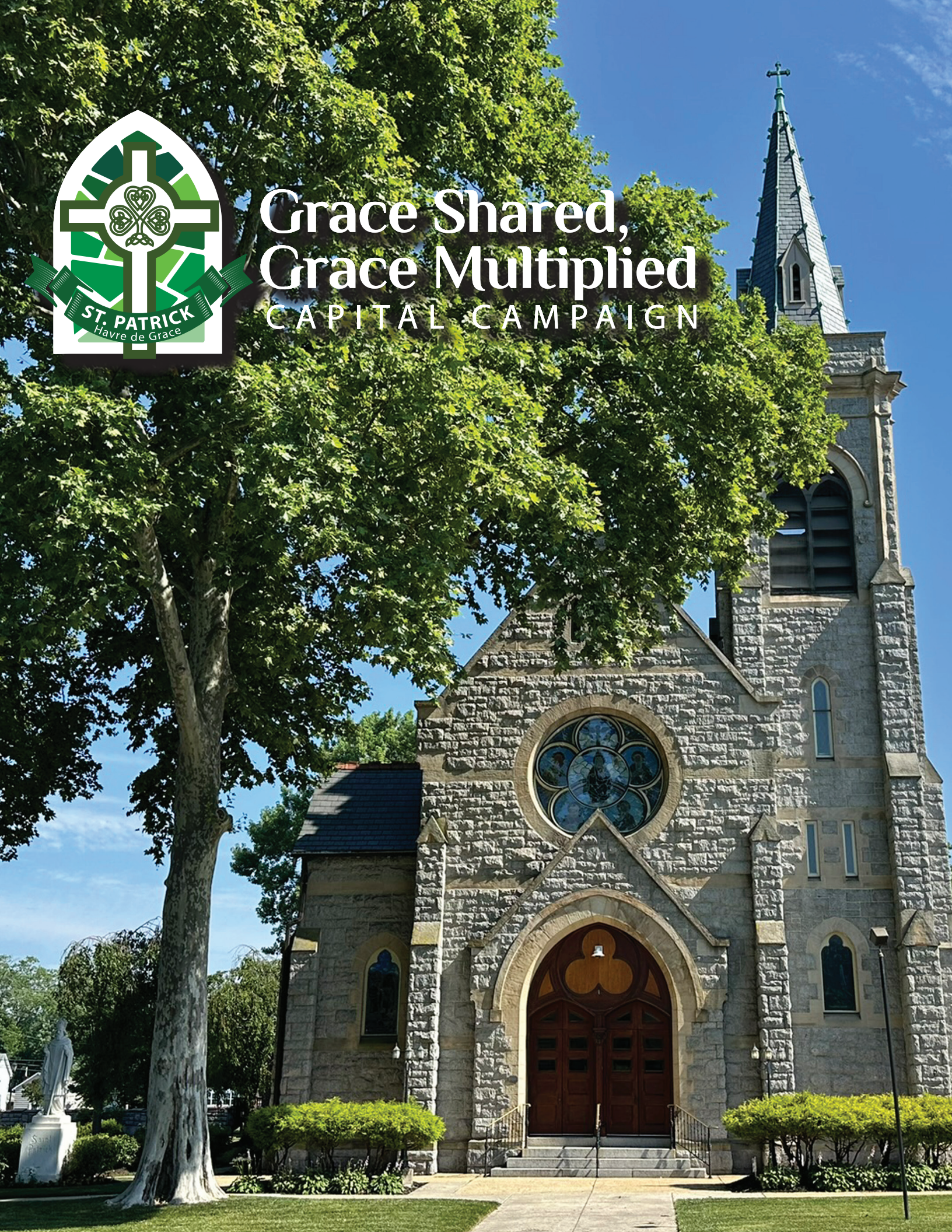




Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



Dear Parishioners of St. Patrick Church,

Grace and peace of the Lord to you all. As we enter into this incredible journey, **“Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied”** Capital Campaign, I am filled with great joy and hope for you all and for our beloved parish. I hope you all know how glad I am to minister here with you all at St. Patrick’s.

“ For it is all
for your sake,
so that as
grace extends
to more and
more people it
may increase
thanksgiving,
to the glory
of God.”

2 Corinthians 4:15

Our mission has always been to provide a place where all may come to encounter Christ and pursue the journey towards eternal life. We have together aided and launched many activities and ministries to help us achieve our mission. Core to everything we do here is the worship of our Triune God, as we come together as the Mystical Body of Christ, fed each week through the gift of the holy Eucharist. Since our founding, we have grown in spirit and in number, becoming a cornerstone for countless families and individuals in Havre de Grace and beyond. Here, grace is not just received—it is shared and multiplied. Our history tells us that since our foundation in 1847, we have been the longest on this present campus: 177 years now! Our present church building has been standing here for 117 years. Our ministry building and convent building (now rectory) have been here for 72 years and the former rectory for 62 years.

