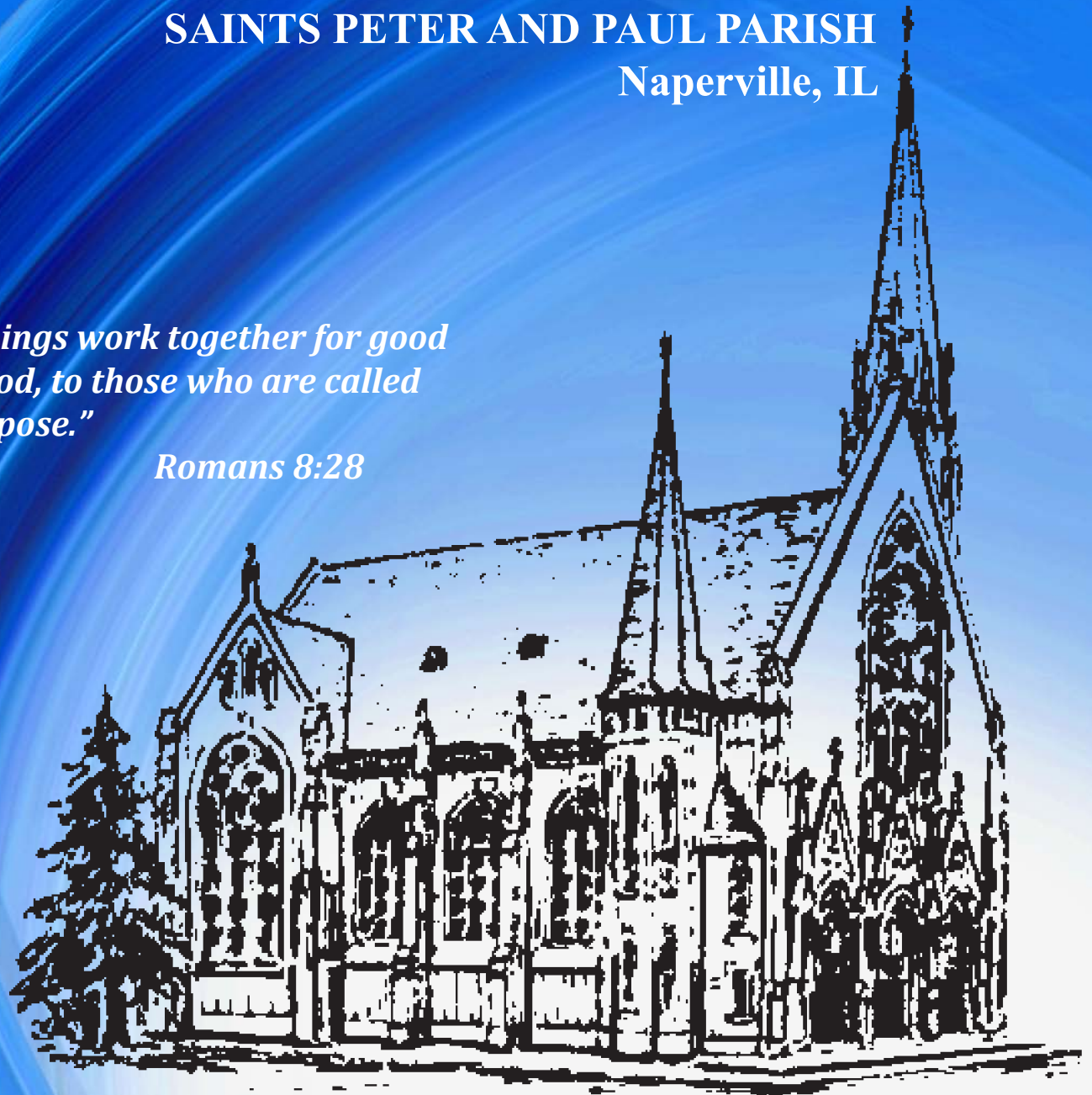


SAINTS PETER AND PAUL PARISH
Naperville, IL

*"We know that all things work together for good
for those who love God, to those who are called
according to his purpose."*

Romans 8:28



PASS IT ON

Honor our Heritage...Ensure the Future

A Message *To You*



Dear Friend of SS. Peter and Paul Parish,

Pass it on!

