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Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."



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Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

I am thrilled to be pastor of Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish. This community has done so much to support me in my ministry since I arrived in 2023. I am overwhelmed by the love and encouragement I receive daily.

As I consider the tremendous faith of this parish family, I can see our potential for building God's Kingdom. It is not difficult to envision expanding our footprint and intensifying our mission of evangelization. Our resources, both spiritual and material, allow us to make big plans.

After much discernment and discussion with parishioners, I am proposing a new capital campaign: *Building Our Future*. This \$15 million campaign, along with the \$2.95 million previously raised in the *Expanding the Foundation* campaign, will address our parish's current facility needs for ministry, as well as create the possibility for Catholic education at Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc. Such an endeavor will shape the future of our community for decades to come.

Please take time to review this document to learn more about *Building Our Future*. The success of this campaign will be achieved through your commitment and generosity to this project. Parishioners' support will be necessary, now more than ever. Thank you in advance for partnering with me in our service to Christ and to Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish.

Sincerely,



Father David Schalk

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Campaign Prayer

God our Father, we give you thanks for Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish.

You bless us abundantly in and through this community of faith.

Give us the grace we need to move forward with bold plans for our parish family.

We desire to build our future with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Make fruitful all our fundraising and construction efforts,

So that we may lead many more souls to your infinite mercy and love.

Through the intercession of our two patron saints,

Help Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish grow and thrive.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.



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Building our Future, Together

Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc is happy to announce a \$15 million campaign dedicated to enhancing our campuses and engaging our community. As we look forward to the future of our parish, we recognize the importance of addressing certain priorities that demand our collective attention. We are building a stronger, more vibrant church for generations to come, focusing on three key initiatives.

First, we will repurpose existing space at Saint Peter to create a dedicated Pre-K to Grade 2 school, ensuring our youngest learners have an effective start to their religious education.

Secondly, we plan to develop a new Grade 3 to Grade 8 school at Saint Joan of Arc, providing a robust faith-based educational environment for our children. We make these plans knowing that Saint Joan of Arc will house all grades in the future. Both buildings will serve students, as well as expand our capacity for religious education, ministry groups, and parish activities. We will have more space to gather, celebrate, and pray.

Thirdly, through this transformational campaign, we will enrich the sanctuary at Saint Joan of Arc to draw parishioners into prayer and devotion through sacred art.

We are confident that now is the right time to act. Our community is growing and our needs are real. Through our combined efforts and generosity, this ambitious project can become a reality and strengthen the faith of Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish. We welcome you to join us on this journey.

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Meeting the Moment

The Powell and Worthington areas, along with the broader central Ohio region, have experienced significant growth over the past few decades. This trend is expected to continue, with Liberty Township's population projected to increase by **39.4% from 2020 to 2030**, and Worthington's population anticipated to **rise by 11.7%** in the same period, according to U.S. Census Data. The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) also forecasts substantial growth throughout the eighty local governments it serves, with Delaware County alone projected to see an **80% increase by 2050**.



Alongside this future growth, we know our community is looking for more school options. Many of our local Catholic elementary schools are already at capacity with waitlists, and we see the need to grow with the anticipated population boom. We have an opportunity and an imperative to consider what Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc can offer by way of Catholic education. Based on the findings of our feasibility study, and with the blessing of the Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, we believe we are called to begin *Building Our Future*.

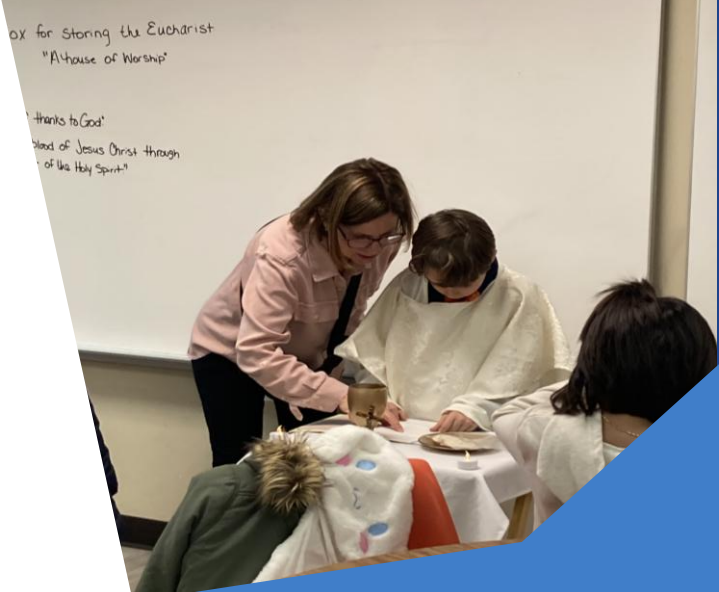
We also recognize the need to improve our parish's infrastructure to accommodate our robust parish's ministries. By investing in these projects and enhancing our facilities, we will be better equipped to serve our ever-growing congregation.

Maintaining Momentum



We are grateful for the impactful work of the *Expanding the Foundation* campaign that was underway at Saint Joan of Arc. The *Building Our Future* campaign will complement these efforts and bring them to fruition. We will use the funds already raised as the cornerstone of the new campaign, addressing previously outlined goals and much more. Parishioners' generosity expressed in the *Expanding the Foundation* campaign has put us on a trajectory for success.

