

2010-2011 Annual Report



St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Church

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The St. Vincent de Paul Mission...

St. Vincent de Paul is a dynamic, welcoming faith community committed to inspiring & prayerful worship, quality, lifelong religious education for everyone, and loving service to those in need.

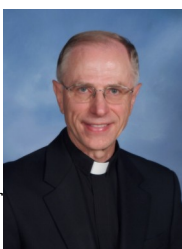
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A Message From The Pastor...

What an amazing year!

The celebration of our 20th Parish Anniversary has given us a wonderful opportunity to look back at the early growth of the parish,



to see how people have volunteered in our ministries and activities over the years, and to engage the newer members of our parish family. A highlight of the year was on Sunday, May 22 when Archbishop George Lucas presided at Sunday Mass and led a ground-breaking ceremony for the education wing.

This build out was made possible by our capital cam-

paign, and we are very grateful for your financial support. As phase one is almost completed with the construction of the education wing, we are preparing for phase two with remodeling of offices and constructing new meeting rooms this summer. While we have \$3.9 million in pledges toward our \$4.9 million goal, \$1 million is still needed.

Our parish reached a landmark in June when our debt balance dropped below \$3 million. Since our parish owed \$9 million in 1998, we have been diligently reducing our debt. \$1.2 million raised through our capital campaign is dedicated to principal payments.

Another exciting financial development was the refi-

nancing of our debt during the 2010-11 fiscal year.

Sunday giving is our main source of income for the parish. We ended the year with a shortfall of \$593, which is remarkable, considering how the economy has affected charitable giving. We are very grateful to all who have generously sacrificed to support our parish. As you review your tithing pledge for the 2012 year, please recall how long it has been since you have adjusted your weekly sacrificial gift. Your Sunday donation enables us to continue the Lord's work in our parish.

May God bless you
and your family!

Rev. Daniel J. Kampshneider

St. Vincent de Paul ... A Very Busy Parish!

- There are 2,879 families in our parish community and 10,292 individual members
- We have grown 14.2% over the last five years and are now the third largest parish in the Archdiocese relative to the number of members
- 56% of our parish is under the age of 35
- Our parish has 2,958 children under 18
- Approximately 15% of our family members are active in some way in the parish providing 6,147 volunteer hours each month
- Over the last year we:
 - Celebrated 934 Masses
 - Baptized 179 adults & children
 - Married 46 couples
 - Celebrated 15 funerals
 - Welcomed 14 adults
- into the Catholic Church through RCIA
- Shared our resources with nearly 25 organizations & projects around the metro
- Educated 785 students in our five day school
- Facilitated programs for 761 Religious Education students
- Welcomed nearly 1,000 people to our parish mission

St. Vincent de Paul Parish



Stewardship Prayer

Lord, thank You for everything You have given me. Your gifts are precious, and I pray for Your guidance in helping me use them to do Your Will.

Thank You for the gifts You have given our parish. Pour out Your Holy Spirit and help us as a parish family to use Your gifts wisely, to serve others and to more closely follow You.

Amen

Inspiring & Prayerful Worship

Being involved in liturgical ministries is a wonderful way to build up the Church. God calls all of us to share the gifts we have been given in many different ways. Over 120 parish family members volunteer to help with Mass every weekend!

Our children can be seen assisting the priest and deacon as altar servers or singing in the Awesome Angels children's choir. Our teens are called in many ways: leading the music for Mass once a month, volunteering as ushers, proclaiming the Word of God as readers or, at the age of 16, being mandated to distribute the Body and Blood of Christ as an EMHC. Our adults also serve as EMHCs, readers of the Word of God

and ushers.

Volunteers contribute throughout the year by creating a beautiful worship environment and transforming the church through the liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Time. Finally, leading the music as a cantor, instrumentalist, small ensemble, or a member of the Adult Choir helps lift up our prayer in song. We thank the Lord for the many gifts shared each weekend, and we pray for many more gifts to be discovered and offered from our parishioners.

This willingness to volunteer shows the dedication and commitment that our members have to make St. Vincent de Paul the right parish fam-

ily for so many to belong. Our Masses have been cited as one of the main reasons for attracting new parishioners. Not only do these new members appreciate the liturgies, but also our parish environment as a whole. It is a warm, welcoming place to attend Mass.



