high-efficiency larger windows is approximately \$370,000.

### **Even though we recently paid off the debt for our current church building,**

we are in debt to the diocese for around \$900,000. This is the result of actions by our past business manager. He failed to pay state withholding tax for nearly seven years and failed to pay the diocesan payroll benefits like medical, unemployment, disability insurance and pensions for our employees off and on for seven years. Because the diocese paid the state, we didn't have to pay interest and penalties for the delinquent taxes, but now we owe the diocese. The diocese has allowed us to pay down our current debt at a rate of \$1,000 to \$2,000 a month. This debt is acting like an anchor around our neck making it difficult to invest in other parish needs.

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Making an investment in our children and in our future!

## Our plan

**W**e are conducting the *Forward in Faith — Securing our Future* capital campaign to raise the necessary funds to replace our school windows and to pay down part of our debt by about \$400,000.

The estimate to replace the windows in our school, including the glass blocks that are over many of the windows, is approximately \$370,000.

Our current debt is approximately \$900,000. We have negotiated with the diocese that all monies collected to pay down our debt from now until the end of the three-year campaign (December 2024) will not be assessed the diocesan Cathedraticum or tax of nearly 10%.

**For example, if we pay down our debt by about \$400,000 by the end of the campaign in December of 2024, we will save approximately \$40,000.**

It is in our best interest to pay down our debt as much as possible between now and December of 2024. After this date, all monies going to debt reduction will be assessed the 10% Cathedraticum.

# What is being asked of us?

**As a community of faith,** we are called to be good stewards of God's blessings to us. Our stewardship means we take seriously the biblical call to offer a portion of our blessings as thanksgiving back to God.

With this in mind, we encourage you to pray about your financial commitment to the Capital Campaign. This is a spiritual exercise for the parish, not merely a financial one. For each of us, this process should begin with prayer.



## *In prayer:*

**Recall the blessings** God has bestowed on you knowing that these gifts are given to you, not only for your personal use, but to help promote the Kingdom of God.

**Remember that our parish** needs each of us to make commitments to ensure that our community of faith may continue to flourish.

**Bear in mind** that every gift, regardless of size, is an important contribution.

**With members of your family,** consider the effects of participating in the campaign. To participate fully, your family may need to make sacrifices.

**As you pray,** remember all who have made the sacrifices in the past to provide our current spiritual home.

Above: a suggested draft of what our new windows could look like.

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.” —1 Peter 4:10

## What amount should you consider investing in Nativity of Mary's children and our future?

Every parish household is asked to make a contribution to the Capital Campaign. We encourage each household to prayerfully consider sharing 5% of your annual household income each year for the three years of the campaign.

We know that this may be difficult for some of our households who have been hit hardest by COVID-19. This is why we are asking those in our parish who have not been adversely affected by the pandemic to consider doing even more.

For those on fixed incomes, you may want to consider a non-cash gift such as stocks, bonds, personal property, IRA's or other assets. Call the parish office if you are interested in this option.

If you are new to giving to Nativity, we encourage you to prayerfully consider committing \$5 or \$10 a week or more to the Capital Campaign over three years.

**The chart on this page will help you determine how much to consider.**

Annual Income	Weekly Pledge	Monthly Pledge	Annual Pledge	Total 3-Year Pledge
\$20,000	\$19	\$83	\$1,000	\$3,000
<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$29</b>	<b>\$125</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>
\$40,000	\$38	\$167	\$2,000	\$6,000
<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$208</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
\$60,000	\$58	\$250	\$3,000	\$9,000
<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>\$67</b>	<b>\$292</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$10,500</b>
\$80,000	\$77	\$333	\$4,000	\$12,000
<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$96</b>	<b>\$417</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
\$125,000	\$120	\$521	\$6,250	\$18,750
<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$144</b>	<b>\$625</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>	<b>\$22,500</b>
\$200,000	\$192	\$833	\$10,000	\$30,000

## Capital Campaign Goal: \$750,000

**We need 100% participation in this effort to meet our goal.**

**Please do what you can.**

**Whatever amount you decide upon will be greatly appreciated.**



### Nativity is providing opportunities to sponsor a school window or door.

A small plaque will be placed near the sponsored window or door with the sponsor's name or a memorial name. (All wording to be approved by the office.)