In 1860, Fr. John Peter Carolus was the pastor at Saints Peter and Paul. He realized that they were living in tough times so he invited Fr. Xavier Wenniger to preach a parish mission. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the mission renewed the faith of the parishioners and reunited the community. The proof is found on the south side of our beautiful parish church in the form of a cross with the date "1860" marked on it. The inscription in German is translated: "He who perseveres to the end will be blessed."

God has indeed blessed the perseverance and sacrifice of our forebears as well as the generosity of our people today. The fruit of that mission in 1860 gave birth to a commitment to pass on the faith which lasts to the present day. Wenker Hall (formerly Carolus Hall), our parish church (1927), the Junior High Building (1958), the St. Paul Center (convent completed in 1963), and the Parish Ministry Center (1999) stand as symbols and tools for the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ and a sign of our baptismal promise.

How many people have received our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist since the founding of our parish in 1846? How many children have learned how our Lord has created them in His image and likeness? How many have heard his merciful words in the confessional? How many babies baptized? How many have been carried to heaven by the prayers uttered here over the last 165 years? How many have carried with them the faith nurtured here to the four corners of the globe?

The mission God gave to the members of our community throughout its history remains vital today. Our religious education programs are growing. Our parish school is one of the few in the Diocese of Joliet that will grow this coming year. We had a net increase in parish registrations last year of over 100 families. Over 35 people were received into the church last year. Babies are being baptized. Couples wed. Children taught the faith.

When we invite you to be a part of "**Pass It On: Honor our Heritage and Ensure the Future,**" you are being invited into this mission! The specifics may not seem glamorous...the projects may not be exciting, but the preservation of our buildings for future generations of children and faithful of all ages advances this important mission into the future. Your sacrificial gift not only preserves a building but unites you with the mission God gave us on the day of our baptism. Let us persevere to the end...let us "Pass it on: Honor our heritage and Ensure the future."

May Almighty God bless you as you consider a gift which will unite you to this sacred cause.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas A. Milota
Pastor

Mike Sznajder
Campaign Chairman

Ray Jones
Lead Gift Chairman

Peter Vanderheyden
Major Gift Chairman

Kathy McHugh
Special Gift Chairman

Our Heritage is Blessed

From the first days of Saints Peter and Paul Parish in the 1850s, these have been the work of every generation here:

- To sustain a strong church that stands as a welcoming house of God.
- To give our children a safe and healthy environment for learning.
- To cherish our parish resources.

Our heritage is blessed. For more than 160 years, generous Catholics before us built up one of the most vibrant communities of faith imaginable.

Now it is our opportunity to ensure that their gift is passed on to the future. We need to strengthen our parish. Buildings are in need of some tender loving care. Failing heat and cooling systems every day waste money and energy and impact our classrooms, and our protections against fire and crime must be upgraded. We can no longer delay solving these and other critical needs.



Father Schutte at our current church's 1925 ground breaking ceremony.



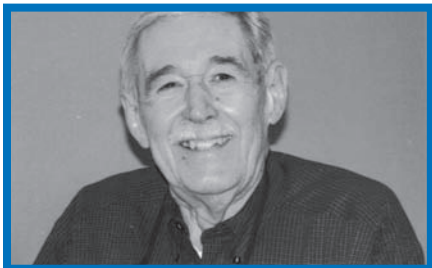
The book of Ecclesiastes tells us of “a time to build up” (3:3). Generations have gathered within this center of community worship. Now is our time to strengthen our inheritance – so generations more can pray, learn and serve God with each other.

In the name of Christ, let us make our offerings together as a parish family.

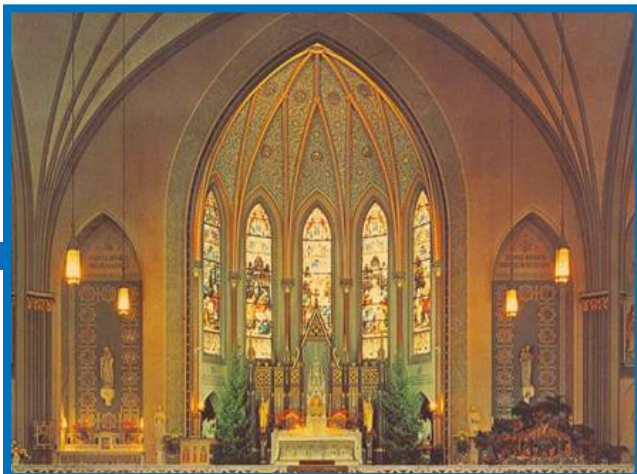
Please pass it on.