Outreach & Helping Others

As part of our mission, St. Vincent de Paul Parish serves the entire Omaha community by sharing time, services and financial resources.

It was another busy year for the 20 different groups and activities at St. Vincent de Paul focused on serving those in our community that



need our help most. The effort put forth was a true example of the passion our parish has to serve others. Here are a few highlights:

- Provided over \$70,000 in support and assistance to service agencies, ministries and individuals in need
- 1724 bags of groceries sent to area food pantries
- Regular meals are provided for the Women's Shelter
- 147 families were helped with rent, utilities, food, clothing, etc. (99% within our parish boundaries)
- Provided Christmas gifts for 268 adults and children
- Collected school supplies & winter clothing for area families
- 48 parishioners volunteered to assist Council Bluffs

families along the Missouri River move if a breach of the levee was predicted with the summer flooding

- Hundreds of parish family members participated in Respect Life activities such as 40 Days for Life and the life chain
- 55 parishioners joined the *Carpenter's Crew* coalition to help build a house for Habitat for Humanity
- The Crafters for Charity group provided hundreds of handmade comfort items to assist the ill and those in need in our community and around the world
- 280 parishioners and friends participated in Trivia Nite, which raised over \$6,000 for various Outreach projects

The Religious Education programs for students from preschool through 8th grade work with primary educators and our parish parents to help form the faith of their children. Approximately 150 volunteers gave of their time to teach in our Religious Education programs last year. Through experiences of community, worship and outreach, our formation approach strives to provide an atmosphere where students can grow in their relationship with Christ and others, while learning and living their faith.

Approximately 50 Sunday School students follow a religion curriculum during the year, and up to 400

students participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. Sunday Masses to experience the Word of God according to the lectionary. Over 490 grade 1-8 students gather at one of two class times on Wednesdays. Our volunteers commit to weekly participation during the school year for these three programs.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) brings in yet another 100 volunteers. Many of these volunteers are students preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation or are involved in service work for their high schools. Last summer, 181 students enjoyed VBS.



The Religious Formation Office is also responsible for sacramental preparation of Religious Education and School students

preparing for First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation and the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC).

Adult Formation

“Being a follower of Christ is a life-long journey of prayer, study, worship, and service.”

Adult Formation at St. Vincent de Paul offers a wide range of programs for men and women of all ages and stages in life to develop and deepen their relationship with Jesus and his Church.

It was a very exciting and extremely busy year. Here is a sampling of the programs that were offered during 2010-11:

Bible Studies:

There were 10 different Bible studies offered, which included:

- Women's Bible studies
- The Great Adventure Bible Timeline

- Acts of the Apostles
- I Corinthians
- *Advent Lunchtime Lectio*
- A Biblical Walk Through the Mass
- Lenten Bible Study: “Jesus’ Journey to the Cross”

Retreats and evenings of reflection:

- Women's Retreat with Dr. Susan Calef
- Advent Reflection with Deacon James Keating, Ph.D.
- Three night Parish Mission with Jesuit Priest, Fr. Casey Beaumier
- Sacramental Preparation for Parents

Marriage, family groups, and programs:

- Mothers in Fellowship
- Parents with Young

- Children
- Christian Family Movement
- Marriage Enrichment
- Family Formation programs
- “That Man Is You!” men's program
- “Six Dates for Catholic Couples” series

Catechetics:

- World Religions
- Catholic Faith Series on the Bible and the Holy Spirit
- EPIC: Church History Study
- Theology of the Body for Parents
- 7 Deadly Sins / 7 Virtues

In 2010-11, St. Vincent de Paul had

over 1,300 participants in the various Adult Formation classes, retreats, small group studies and events. All of this is done in an effort to help the members of our parish continue to grow in their faith.



St. Vincent de Paul Parish



ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O loving and gracious God, in this our twentieth year, we are grateful to You for transforming fields of grain into a holy place of worship, lifelong learning and service to others.

You have called us to be Your disciples. Help us to glorify You through our service to others and to grow in our faith.

