

# CAMPAIGN NEWS

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JANUARY 2018

FROM FR. DAVE

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Dear Parishioners,

A key element of a stewardship way of life is gratitude, and in that spirit, I want to thank everyone who took the time to participate in our capital campaign planning process through either the planning survey or an in-person interview.

I also want to thank and recognize our parish facilities committee for their unending commitment to this parish. Their tireless efforts have created a master plan to meet our objectives and needs.

We will begin with some pre-campaign planning and team building. I ask each of you to join a campaign team that will allow you to utilize your God-given gifts. Each team has unique objectives, but with a minimum time commitment.

Communication will be a key component of this campaign. We will keep you informed of campaign events, and will provide opportunities for you to learn more about these projects and have your questions answered.

We want all parishioners have a clear understanding of the campaign objectives and progress. Joe Akers, our campaign consultant from *For the Greater*, will be working closely with us during the campaign.

Our success will depend on the grace of God. Prayer will be an integral part of this campaign. I ask that you pray daily for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you so much for your support. You are laying the foundation for a bright future here at St. Columbkille.

Pax,

Fr. Dave

## ST. COLUMBKILLE ENTHUSIASTICALLY PROCEEDS WITH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

With a solid operating budget, accelerated debt reduction, and the vision to tackle facility challenges, St. Columbkille will initiate a comprehensive master plan to provide upgraded parish facilities. With archdiocesan approval, St. Columbkille will proceed with a capital campaign beginning immediately and ending in May.

All parish households were invited to participate in a campaign planning study to share their views on spirituality, vision, campaign projects and process.

### HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PLANNING STUDY INCLUDE:

#### SPIRITUALITY

Ninety-five percent (94.99%) of those in the study agreed or strongly agreed that St. Columbkille is effective in helping them to live their sacramental Catholic faith. The average positive from past client planning studies for this type of question is 81%.

#### LEADERSHIP

Ninety-three percent (93.03%) said they are confident in Fr. Dave and the parish lay leaders to make prudent decisions regarding the future of St. Columbkille. This compares favorably to a desired threshold of 70% or above.

#### PRAYERFUL

Ninety-five percent (95.40%) of parishioners in the study said they would pray for the success of the campaign and the parish.

#### CAMPAIGN SUPPORT

Seventy-four percent (74.2%) of those surveyed said they would financially support this campaign, 23% need more information or were unsure, while only 3.6% said no.

Campaign consultant Joe Akers added, "I was impressed with both the enthusiasm and cohesiveness of St. Columbkille. The term "family" was used by many in describing this parish during our study. As a group, this parish is spiritual, supportive, and willing to get involved. These are things we find in successful campaigns."

**The capital campaign formally kicks off on Tuesday, January 16th, with a Volunteer Organizational Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the church.**

# VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 16th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm • Church

Please join us as we kick off our capital campaign on Tuesday, January 16th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the church. You can sign up for a team at the meeting or by contacting one of our team co-chairs.

## PRAYER TEAM

Assists in writing the campaign prayer; considers prayer events and ideas to set the spiritual tone of the campaign.

### **Co-chairs**

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## EVENTS TEAM

Plans entertaining, informational events, giving each parish family the opportunity to learn more about the facility projects and capital campaign objectives.

### **Co-chairs**

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## YOUTH TEAM

Creates opportunities to connect our parish youth to the campaign and the future of the church.

### **Chair**

Melissa Nelson

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## THANKS TEAM

Plans appropriate ways to thank donors and volunteers.

### **Co-chairs**

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## AMBASSADORS TEAM

Contacts parishioners to assure they receive campaign materials.

### **Co-chairs**

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## COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

Creates campaign theme and logo; develops plan to communicate information to the parish, including print and social media, power-points, video, etc.

### **Co-chairs**

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