Every 5 years the archdiocese reminds each parish to perform a detailed technical inspection of buildings and facilities and produce better plans for repairs and maintenance. In 2022, an engineering firm Bureau Veritas, did an extensive study of our facilities and made numerous recommendations of items requiring urgent attention and suggested long-term repair priorities. Many of the issues we could attend to immediately were swiftly addressed. However, we felt that big ticket items would be best dealt with during this capital campaign. With much prayer and study, in consultation with our Engineers, Parish Leadership Teams and Facilities Committee, and with an eye to the needs of the future, the **“Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied”** campaign seeks to address key needs of our campus buildings not only for our good, but that of future generations. Just as our existing buildings are the result of the generosity and stewardship of thousands of past and present parishioners, we too have a responsibility to ensure that our church is set on solid footing for generations to come.

Through recent heartfelt conversations with many of you, it has been clear that now is the time to address the growing needs of our parish. That is why we are launching a \$1 million capital campaign, the first phase of a two-phase initiative aimed at ensuring our parish’s sustainability and vitality for generations to come. This campaign is about more than just raising funds—it is about making sacrificial gifts that reflect our deep commitment to our faith and our community. Each gift is a powerful testament to our collective dedication to St. Patrick Church. I want to assure you that every single dollar raised will stay within our parish. Your contributions will directly fund projects that benefit our parish community.

Phase One of our campaign will focus on key projects that address immediate needs. These include essential repairs and upgrades that will enhance our worship experience and ensure the safety and comfort of all who come through our doors. The success of this initial phase will pave the way for the exciting projects planned for Phase Two, including the thoughtful redevelopment of our old rectory space to meet our current needs.

Phase One of this campaign will span over three years, giving us plenty of time to come together, reflect on our blessings, and contribute generously.

As we start this important journey, I ask you to prayerfully consider how you can be part of this transformative effort. Please take a moment to look through this brochure to learn more about our needs and each project. Together, we can ensure that St. Patrick Church continues to thrive and serve as a place where grace is shared and multiplied for years to come.

Thank you for your unwavering faith, generosity, and commitment to our parish community. Let's move forward with hope and excitement, trusting that God will bless our efforts and multiply our gifts.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Fr. Francis Ouma
Pastor, St. Patrick Parish



O God,

You have made us the church
of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ.

Make our Parish a family of
one heart and mind in love
toward You.

Grant that our common life
and work may be an example

to all. Guide our pastor,
parish staff, lay ministers
and volunteers in their

work. Acknowledge the
intercessions of Saint Patrick,

our Patron, and keep us
secure in your love.

Amen.

History of St. Patrick Church in Havre de Grace



The church of St. Patrick's in Havre de Grace has an interesting and storied heritage. It all began with Fr. James Reid, the pastor of St. Ignatius in Hickory, who purchased a land in the farthest corner of his parish (current location of Mt. Erin Cemetery), and in 1843 established there a mission church. Known as St. James the Lesser, the mission church was outgrown approximately 5 years later.

Founding and Early Years (1847-1850)

St. Patrick Church in Havre de Grace, Maryland, was established in 1847. The initiative to build the church began with Rev. Thomas (John) O'Neill, who acquired six building lots from Otho Scott for \$250. The cornerstone was laid in September 1847, and the church was completed by 1850. This initial structure, located at the corner of Warren and Stokes Streets, was a plain granite building measuring 60 by 36 feet. The first baptism celebrated in the church was recorded in June 1852.

Development and Expansion (1862-1930)

In 1862, Rev. J. George Steinhauser built the first rectory. Subsequent improvements under Rev. Joseph L. Barry in 1865 included an organ, a bell tower, and construction of a school. A significant era of development occurred under Rev. James Fitz-Gerald, who served from 1890 to 1930. He spearheaded the construction of the current church building by mobilizing parishioners to quarry stones from Port Deposit. The cornerstone for this new building was laid in 1907, and the church was constructed at the intersection of Stokes Street and Congress Avenue.

Mid-20th Century Changes (1952-1973)

Rev. Monmonier oversaw the building of a new school and convent in 1952. The school, staffed by the Sisters of the Holy Union of the Sacred Hearts, operated until its closure in 1973. This was due to declining enrollment as at the time, the area was attracting more retirees than families. Then convent was renovated in 2022 and now serves as a residence for the clergy. The cornerstone for the former rectory was laid in 1964, a building that is currently uninhabitable due to major unresolved repair needs.