As we continue our journey, may all who visit or join our parish family feel the welcome of Your embrace.

With grateful hearts we remember the loving sacrifices made for our parish by founding families and those who have died in the hope of eternal life.

*May we continue to move forward in that same spirit, giving of ourselves for others.
Amen.*

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

Pastoral Ministry

What is the essence of pastoral ministry? It's how we care for the spiritual, emotional, physical, educational and financial needs of our parishioners. Each person within our parish has different needs and challenges. As a parish community, we embrace these needs in an effort to support each other.

Our Priests, Deacons, and Pastoral Ministers regularly visit ill parishioners in area hospitals. A designated group of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) provide Communion to all Catholics admitted at Immanuel Hospital. We also have EMHCs who bring Holy Communion to homebound parishioners. Our Deacons and EMHCs organ-

ize weekly Holy Communion Services for Parsons House and Sunridge Village Assisted Living facilities.

The Caregiver Gathering is a support group for parishioners caring for a spouse at home or whose spouse lives in a health care facility. It provides for some respite from their daily tasks and an opportunity to share with others in similar situations.

In addition, Helping Hands volunteers provide meals to families when a family member is hospitalized or recovering at home and to individuals recovering at home after a hospital stay.

Our Priests and Pastoral Ministers help grieving families prepare for funerals. Bereavement ministry is avail-



able to parishioners who have lost a spouse or a child. The funeral lunch team provides meals for families and guests following a parish funeral.

Our Priests, Deacons, and Pastoral Ministers organize the preparation of engaged couples in our parish. Staff and volunteers are involved in guiding the couples through the FOCCUS preparation process to ensure a strong foundation for their marriage.

Our efforts as a parish focus on helping those who are in the greatest need of help.

Youth Ministry

As St. Vincent de Paul celebrates its 20th Anniversary, it is hard to believe that many of the children from the early days of our parish are



now the young adults we see getting involved in our community. They are the future of our parish and the young Church of today. It is our responsibility to help them

grow in their faith.

This is where our Youth Ministry groups become so important. St. Vincent de Paul offers and promotes a

wide range of spiritual, social and service opportunities for our teens. Most widely known is the LIFE (Living In Faith Everyday) Youth Group and Small Faith S h a r i n g

Groups.

Our teens participate in a diverse range of activities, including the 2011 National Catholic Youth Conference held in Indianapolis, a parish

sponsored overnight retreat based on Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body and events like our annual Winnebago Mission Trip.

Additionally, there are community building events such as the Worlds of Fun Day Trip or the Bonfire and Hayrack Ride. The youth of our parish also serve at the weekend liturgies as EMHCs, readers, and music ministers, including the musicians and singers in Orans Bis.

All of this is done to help the youth of our parish establish their Catholic identity. The young adults of today will be the leaders of tomorrow, and these types of programs and events help them understand the importance and relevance of God in their daily lives.

Five Day School

The mission of St. Vincent de Paul School is to provide quality spiritual, educational, and social opportunities in a respectful learning environment reflective of our Catholic beliefs.

During the 2010-2011 school year, 785 students attended our K - 8 school, representing 472 parish families. Our school is full of scholars, artists, athletes, musicians and many other very talented students. It is the job of our faculty and staff to help nurture and maximize these God-given gifts.

As technology continues to become a bigger part of learning, SVdP is fortunate to be able to provide a

computer lab, two mobile labs and ActivBoards in each classroom as educational tools to our students.

As part of the Archdiocesan school system, our goal is to develop students who will find success in our Archdiocesan secondary schools. In 2011, 97% of our graduating eighth graders enrolled in one of the metro Catholic high schools, and 24% of those graduating students received scholarships.

Community outreach is a vital part of the SVdP educational experience. For many years, students and staff have organized food and clothing drives, made donations of money and supplies to or-

ganizations in Omaha, made monthly trips to Parsons House for visits with the residents and have been involved with a community in Guatemala.

All of this is done to further our mission. These efforts, combined with our academic excellence, have earned St. Vincent de Paul School the national recognition as a Blue Ribbon School.



Did You Know...

