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ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR VISION

Working together to enhance and enrich our parish campus, to bring us together as a faith family and lead us to a deeper relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ.

OUR HISTORY

In 1873, a group of Catholic families established a Catholic church in Chanute. Land was donated and a small frame building they called St. Lawrence Mission Church was built. By 1901, the church became a parish and Fr. Nagle became its first pastor. In 1905, construction on a new brick church began. Fr. Patrick Nagle had the parish renamed to St. Patrick. In 1911 the church was largely completed and dedicated.

The parish school opened in the fall of 1920, bell towers and the spire by Christmas 1926, and the Stations of the Cross, oil paintings on copper imported from Czechoslovakia and the pipe organ were installed in 1932.

Following WWII, the church was renovated, a convent was purchased, classroom additions and a parish hall with gym facilities followed. Later

the Bethlehem Chapel and Birthline building, the school playground, the existing convent house and the current Parish Center were added. In 2007-2008, Fr. Thomas Scaletty organized a phased building project to remodel the church and to expand the school building.

From its humble beginnings to the present-day campus over the span of 114 years, God has abundantly blessed St. Patrick Catholic Church by His providence to do His work. Our parish campus is vital as we grow and enhance our commitment to our faith and provides a place to learn and worship. It provides a place where we can pass on to future generations our beliefs, our values, and the teachings of our Catholic heritage. It provides a place for us to gather as a family to share our faith.

GRANDMA'S RED KITCHEN CHAIR

By Tim Fairchild

I was asked to write a few thoughts about our soon-beginning capital campaign to raise money to refurbish and reconfigure our parish campus. Writing about this is certainly a challenging endeavor. What do I have to say about that? How in the world did I get on that list? Initially I am stumped; so to give this effort my best shot, I do what I do just about every morning: sit in Grandma Sachen's old red kitchen chair. You know, the one with chrome legs and vinyl back and seat. We inherited a pair of these along with the grey chrome-legged Formica table. Grandma and Grandpa Sachen were just the best. They were Bridget's paternal grandparents from Yugoslavia. Their Croatian culture on Strawberry Hill in Kansas City, Kansas was a wonderful, whole new experience for me. Sunday lunch at Grandma and Grandpa Sachen's house was always a feast. Paul and Mary always seemed to offer their best to me.

I think this is the crux of this campaign for me: to really do my best. To sit in this old red chair and really think about what it means to do my best—in religious vernacular, to examine my conscience. It is a sometimes uncomfortable feeling to think about this—to commit and trust that I can do better. But my time

in that red kitchen chair produced a belief that I can. I don't have a number yet, but being truthful and honest, I absolutely know I can do better. I wouldn't presume to tell anybody how much to give, how to give it, or what type of sacrifice to make for the common good of our parish. All I can do is tell you I will do better! I promise! It is just and right to be a beacon of worship, fellowship, and loving Christian service: to be witnesses, in Chanute and in our larger Christian communities. I sat there in Grandma's chair and thought; in between commitment and trust is joy.

You may not have a red kitchen chair, but I hope you have a place where you can spend time away from the typical movement and noise of daily living and consider this undertaking, and trust in a commitment.

Finally I remember what Fr. Tom Scaletty told me once when we were talking about Christian living. "God doesn't want 3%, He doesn't want 10%, He wants 100%!" What an incredible challenge this wise priest offered to me! Fr. Tom was never one to pull punches. I get it: all my love, not a piece of it. I can and will do better.

