



Capital Campaign – What’s Next

As Fr. Joseph announced during Mass last weekend, we have approval from the Diocese of Davenport and Bishop Dennis Walsh to move forward with initiating a Capital Campaign for our Phase I expansion of our Faith Formation classrooms, new multi-purpose room and kitchen.

Our Capital Campaign General Chairs committee has been formed – read about them below! They will be working over the next couple of months to plan for initiating the capital campaign in the fall. We are excited to kick off this parish-wide launching event on **Sunday, September 20** following Mass. Please save the date! An invitation will be forthcoming.

In the coming months, you can expect:

- Continued communication and updates as plans are finalized
- Opportunities to get involved in campaign leadership and volunteer roles. As our General Chair members reach out to invite you to help in various roles, please prayerfully consider.
- A focus on prayer, discernment, and unity as we prepare for the next phase

Capital Campaign General Chairs

	<u>Howard and Jenny Anderson</u> We have been members of St. Mary for 17 years after Howard completed OCIA in 2009. Our son, Grant (20), has finished his 3rd year of Chemical Engineering at the University of Iowa. Jenny has served on parish council and worked with the Central College Catholics (C3). Howard is the Treasurer for Knights of Columbus. We have served as coffee time hosts and in the Tulip Time stand. We currently serve as Ushers and have recently been trained as Marriage Prep Sponsors. St. Mary of Pella is in a unique position as a growing and vibrant Catholic Church. We believe we can help the church to prepare for the future with a prudent and responsible Capital Campaign.
	<u>Travis and Jennifer Beard</u> Jennifer and I have been members of St Mary for 15 years. We have two boys Drake(24) and Reed(20) Both of us have served as catechist and served at the Tulip Time stand. Jennifer has helped with the Spring into Auction and Travis serves as Homebound minister, Eucharist minister, Sacristan, Parish Council, and is the treasurer for the 4th degree knights. We believe in the mission of the church, We want to help our parish grow and strengthen our ministries.



Nate Guess

Kate and I have been members of St Mary's for 13 years. We have three children; Harper, Will and Drew. Kate is a faith formation teacher and I have participated in parish council in the past. We are grateful for our church community and want to help support the future of our church.



Brian Huddle

I have been a member at St Mary for 20 years. My wife Beth Holcomb and I have five children and eight grandchildren. I am in charge of Building and Grounds, I am a 4th degree Knight of Columbus, a catechist, an usher at mass, and Beth and I are on the Art and Environment Committee. My involvement with the Expansion Committee is something Beth and I are very excited about. The faith formation program here at St. Mary is doing an amazing job of teaching and guiding our youth, and we believe these plans for expansion will continue moving that program even further, bringing God to our kids and to the youth of the future.



Keith and Chrissy Mann

We have been members at St. Mary's since 2020 with our three children, Ainsley (12), Warren (10), and William (8). Chrissy has been involved in Faith Formation as a Catechist, and Keith recently completed OCIA. We are excited to support the Expansion Committee. St. Mary's is a vibrant and growing parish that has given so much to our family, and we are grateful for the opportunity to help ensure it continues to flourish for current and future generations. We look forward to serving alongside fellow parishioners as we support the parish's mission.



Jeff and Tara Menke

We have been members since we moved back to Pella in 2014. We have three children. Jackson (19) just finished his freshman year at the University of St. Thomas, studying Mechanical Engineering. Carter (17) will be a senior and Ella (15) will be a sophomore at Pella High School. Jeff is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Tulip Time Steering Committee and is a Eucharistic Minister. Tara has been a Catechist, Parish Council member, led Spring into Auction, a Tulip Time Steering Committee and is a lector. We are also Marriage Prep Sponsors. We are excited to help St. Mary's during this time of growth. We have seen first-hand what a vibrant faith formation program has done for our children and the need to foster it for future generations.



Dustin and Kendra Monet

We have been members of St. Mary for 11 years (Dustin) and 3 years (Kendra). We have two young children, Claire (3) and Levi (10 months), and are grateful to be raising our family in such a faith-filled community. Kendra has been involved in the music ministry since 2022 and Dustin is a member of the Knights of Columbus, serves on the parish lawn mowing crew, and enjoys volunteering at the Tulip Time food stand. We are honored to serve as General Chairs for the parish expansion campaign to help create a space where our children, and generations of parishioners to come, can continue to grow in faith and encounter Christ.