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Holy Family Catholic Community Rectory Project Frequently Asked Questions

How much of the project cost has been raised?

As of June 12, we have raised \$1.31 million in donations or pledges. The remainder of the funds can be supported with donations and the sale of the current rectories.

Will there be any additional costs beyond what Holy Family is currently paying for utilities and maintenance?

As the new rectory will be more energy efficient than our current rectories, we believe we will see in a decrease in the cost of utilities. We also anticipate that the building will need minimal maintenance. New construction maintenance is much cheaper, and in many cases, does not require repairs or new items for 5-10 years.

Will the parish be taking on any debt? Will it impact our ability to provide programming?

Our hope is that with our fundraising efforts, we will not have to take on any extra debt. While we may have to take out a construction loan if people choose to pledge money rather than make a one-time donation, this loan would be short-term. This project will not negatively impact our parish finances in any way, or our ability to provide programming or sponsorships in the community.

With so many other needs in our parish community, is the right time?

There is no perfect time to launch a project. We understand the challenges that some are facing due to the pandemic, but, with an Archdiocese of Milwaukee capital campaign on the horizon, our time is limited to launch our own campaign for the rectory. Constructing the rectory at this time will not diminish our ability to help our parishioners and others in need in our community. We will also continue to support other projects in Fond du Lac, including the St. Katharine Drexel Homeless Shelter campaign co-sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul and Solutions Center, and do not believe our fundraising will negatively impact theirs.

Does the parish expect to have five priests to live in the rectory 5 to 10 years from now?

Based on the number of vocations, the parish expects to have at least five priests for the next 5 to 10 years.

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Are the Holy Family priests in support of communal living?

Yes. The priests support the building of the new rectory and are interested in living communally. This interest is reflected in seminarians as well, who, when becoming diocesan priests, are required to live their first three years in a rectory. We hope that the rectory will help us continue to draw priests with vibrant ministries, which will benefit the faith lives of our priests and parishioners alike

Is it necessary that rectory be 8,000 square feet?

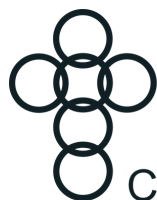
Yes. As our Holy Family priests will live in community in the rectory, it must be constructed to include both public and private living spaces for all those who call it home and those who are guests. These public spaces include a chapel, kitchen, great room, finished basement, basement storage, outdoor patio, and a small meeting room. It is important to note that of the 8,000 square feet, about 5,000 square feet is living space. When this is split between five priests, it is equivalent to 1,000 square feet per person.

Who will oversee this process?

The parish pastor with the assistance of a Holy Family Rectory Committee will oversee every aspect of this project. The Rectory Committee was formed at the request of the Pastoral and Finance Councils who are charged with representing the entire parish and managing the finances of our community. The Archdiocese of Milwaukee Building Commission will assist the parish in overseeing the project and cooperates with the Holy Family Rectory Committee to see the project through to completion.

When will we break ground?

We hope to break ground on the new rectory in late fall. To begin construction, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee requires at least half of the total cost to be raised.



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