- Long horizontal bank of windows outside of the school office (1).....\$25,000
- Large vertical windows (2).... \$20,000 each
- Large horizontal bay of windows (35) ..... \$15,000 each
- Large interior and exterior doors (4) ..... \$10,000 each

**Donors may determine where their contributions go. You may choose the school windows, parish debt or no preference.**

*Commitment Weekend is Dec. 11-12, 2021*

# NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT



We encourage everyone to make an investment in Nativity's children and its future.

More than 50 parish volunteers have dedicated nearly three months of their time to our **Forward in Faith — Securing our Future** campaign. During this time, our parish has prayed, held meetings, read newsletters, and listened to fellow members share their faith at worship. Now, with faith as your guide, it is time for you to do your part.

Throughout nearly 82 years as a parish, we have been blessed with generous members who dedicated their time, talent and treasure to the life of our faith family. Since its beginning, members have stepped up and embraced every challenge and opportunity. Now we reach for the same level of commitment to ensure that we have a school that is more conducive for good learning for our children, and that our parish's financial future is more secure.

To make an investment in our future, please complete the enclosed commitment card and bring it with you to Mass on **COMMITMENT WEEKEND, DEC. 11-12, 2021**. You may also use the enclosed return envelope and mail the card to the parish office prior to Commitment Weekend.

In appreciation for fulfilling your commitment to our **Forward in Faith — Securing our Future** campaign, Nativity would like to recognize you by displaying your name on a plaque in an appropriate location. Donors will have the option to give anonymously.

**COMMITMENT CARD**  
2021-2024 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

NAME(S) PLEASE PRINT \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**If/We plan to pay:**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Yearly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ One-time gift

**For a total 3-year pledge of:**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check all that apply:**

- I/We will use tithing envelopes.
- I/We will sign up for on-line giving at: [secure.mysanco.com/YQGT/home](https://secure.mysanco.com/YQGT/home).
- I/We will send electronic checks to Nativity of Mary Catholic Church.
- My/Our payment will be in the form of:
  - stock
  - personal property
  - other \_\_\_\_\_
- Please designate our contribution toward:
  - windows
  - parish debt
  - greatest need
- I/We wish to sponsor a window.
- I/We prefer to keep our commitment anonymous.
- I/We are not able to contribute at this time but will pray for our parish for the next 3 years.

## If you can't make a commitment at this time

We strongly encourage members to complete the commitment card and return it with a note that you are not able to make a commitment at this time. By returning the card, we will know that you considered our request, and we will not send follow-up mailings or make reminder phone calls to you.

Your generous contributions to our church, regardless of the amount, will be greatly appreciated.

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***Do I need to turn in a commitment card?  
Can't I just contribute to the campaign?***

It is very important to turn in a commitment card for two reasons

1. This allows our parish leadership to know more precisely how much money we have available.
2. From the information on the card, we will update our parish roster.

If you are unsure about the amount you are able to contribute to the campaign, write down a more modest amount.

***What happens if I can't fulfill my commitment?***

We understand that situations change, and members may need to adjust their level of commitment. You can change your commitment level by contacting the parish office at any time.

***When do our contributions to the campaign begin and how long will they continue?***

We are encouraging members to begin your contributions on **Commitment Weekend, Dec. 11-12** and they will come to December 2024. A special campaign envelope will be made available if you currently receive envelopes.

***What happens if we don't reach our Campaign Goal of \$750,000?***

The plan is that approximately the first \$370,000 will go toward replacing the windows. Everything over the cost of the windows will go toward debt reduction.

***When can the school windows be replaced?***

If we have a successful campaign, it is possible that we can start working on the windows in the summer of 2022.

Nativity Parish is inviting you to invest yourself through the resources that God has given you — your energy, your prayers and your money — in this work to which God has called us.





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## COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS DECEMBER 11-12, 2021

Thank you to our **Forward in Faith — Securing our Future** campaign volunteers

### Campaign Co-Chairs

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### Vision Statement

The Catholic Community of Nativity of Mary church and school is a welcoming and inclusive community which values Catholic education as one of its most important ministries.

### Mission Statement

In all aspects of daily life, the members of our parish work together to promote our Catholic Faith in our good example, in our school, in our community and in our local outreach.