The school administration consists of:

- One principal
- Two assistant principals
- Over 60 years of combined educational experience

Our experienced educational staff includes:

- 40 certified teachers
- Over 50% of our teachers hold a Masters degree

SPREE

As we celebrated the 15th anniversary of SPREE (Sharing Parish Responsibility for Excellence in Education), we were once again reminded of the sense of community this event creates for St. Vincent de Paul.

The money raised at SPREE supports the school's operating needs, allows for more affordable tuition and provides updated textbooks and more computers. Proceeds have also been used to maintain and improve the SVdP facilities. \$225,000 of the SPREE proceeds go toward the operational expenses of the school.

Each year, in the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, a

portion of the proceeds are shared with inner-city Catholic schools and other Omaha outreach projects.

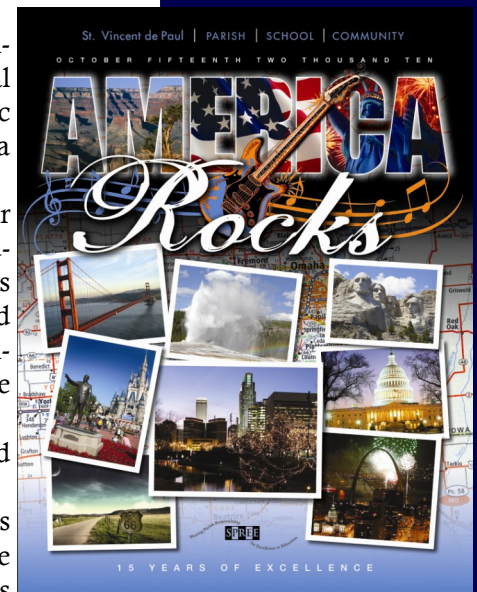
SPREE 2010 - "America Rocks", continued a fabulous tradition, and as in years past, revealed the support and dedication that has made SVdP such a special place. Here are a few of the amazing accomplishments from this year's event:

- Over 500 parents and friends attended SPREE 2010
- SPREE 2010 raised over \$335,000! \$225,000 of that money goes to the School Operational Budget
- SPREE donated approximately \$17,000 of

its proceeds to a variety of educational programs for Catholic Schools in the Omaha area

- SPREE raised over \$17,000 for our Fund-A-Item. This year's item was advanced training for our teachers on the use of the Activboards
- The Raffle generated almost \$29,300
- The Sign-up Parties were a huge hit once again. This year's parties raised \$9,900+

Congratulations to our General Co-Chairs, Lisa & Steve Gulseth, Shelly & Gary Grote, Judy & Randy Pritza and Lynn & Bob Rakoczy, along with the

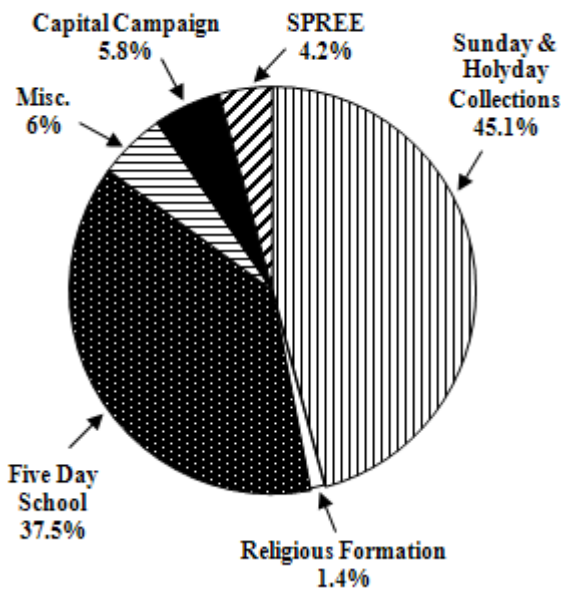


over 600 volunteers for another hugely successful event. Our deepest gratitude goes out to everyone for the long hours and unrelenting dedication!

THANK YOU!!