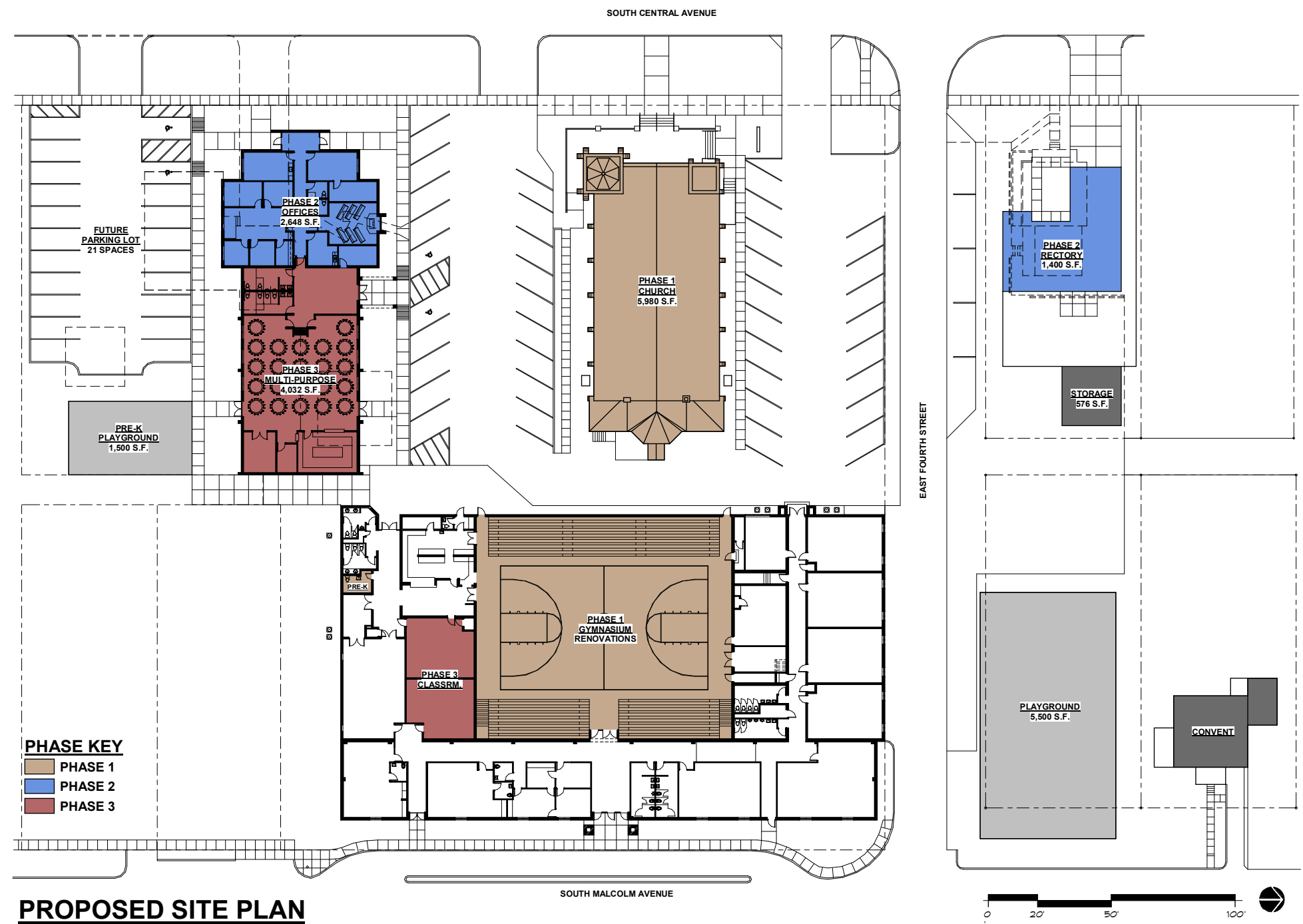
Heavenly Father, we thank you for continually blessing our parish family. Now, as you call us to prepare for the future and to preserve our heritage, remind us that you are our hope. Send us your grace that we may have hearts that are both generous and open to your will. Guide and bless us, so that generations to come may continue to grow together with Christ in this holy place. We ask this, and all things, through Christ our Lord.

Amen



DUANE & SALLIE KNAPP

“Over the years, we have committed to trying to be good stewards. Giving of our time, talent and treasure allows us to assist our Church in its mission. There are immediate issues as well as future improvements that have been identified. We are supporting the Capital Campaign as we strongly feel it addresses the current problems and the plans for St. Patrick Church, now and in the future.”



PROPOSED CAMPAIGN PROJECT FEATURES

MAIN CHURCH

- Parapet wall
- Roof shingles
- SW bell tower dome roof
- SW bell tower masonry
- SW bell tower louvers
- NW tower masonry
- NW tower roof
- Interior plaster walls and ceiling
- Drainage issues
- Restrooms and reconciliation room
- HVAC system

GYMNASIUM

- Flooring
- Equipment
- HVAC system
- Lighting
- Classroom
- Preschool – add restroom
- Miscellaneous expenses

Construction Costs.....	\$540,000
General Contractor.....	97,000
Architectural Fee.....	52,000
Contingency.....	63,000
Total construction costs.....	\$752,000
Campaign consultant fees.....	39,000
Tithe to the Diocese.....	79,000
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$870,000



SATINNE WICKER

We are looking forward to the much needed repairs and improvements to come during this campaign. We feel this is a great opportunity to give back to the church that has done so much for each of us. With 4 young daughters we hope to enjoy many more events and sacrament celebrations in our parish and the plans to improve our campus moving forward look incredible!



PATTY UNGLES

"I grew up as a member of our parish family, as did my daughters after me. Through the success of the parish capital campaign, we can all ensure future generations a place to worship and grow in the faith, as we did here at St. Patrick Church."

Dear Parishioners,

For more than 100 years our church has been a place where countless people have encountered the blessings, grace and love of Jesus Christ. People have turned to our Lord and worshipped in our beautiful church during difficult years of hardship, struggle and uncertainty, as well as in joyous times of baptisms, weddings, First Holy Communions, and Confirmations.