Community Impact



1

Enhancement of McEwan Center for Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc School for Pre-school to Grade 2 at Saint Peter (Investment: \$2.1M)

Outcome: Provide an early childhood education experience at Saint Peter.

- Members of our own parish family will benefit greatly from another early childhood education option in our area. The enhancement of the McEwan Center for Pre-school to Grade 2 at Saint Peter will support Catholic education for our very young parishioners. By redesigning classrooms, the project will create a more engaging and effective learning environment. The school will begin with three classes (3-year-old preschool, 4-year-old pre-school, and Kindergarten). As each class advances to the next grade, a new group of students will join.
- We look to recruit families for enrollment, and with the support of the Superintendent of Catholic Schools of the Dioceses of Columbus, we are confident in our ability to fill our future classrooms. Additionally, through conversations with neighboring Catholic schools, we are developing best practices and gathering invaluable wisdom to ensure our success.



- The renovations at Saint Peter will create more meeting space, additional bathrooms, and other facility updates. This will facilitate and enhance parish activities and ministries that extend beyond the school day.



Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

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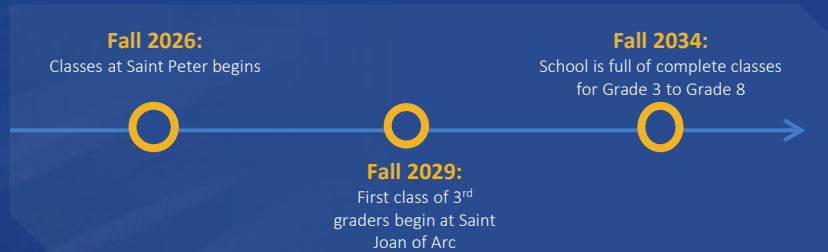


2

Build Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc School for Grade 3 to Grade 8 at Saint Joan of Arc (Investment: \$12.3M)

Outcome: Establish a Catholic school in our parish and make available an event center for ministry and community activities.

- We will create a faith-based learning environment that will begin with education offerings for Grade 3 to Grade 8 at Saint Joan of Arc. This structure will feature two stories of classrooms and additional space for school programming. As the classes at the Pre-K to Grade 2 school at Saint Peter progress, Saint Joan of Arc will take on students, beginning with Grade 3 in the Fall 2029. Future additions will allow all grades Pre-K to Grade 8 to be housed at Saint Joan of Arc.



- In conjunction with the improvements at Saint Peter, the new construction at Saint Joan of Arc will provide additional bathrooms and more meeting space for the parish. This is an event center with the capacity to accommodate up to 500 people, which will be ideal for hosting large community events and social gatherings. This project will truly enrich the lives of everyone in our community, making our parish a welcoming hub for faith formation and ministry activities.

3 John 1:4 "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth."



Community Impact



3

Enrich Saint Joan of Arc Sanctuary (Investment: \$600k)

Outcome: Draw parishioners into prayer and devotion through sacred art.

- The liturgy is central to our Catholic faith, and the dignity of our space for prayer is a priority. Beauty in the sanctuary lifts our mind to God and creates a sense of holiness in our church. Liturgical art inspires faith and a sense of reverence. This project helps us reflect our love for the Eucharist and the saints.



Psalm 96:9: "Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth."

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Your Support Matters

As we move forward with these plans, we invite you to join us in the **\$15 million** *Building Our Future* campaign for Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc. God has begun a great work in our community, and it is a blessing to see the Holy Spirit moving among us. Please be bold in helping us achieve our goals as a parish family.



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**Pre-K to
Grade 2 at
Saint Peter**

Investment:
\$2.1M

2

**Grade 3 to
Grade 8
School at
Saint Joan
of Arc**

Investment:
\$12.3M

3

**Sanctuary
Enrichment
at Saint Joan
of Arc**

Investment:
\$600k

Be Part of the Movement

- **Pray for wisdom for the leaders of our campaign.**
- **Participate by sharing your time and talent to bring our campaign initiatives to life.**
- **Pledge a sacrificial gift to support the *Building Our Future* campaign.**

- *Pledge:* A three-year pledge allows you to spread your generous contribution over a manageable period, making it easier to support our campaign while planning your finances. By committing to a three-year pledge, you provide our parish with a steady and reliable source of funding, helping us achieve our long-term goals. Your sustained support over three years will make a significant and lasting impact in our community.
- *Gifts of Stock:* Gifts of stock provide a unique way to support our campaign while potentially offering you significant tax benefits. By donating appreciated securities, you can avoid capital gains taxes and receive a charitable deduction for the full market value of the stock. Your generous gift of stock will help us advance our mission.
- *Matching Gifts:* Many companies offer employees a matching gift program, meaning that every dollar you donate to our campaign, your company will match your contribution, effectively doubling the impact of your gift. This opportunity allows your support to go twice as far, helping us achieve our goals more quickly.



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Expression of Gratitude

As we embark on this transformative journey, we are deeply grateful for your contribution to *Building Our Future*. Your investment in Saint Peter Saint Joan of Arc Parish will help us create a vibrant, faith-filled community that nurtures spiritual growth and educational excellence. We are ensuring that our legacy of faith continues for generations to come.




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