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Financial Report - Year Ending June 30, 2011

SOURCES OF FUNDS



Operating Revenue

Sunday & Holy Day Collections:	\$2,429,600
Five Day School Tuition & Fees:	\$2,018,000
Religious Formation:	\$77,200
Miscellaneous Revenue:	\$284,200
<i>(such as endowment, after school care, children's collections)</i>	
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	\$4,809,000

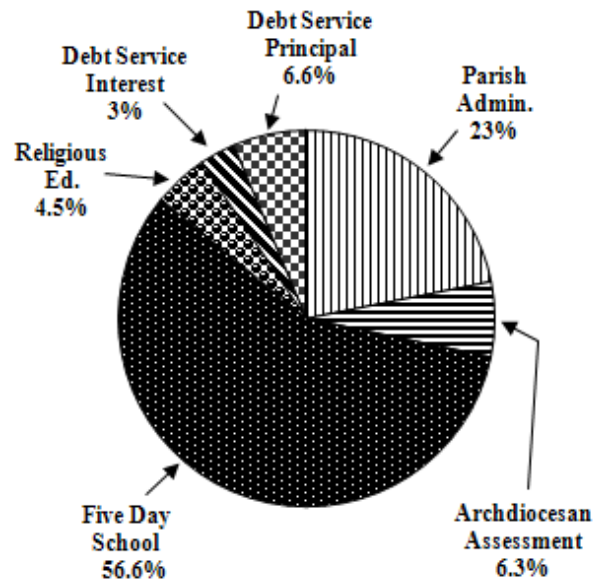
Other Sources of Funds

OPERATIONAL RESERVES:	\$41,800
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:	\$310,500
SPREE:	\$225,000
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Total Revenue	\$5,386,300

Expenses

Parish Administration:	\$1,230,100
<i>(salaries, outreach, operations)</i>	
5-Day School:	\$3,026,500
<i>(salaries, materials, supplies)</i>	
Religious Education:	\$238,800
<i>(youth and adult programs)</i>	
Debt Service-Interest:	\$161,800
Archdiocesan Assessment:	\$337,100
Debt Service-Principal:	\$352,300
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Total Expenses	\$5,346,600

EXPENSES



Making Sense of It All

- Mortgage balance went under \$3 million on June 30, 2011 to \$2,944,700
- \$310,500 of principal reduction was provided by the Annual Appeal/Capital Campaign
- Sacrificial giving was up \$30,700 from the previous year; however, it was below the budgeted amount this fiscal year
- Sacrificial giving is budgeted to increase by 1.00%, or \$23,900, in 2011-12
- Parish debt was refinanced during the 2010-11 fiscal year, but the previous monthly payment amount is being maintained in an effort to accelerate our pay-off

Parish Assets & Liabilities - Year Ending June 30, 2011

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Unrestricted Assets		Mortgage	\$2,944,700
Operational Funds	\$163,900	Current Liabilities	\$148,400
Restricted Assets*		Total Liabilities	\$3,093,100
Directed Gifts (Construction Funds)	\$31,300		
SPREE Funds (Funds dedicated to future school projects)	\$190,134	* Restricted Assets	
Annual Appeal Funds (Facilities Repairs & Improvements)	\$172,753	These funds are not available for the general	
Annual Appeal Funds (Principal & Interest Payments)	\$13,021	operation of the parish or school. These funds	
Maintenance Reserve (Major Building Maintenance)	\$240,028	were received and directed for specific purposes.	
Educational Endowment	\$1,225,343		
Parish Endowment	\$79,849		
Capital Campaign	\$1,194,047		
Plant and Equipment (Parish Facilities)	\$16,203,452		
Total Assets	\$19,513,827		