Recent History and Community Engagement (2003-2024)

The Parish Hall, the newest addition to the parish's facilities, was dedicated on June 28, 2003.

St. Patrick Church has seen nearly 23 pastors over its history and has produced several religious vocations, including Rev. John T. Spragger, Rev. Raymond Brezna, Rev. John Abrahams, Rev. John Mike, Rev. Robert Panza, Sister Carole Czyzewski and Permanent Deacon Ed Ramos. The church celebrated its 175th anniversary in 2022 with a series of events and community outreach programs, highlighting its enduring legacy and commitment to the Havre de Grace community.

St. Patrick Church Today: Embracing the Future

Today, St. Patrick Church stands as a vibrant and welcoming community, embracing both its rich history and the promise of the future. With nearly 800 families, the church is a testament to enduring faith and unity. Our mission is to help parishioners encounter Christ and grow in their faith through the Eucharist and active participation in the parish's many ministries. Under the leadership of our current pastor, Fr. Francis Ouma, St. Patrick Church continues to thrive, offering a wide range of liturgical celebrations, faith formation programs, and outreach initiatives. The parish is committed to serving the needs of the community, from supporting local charities to organizing events that foster spiritual growth and fellowship.

As we honor our past and celebrate our present, we remain hopeful and excited about the future, trusting in God's providence and the intercession of St. Patrick to guide us on our journey.



Project Summary

In October 2022, our parish underwent a facility condition assessment, which revealed multiple deficiencies throughout the parish campus. The estimated necessary repairs exceed \$3.5 Million, with the most urgent needs estimated at \$2 Million and concentrated primarily in our church and office/ministry buildings. To address those most critical needs, the parish leadership has planned a capital improvements campaign themed “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied.” To truly be a place of encounter with Christ for people of all backgrounds and walks of life, our parish needs functional and operational buildings. We have inherited them from past generations and are committed to their care for generations to come. By being good stewards of St. Patrick Church resources, we are extending the grace of our faith to many, to the glory of God.

Given the scope of the campaign, we have broken it into two phases.

Phase 1: In the first phase of “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied” campaign, spanning three years, we will focus on addressing critical structural and operational issues within our church and ministry buildings. Our parish church is the most important building on the parish campus, and a heart of our catholic activities. Here we encounter Christ in the sacraments and in others, experience healing, share our joys and sorrows with fellow congregants, form friendships and become equipped for the missionary work Jesus calls us to do. The church repairs will include repairing sanctuary roof trusses, sanctuary floor and bell tower; painting ceiling and walls, upgrading confessionals and renovating the bathroom. The renovations in the Ministry Building, the second most utilized building on our campus, will encompass electrical, plumbing and ADA-compliance improvements. The total estimated cost for the first phase of our campaign is approximately \$1,002,600, and the goal is to preserve the historical and functional aspects of our two key buildings.

Phase 2: In the second phase of our campaign, we will address less urgent but equally important projects aimed at enhancing the overall functionality and accessibility throughout our parish campus. This includes major structural changes, such as repurposing the old Rectory building, and larger-scale improvements, such as HVAC improvements and Elevator Project in the Ministry Building. The estimated cost for this phase is \$1,100,000, while the goal is to modernize the parish’s facilities, ensuring that she remains a welcoming place for catholic worship, ministry, and formation activities to people of all ages and needs.

Goals: Phase One \$1,002,600 Phase Two \$1,100,000

Phase 1: Critical Repairs and Enhancements

Roof Trusses Cost: \$80,000

Repairing the dislodged roof trusses to maintain the structural integrity of the sanctuary space. This is essential for the long-term preservation of our sacred worship area. Ensuring the roof remains sound reflects our commitment to stewardship and care for our parish home.

Sanctuary Floor Repair Cost: \$34,000

The sanctuary floor requires repairs to address signs of deflection and movement, and to provide adequate support for sanctuary's High Altar and furnishings. Restoring the floor will enhance the beauty and functionality of our primary gathering space for worship, fostering a safe and welcoming environment for all.

Bell Tower Repair Cost: \$10,000

Our historic bell tower needs masonry repairs to preserve its structural integrity. The bell has been calling us to prayer and celebration. This project will ensure the bell tower continues to stand as a symbol of our faith and community.

Wall Finishes Cost: \$30,000

Repairing and painting the church walls to remove cracks, water and smoke stains accumulated over time, will refresh the interior of our church, creating a more beautiful and inspiring space for worship and reflection. This project will also help us to clean the murals and the stations of the cross which adorn our church walls.