Our *Needs*

Our beautiful Church is in need of a fire protection upgrade, along with an update to electrical and plumbing and the replacement of the heating system. The loud heating system now in place interferes with the sanctity of Mass. It often makes the interior uncomfortable and wastes untold money through inefficiency. Wood frame windows need restoration and decorative painting will restore the sanctuary to its past glory. Estimated cost...\$694,000.



“My grandfather often told the story of the old church burning and how devastating it was to the parish. I’m happy to hear that an updated fire system is being installed so we never have to witness such destruction.”



Christmas
Circa 1960



“Sometimes it’s hard to hear during Mass. A quieter heating system would be nice.”



"We are blessed to have this wonderful facility. We use every inch to teach our Catholic faith to hundreds of students."
Religious Education Coordinators.



The Ministry Center, which accommodates the needs of our ever growing, vibrant parish, is in need of a fire protection upgrade, along with further updating to the heating and cooling systems. The roof gable copings need repair along with other miscellaneous maintenance. Estimated cost...\$166,000.



Religious Education
in action.



Our *Needs*



Vacation Bible School
is held in the Ministry Center.

Our Needs



"We love our school. Here we learn everything we need to know to get to heaven."



Wenker Hall, our iconic parish elementary school building which also is used for religious education, critically requires tuck-pointing to ensure that bricks do not fall from the building. The roof, fascias, soffits, gutters and downspouts all need replacing. Plumbing and electrical upgrades are needed to improve efficiency. Estimated cost...\$478,700.



First Holy Communion – yesterday and today.





Religious Education 5th graders.

The Junior High Building, which serves religious education and parish school students, badly needs to have the antiquated, 50 year old heating and cooling system replaced. Students have difficulty hearing their teachers over the noisy system, and often windows need to be kept open in the winter to fight overheating. Repairs are needed to make the entrances safer and the building ADA compliant. Upgrading for more efficient electrical and plumbing, tuck-pointing and other miscellaneous maintenance items need our attention. Estimated cost...\$1,066,000.



"A safe and comfortable environment is a must."
Mrs. Aderton, religious education teacher

Our *Needs*



Mr Glowaty reviews a report card.



our *Needs*

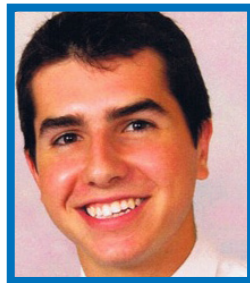
The Saint Paul Center, fondly referred to as the Convent, also houses the beloved Adoration Chapel. This building requires the installation of an updated fire protection system. Old and failing windows and other miscellaneous items need to be addressed.

Estimated cost...\$226,300.



“Eucharistic Adoration is a gift for our parish. To spend time with our Lord in adoration is a source of great grace and consolation, and a place of refuge in times of difficulty. It is in the solace of adoration that I hear the voice of the Lord.”

Paul Solomon,
seminarian



Our Needs

Please help *Pass It On* reach
our goal of \$3,131,000.

Your 3 year pledge can make the difference!



Estimated Costs:

Church	\$ 694,000
Ministry Center	\$ 166,000
Wenker Hall	\$ 478,700
Junior High School	\$ 1,066,000
Saint Paul Center	\$ 226,300

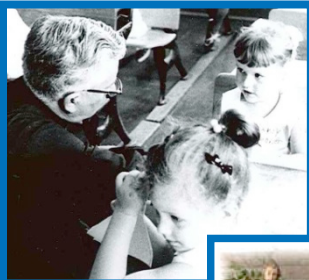
Subtotal: \$ 2,631,000

Contingency Fund: \$ 300,000

Maintenance Fund: \$ 200,000

Total Funds Needed: \$ 3,131,000

Our Parish Family



With Your Help *Our Parish Will Be*

SAFER

Updated fire protection systems provide automatic control before a fire could become life threatening and ensure compliance with building codes. In general, sprinklers reduce potential damage by at least 80% - a worthwhile investment. Improved electrical systems will reduce potential fire hazards.