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

CASH FLOWS FROM PARISH OPERATIONS & RELATED ACTIVITIES

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	11-12 Budget
Operating Revenues				
Sunday and Holyday Collections	\$ 2,389,500	\$ 2,398,900	\$ 2,429,600	\$ 2,453,500
Five Day School Tuition & Fees	1,858,100	1,921,000	2,018,000	2,082,200
Religious Education	65,100	63,300	77,200	66,400
Other Revenues	373,600	284,400	284,200	275,500
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 4,686,300	\$ 4,667,600	\$ 4,809,000	\$ 4,877,600
Operating Expenses				
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$ 3,368,600	\$ 3,472,000	\$ 3,582,600	\$ 3,702,500
Instructional Materials & Liturgical Supplies	121,900	119,500	125,500	124,900
Utilities & Maintenance	237,900	266,700	290,600	315,600
Archdiocesan Operations Assessment	349,300	344,400	337,100	335,100
Interest on Debt	208,300	189,400	161,800	134,600
Other Expense Categories	521,200	444,700	496,700	489,900
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 4,807,200	\$ 4,836,700	\$ 4,994,300	\$ 5,102,600
Net Operating Income	\$ (120,900)	\$ (169,100)	\$ (185,300)	\$ (225,000)
Plus: SPREE Revenues	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
Total Regular Principal Payments on Debt	(337,700)	(356,600)	(352,300)	(411,400)
Principal Paid from Operational Reserves			41,800	
Principal Paid from Annual Appeal/Capital Campaign	218,400	221,300	310,500	411,400 *
Less: Principal Payments on Debt from Operations	(119,300)	(135,300)	0	0
Net Cash Flows from Operations	\$ (15,200)	\$ (79,400)	\$ 39,700	\$ 0

* Amount is to be funded with pledges from the capital campaign.

SPREE revenues above subsidize school operating expenses. Remaining SPREE proceeds are used for special school-related purposes.

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Priests:

Rev. Daniel J.
Kampschneider,
Pastor
Rev. Walter Jong-A-Kiem,
Associate Pastor

Deacon Couples:

Deacon Bill and Virginia
Barnes
Deacon Don and Mary
Clausen
Deacon Gary and Sandie
Hennessey
Deacon Richard and
Janet Jizba
Deacon Jay and Mary Ann
Reilly

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Staff:

Wendy Everson,
Pastoral Minister
Mike Poulin,
Pastoral Minister
Kathy Mayer,
Director of Worship
Bob Verkuilen,
Director of Development

School:

Dr. Barbara Marchese,
Principal

Religious Formation:

Vicki Smith,
Religious Education Director
Jenny Wiswell,
Adult Formation Director
Steve Nespor,
Director of Youth Ministry

Office Staff:

Bob McClellan,
Director of Operations
Kathy Wilhelm,
Parish Office Coordinator
Barb McGrath,
Receptionist
Angela Garrett,
Accountant
Don Clausen,
Admin. & IT Management

Pastoral Council President:

Stacey Cole



What Lies Ahead . . .

To say that the 2010-11 fiscal year was a busy one would be a huge understatement.

The year included the beginning of the 20th Anniversary celebration of our wonderful parish, and kicked off a capital campaign that involves a two-phase construction effort. Archbishop Lucas presided at Sunday Mass to help us celebrate our parish anniversary, and then joined us for a groundbreaking ceremony for the education wing and a parish picnic. Fr. Walter Jong-A-Kiem joined us in June as our new Associate Pastor.

We began construction on the new education wing of our school. We refinanced our parish debt, and by the end of the fiscal year our debt had dropped below \$3 million.

All of that happened in addition to the everyday

activities and events of our 100+ parish groups and ministries, our 10,000+ parishioners, 80+ parish and school staff and the 780+ students.

It does not look like the 2011-12 year is going to slow down either. We will continue to make the engagement of our parishioners a priority. It is the involvement of all of us in our parish that will continue to strengthen the St. Vincent de Paul tradition.

As we continue with our day-to-day activities, we will keep securing pledges for our 20th Anniversary Capital Campaign, and we look forward to Phase 2 construction and the completion of the project in the fall of 2012.

Phase 2 of the project will focus on interior renovations of the building and the addition of an all-weather synthetic surface

field behind the school.

The renovations within the building will include the addition of two new meeting rooms, some minor upgrades to and relocation of the K - 5 classrooms and the addition of our own pre-school. There will be some renovations done to the school and parish offices. Religious Formation will also be moving into new office space located just off of the school's upper commons.

As we move forward with this exciting project and all of the other efforts within our parish, we continue to look to all of our parishioners for their pledges of time, talent and treasure. Please know that your contributions will have a huge impact as we continue to grow as a faith community. It is our parish and our future. How will you get involved?

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