And this just scratches the surface of what this campus has meant to our parishioners and parish family over the years. It's for this reason that we need to take time, right now, to give added care to these buildings we hold so dear in our hearts.

Over the last 12 months, the parish leadership has met on many occasions to determine the needs of our parish family, both today and in the future. We have appreciated your input, suggestions, and ideas as we have tried to determine the best use of our buildings and land to meet not only our current needs, but also the foreseeable needs of the future. After a feasibility study was conducted this past fall, we believe that the time is NOW to begin the important work of raising funds to restore and enhance our treasured buildings.

As a part of this church family, you are invited to become involved in our capital campaign, "Investing in our future... Preserving our past." Please review this information carefully and prayerfully consider how you might be able to contribute to the church's present and future through a three-year pledge that is above and beyond your normal giving. These buildings, and in a particular way our church (and the valuable ministries that take place in it), are here because of the heritage given to us. Now it is our time to restore, repair, and enhance our possibilities for future growth and vitality as individuals, as families, and as a parish.

In the end, people don't give money just because the church has needs. People give money when they see the church meeting needs. We believe in St. Patrick Church and are proud of what God has done through our church. We have so much hope for the future, because of the many blessings the Lord has bestowed upon us already. I pray you will choose to take part in this very necessary capital campaign...to invest in our future, while preserving our past.

In Christ,
Father Michael Linnebur

UNDERSTANDING THE STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TITHE IN A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.

From the very beginning in 1985, when our Diocese took the leap of faith in becoming a full stewardship diocese, capital campaigns such as ours have included a tithe of 10% of all contributions to the wider church.

Our parish tithing of both regular Sunday gifts and capital campaign gifts to the Diocese is used to support many works in our Diocese such as the Spiritual Life Center, Catholic Charities, the education of seminarians, just to name a few. It

also allows all registered parishioners to receive the Catholic Advance, twice a month.

The Diocese, in addition to using our parish tithe to operate the Chancery, sends 10% of what is received by all the parishes to the national and worldwide Church through the support of the foreign missions, disaster relief, assistance to the Holy Land, and many others.

In the end, the stewardship way of life begins by each of us recognizing that all is gift - everything we have is a gift from God. And when we lovingly share our gifts, we become more fully the disciples Christ is calling us to be.

THREE-YEAR PLEDGE CHART: CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GIFT EXAMPLES

TOTAL GIFT	MONTHLY	QUARTERLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	ANNUALLY
\$100,000	\$2,778	\$8,334	\$16,667	\$33,334
\$75,000	2,084	6,250	12,500	25,000
\$50,000	1,388	4,167	8,334	16,667
\$40,000	1,111	3,334	6,667	13,334
\$30,000	834	2,500	5,000	10,000
\$25,000	694	2,084	4,167	8,333
\$20,000	556	1,667	3,334	6,667
\$15,000	417	1,250	2,500	5,000
\$10,000	278	834	1,667	3,334
\$8,000	222	667	1,334	2,667
\$5,000	139	417	834	1,667
\$2,000	56	167	334	667
\$1,000	27	84	167	334
\$500	14	42	84	167

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGE

Thank you so much for your continued commitment to the St. Patrick parish. At this important moment in our church's history, we ask you to consider a gift to "Investing in our future... Preserving our Past" capital campaign to enhance our facilities.

We understand some may not have the resources to make a large commitment, but we do believe everyone can make a prayerful, sacrificial gift. Together we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Keep in mind that a pledge to our campaign is in addition to your annual giving which is essential for church operations. We ask that members not deduct from their regular giving to make a campaign gift.

Members often desire a guideline be provided. As we have no way of knowing your financial capability, this amount may be more or less than what is affordable for you. Based on your past giving, we ask you

to consider a gift in that range payable over a three year period. We are encouraging each member to pray over their decision and give all they can to this important endeavor. If you can give more or less than the guidelines provided, please know that all gifts are appreciated and confidential.

Gifts may be cash, check or electronic payments. Stocks and bonds, or other appreciated assets, commodities, insurance policies, IRA distributions, or real estate are also welcome options to fulfill your commitment. For further information or questions regarding how to make these gifts or the tax benefits, please contact your financial advisor.

Pledges to the campaign do not constitute a legal obligation. It is our hope that you will pledge all you can in support of this very important effort in the mission of the St. Patrick parish. Thank you for your consideration.



LINDA ASHLEY

"As a lifetime member of St. Patrick Church, I am looking so very forward to the upcoming renovations, additions and improvements to the church, school and other parish facilities. I attended St. Patrick School from grade 1 through grade 9, went to daily Mass, and have received all of my sacraments here. My education was the best, and my spiritual upbringing has made me the Christian person I am today. I love the involvement I have with my priest and fellow parishioners, and consider St. Patrick Church as my second home and family. I will always continue to be involved and am very anxious and excited to see the big changes that will occur in the near future. What a celebration it will then be!"



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