HEALTHIER

Updated heating and cooling systems provide healthier conditions for parishioners, parish school and religious education students by filtering out pollutants and allergens. New systems reduce emissions, leaving air cleaner.

Safer healthier environmentally friendly cost effective efficient



With Your Help *Our Parish Will Be*



MORE EFFICIENT

New and upgraded heating and air conditioning will work more efficiently and uniformly, with automated systems detecting problems before they become serious. Auto sensors help to conserve our natural resources. New lighting will be more energy efficient.

MORE COST EFFECTIVE

Concurrent replacement of major building components will maximize the benefits of each. A new roof, windows, and doors will increase the effectiveness of the new heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems by cutting energy consumption due to the loss of warm and cool air. This also protects the building interior from unnecessary wear and damage, safeguarding our investment.



friendly cost effective efficient Safer healthier



MORE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

Old window air conditioners use Freon which is released into the atmosphere causing long-term damage. A new air conditioning system will use R-410, a refrigerant which is much more environmentally sound. Furnace emissions would be minimized with new heating systems in the church and junior high.

Questions & *Answers*

Q. Are the cost estimates for these projects accurate?

A. We believe that they are. While these costs are all estimates, we feel that they are reasonable. In 2005, a facilities study was performed and then updated in 2010 by two professional architectural and design/engineering firms. The study was then reviewed and approved by the Diocese of Joliet.

Q. When will the work begin?

A. This will be dependent on the pace with which donations are received. The goal is to begin work the summer of 2012 and will be accomplished in phases over the period of four years.

Q. What is the plan in the event the goal is not reached?

A. The *Pass It On* committee believes that \$3,131,000 is a realistic goal. Consequently, we continue to focus on achieving or exceeding this goal. In the event that the goal is not reached, alternative courses of action will have to be weighed, including not completing our “to do” list.

Q. Will there be recognition of the donors to the campaign?

A. Yes! All donors will be recognized in a memorial booklet, and those who donate \$2,500 or more will be recognized on a special memorial display.

Q. Why am I being asked to pledge rather than pay cash?

A. We cannot expect to reach our goal of \$3,131,000 with out-of-pocket, one-time donations. Pledging allows you to give what you truly believe to be a thoughtful, generous, and proportionate investment rather than what you can spare at the moment. Pledging permits making larger gifts by spreading out the payments over a three-year period.

Q. Can I fulfill my pledge with securities?

A. Yes you can. Please access the Pass It On web page via the parish website at www.saintspeterandpaul.net for detailed instructions, or call the parish office.



Questions & *Answers*

Q. Why do we need *Pass It On* to complete these projects?

A. Although the Parish has accomplished a great deal over the last nine years, we do not have the financial resources to complete projects such as these through the offertory. The weekly collections are used for the day-to-day operation of the entire parish campus.

Q. Is my pledge in addition to what I am already giving in support of the parish ministries?

A. Pledges to the campaign should be viewed as above and beyond the offerings which support the operation of the parish. *Pass It On* is a special way to meet the needs which cannot be met through weekly or other offerings.

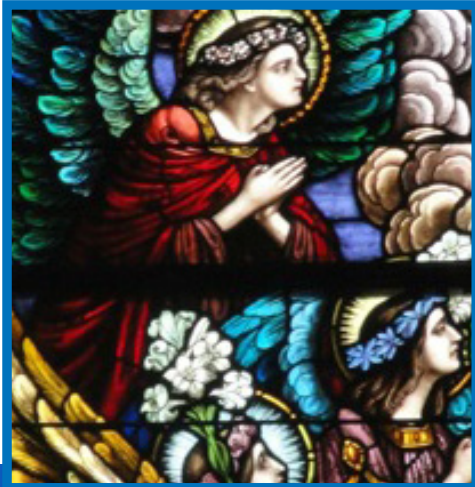
Q. Why inaugurate *Pass It On* now, during difficult economic times?

A. This campaign was originally planned for the fall of 2008; however, the Parish Council, the Parish Administration Commission, and Father Milota determined that it was necessary to put the campaign on hold due to the extreme economic stress and uncertainty that existed at that time. While the current economic climate is not ideal, the physical needs of the parish facilities continue to mount. As time passes, the issues that currently exist become larger, more serious and more expensive to resolve. As stewards of our parish home, it is vital that we do all we can to preserve the gifts of those who came before us, and that we do so responsibly.

