



The recent parish-wide planning study revealed overwhelming support for a fundraising effort, but also raised a number of appropriate questions regarding Saint Faustina's building plans, financial position and the capital campaign needed to fund phase one of the parish master plan. In an effort to answer some of the more common questions surrounding construction, finances and campaign, we have assembled a list of frequently asked questions.

*We hope the answers given will provide clarity as we prepare to launch a capital campaign.
Your prayers, understanding and support is critical to the future success of our campaign and parish.*

WHEN DO WE START BUILDING?

WHEN WILL THE PARISH HALL BE COMPLETE?

We are on a very tight schedule to start construction during the latter part of October 2015. Our construction documents will go to permitting in September. Our general contractor is projecting 11 months to complete construction, barring any unforeseen delays. **We are hopeful that the building will be ready for occupancy in October 2016.**

WHY AREN'T WE BUILDING THE CHURCH FIRST?

Although many parishioners would like to see our church constructed first, it is not financially feasible and wouldn't accommodate our need for initial operations. In addition to worship space, we also need faith formation classrooms, administrative offices and space to run our parish ministries. The building of the parish hall is the best compromise as it will accommodate all the previously mentioned needs at a cost that is considerably less the church.

Additionally, once the parish hall is in place we will no longer need to use Hubenak Elementary for our Masses or the office park for our parish administration. Those respective leases will be terminated.

WHAT DOES PHASE 1 OF THE MASTER PLAN INCLUDE?

The primary focus of Phase 1 is the construction of the parish hall.

The hall will include:

- Mass seating for 1,500
- Banquet seating for 500
(in the nave when converted for social use)
- Sacristies and a reconciliation room
- 10 administrative offices
- 17 meeting rooms for faith formation and ministries
(adult and children)
- A small conference room
- A small commercial kitchen

Aside from the parish hall, phase one also includes:

- 500+ parking spaces and adjoining sidewalks
- A central plant building to accommodate the air conditioning chillers and trash dumpsters
- Necessary landscaping, irrigation, and storm water detention as required by permitting authorities
(water and sewer will be provided by Cross Creek MUD 171)

HOW MUCH IS PHASE ONE: HOW WILL WE PAY FOR IT?

The current estimate for **Phase 1 is \$12.4 million**. This includes purchasing an additional 9 acres of land west of our property, site preparation & infrastructure installation as well as building the parish hall. Funding for Phase 1 is anticipated to come from:

- Our Phase One Capital Campaign
- Previously accumulated building fund contributions
- Monthly offertory collections – which we anticipate will continue to grow in the coming years

WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR GETTING THROUGH THE FIRST CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

Our Phase 1 capital campaign is scheduled to formally kick off in October with the active portion of the campaign concluding in early December. The campaign will be running concurrently with the construction of our parish hall.

WHO WILL BE ASKED TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN?

Every family registered on or before July 31, 2015 will be asked to consider a pledge to the campaign. Families registered after that date will be asked to assist in the campaign in the months to come, once they have had an opportunity to be welcomed into the parish and become more engaged in parish life.

WHEN WILL I/WE BE ASKED FOR A PLEDGE TO THE CAMPAIGN?

We would like every family from Saint Faustina to make a pledge to the Christ's Mercy, Our Mission Capital Campaign. In early October, every family (mentioned above) will receive a packet in the mail that will explain how you can invest in this important campaign.

Is there anything I can do to help right now?

There are several ways that you can help. First and foremost, we ask for your prayerful support of our efforts. Also, we are in need of volunteers. *If you would like to assist in the visitation of parish families and collecting gifts on behalf of the campaign, please call 832-222-9250.*

Watch for Details for the Following Events

CAMPAIGN KICKOFF
Weekend – Saturday & Sunday, October 3 & 4

PHASE 1 GROUNDBREAKING
End of October/Beginning of November (TBD)

COMMITMENT WEEKEND
Saturday & Sunday, December 5 & 6