

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH, *Embracing our Future*



As we prepare for the launch of our *Celebrating Our Faith, Embracing Our Future* Capital Campaign, we know you have a lot of questions. We will try to keep you informed about our plans and the campaign through a series of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

What do the projects for the church include?

The new design adopts a timeless Catholic style, ensuring a lasting and consistent identity for our parish for the next 60 years while updating the current aesthetics. We will address liturgical requirements for the proper celebration of Mass and adhere to sacred architectural norms. We also will retain the existing windows, minimize the structural work to control costs and ensure a cohesive appearance. Our planning revealed an opportunity to update elements of our aging infrastructure, including our HVAC systems, restrooms, flooring and pews damaged due to COVID-related cleanings.



Functional changes:

- Increase the size of the sanctuary and move the altar closer to the congregation.
- Install new flooring, walls, pews and window trim.
- Introduce new fixtures to have state-of-the-art lighting.
- Add a music ministry area near the sanctuary with a new sound system.
- Expand and update the confessional and reposition the baptistry into the nave.
- Enable the vestibule to transform into a quiet room.
- Add two single-use restrooms.

Through these plans and designs, we aim to fulfill our mission by enhancing the liturgical experience, creating a timeless and welcoming environment, improving functionality for sacramental celebrations and ensuring adequate auxiliary spaces to effectively accommodate the congregation and visitors. In addition, our plans will help position our parish for the future in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

We are calling on everyone to help make this vision a reality by supporting our campaign, *Celebrating Our Faith, Embracing Our Future*, a charitable priority for the next three years.

Aesthetic changes:

- Install a marble main altar and a matching marble altar of repose for the tabernacle.
- Adorn the back wall of the sanctuary with stained glass.
- Create two recessed shrines with statues to honor the Madonna and Child and St. Joseph.
- Bring focus to the sanctuary and shrines through a decorative arched frame.
- Incorporate stained glass into the entrance from the vestibule/quiet room to the nave.
- Install a statue of our patron at the entry of the church.