Q. How can we expect to raise \$3,131,000 when some parishioners are on fixed incomes or having difficulties in meeting current financial needs?

A. We hope that every member of the parish community will share some level of responsibility in funding the repair and renovation of our parish facilities. The amount pledged will depend upon one's financial situation. We recognize that some of our parishioners are on fixed incomes and other are experiencing difficult times. We ask that you please keep the success of *Pass It On* in your prayers and give as generously as your situation allows.



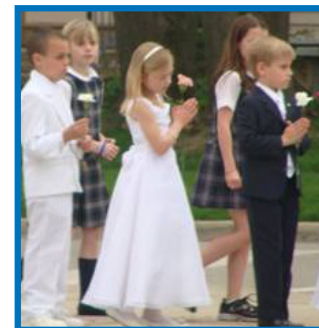


Tax Advantages of Thoughtful Giving...

Federal and state laws on income and inheritance taxes encourage charitable giving. All annual contributions to our campaign are tax deductible. It is particularly advantageous for some people to contribute appreciated securities. Please access the Pass It On web page via the parish web site www.saintspeterandpaul.net for details.

As You Make Your Pledge *Please Remember*

- Payment reminders and special payment envelopes will be mailed to you in accordance with your pledge and payment plan.
- Pledges are not legally binding, but rather an indication of your intentions.
- Pledge payments are deductible for tax purposes.
- Please make checks payable to Saints Peter and Paul Parish **Pass It On**.
- Payments can be made over a period of 36 months.
- Pledge payments are in addition to your regular offertory contribution. The offertory collection pays for the day-to-day operations of the parish, while your pledge to **Pass It On** will be used specifically for the tasks itemized for this project.
- Check with your Company for a Matching Gift Program.



You Can Never Out Give God

For Your Consideration *Gift Plans*

Giving Level	Pledge Amount	10% Down Payment	3 Annual Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	36 Monthly Payments
Lead Gifts	\$ 100,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 2,500
	\$ 75,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 22,500	\$ 5,625	\$ 1,875
	\$ 50,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,750	\$ 1,250
Major Gifts	\$ 25,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 1,875	\$ 625
	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 500
	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 1,125	\$ 375
	\$ 7,500	\$ 750	\$ 2,250	\$ 563	\$ 188
Special Gifts	\$ 5,000	\$ 500	\$ 1,500	\$ 375	\$ 125
	\$ 3,600	\$ 360	\$ 1,080	\$ 270	\$ 90
	\$ 2,500	\$ 250	\$ 750	\$ 188	\$ 63
	\$ 1,800	\$ 180	\$ 540	\$ 135	\$ 45
	\$ 1,000	\$ 100	\$ 300	\$ 75	\$ 25

Wishing to transfer securities to Pass It On, access the Pass It On web page via the parish website at www.sspeterandpaul.net for instructions.

Help Fulfill The Mission

Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated. Prayerfully consider the importance of parish life. The blessings received from religious education, our priests, the Mass and the Holy Sacraments. What are they worth? Can you find \$25 a month, \$63 a month, or maybe even \$125 a month or more?

Donations of \$2,500 or more will be recognized on a special memorial display.
All donations will be recognized in a memorial booklet after the completion of *Pass It On*.



Almighty and faithful God,
you so loved your earthly creation
That you sent your only son
to be our priest and teacher,
our healer and redeemer.

It was always in your plan that the
Good News he proclaimed
be lived out in your people
and passed on to future generations.

For this we bless you.

Lord Jesus, to this end you built God's church
upon the rock of Peter and your disciples.

In time your message grew and required
houses of worship and institutions of learning.
In these buildings you are present with us
in word and sacrament,
fulfilling your promise to remain with us
until the end of time.

For this we thank you.

Holy Spirit,
it is with hope and conviction
that we look to you for guidance
as we seek to renew and preserve
the structures that house our community.

Inform our decisions
that we may use our resources wisely
and continue to pass on
the blessings of our heritage.

For this we beseech you.

Most Holy Trinity,
with joy and determination,
all that we do will be undertaken
for the glory of your name.

May our efforts lead us
from this earthly construction
to the heavenly home
you have prepared for us from all time.
We ask this in the name of the Father
and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Pass It On 2011