Ceiling Finishes Cost: \$40,000

Addressing the exposed irregular and stained ceiling elements due to prior water damage, this project will focus on painting the ceiling, and thus enhancing the overall aesthetic appeal of our worship space.

Confessionals' Soundproofing Cost: \$10,000

Adding soundproofing panels and noise control technology to the confessionals will ensure the privacy of confessions. By enhancing confidentiality, we honor the sacredness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and provide a more respectful and serene experience for penitents and clergy.



Restroom RenovationCost: \$10,000

Renovating our church bathroom will improve this essential facility to be more accessible for those challenged with mobility. This project reflects our commitment to hospitality, ensuring that all who visit our parish feel comfortable and cared for.

Technology Hub Relocation.....Cost: \$30,000

Relocating the parish technology hub from the former rectory to the current office building will improve efficiency and security of our technology infrastructure. This project supports the management of parish operations and enhances our ability to communicate and connect with the community.

Plumbing System Modifications Cost: \$183,000

Updating the 72-year-old plumbing system will address current deficiencies and improve overall functionality. Reliable plumbing is essential for the smooth operation of our parish, ensuring that all facilities are in good working order for the benefit of our community.

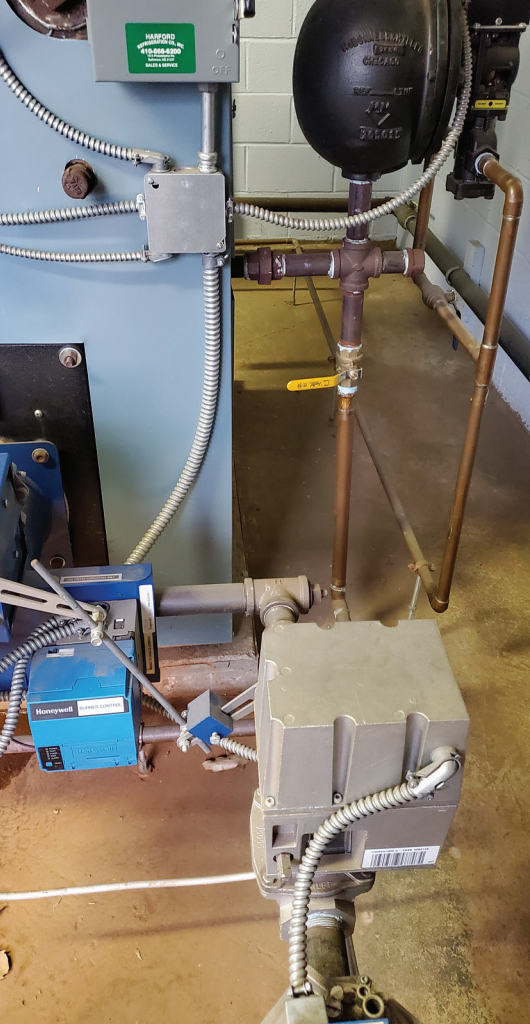
Electrical System Upgrade Cost: \$433,600

Upgrading the electrical system in the ministry building will bring our electrical system up to code and provide framework for any future electrical needs. The current system cannot support the present electrical needs of the parish office and ministries. This project is crucial for maintaining the safety and efficiency of our parish facilities, allowing us to continue our mission without interruption.

Bathrooms..... Cost: \$142,000

Extensive renovations of bathrooms on the upper and lower levels of our ministry building will improve accessibility and convenience for all parishioners. This project demonstrates our commitment to bringing our campus facilities to ADA compliance.





Phase 2: Major Renovations and Upgrades

HVAC Equipment Allowance..... Cost: \$250,000

HVAC improvements in our ministry building will ensure our system functions efficiently. Currently, our system relies on steam heat and is original to the building, while colling is limitedly provided by window units that are inadequately powered. A comprehensive and modernized HVAC system is essential for providing a comfortable environment for parish operations and ministry activities.

Stained Glass Window Refurbishment.....Cost: \$30,000

Completing the restoration of our stained-glass windows will preserve these beautiful and historic adornments of our church. This project enhances the aesthetic appeal of our sanctuary and honors the artistry that inspires catholic worship, through our parish history and the saints depicted.

Old Rectory Cost: \$300,000

Removal of the former rectory building and creation of a structure that combines storage facilities and outdoor pavilion, thus allowing for indoor and outdoor use. This project will also be accompanied by reorganization of the Prayer Garden.

Passenger Elevator Installation..... Cost: \$520,000

Installing a passenger elevator in the ministry building will greatly improve accessibility to its second floor. This project ensures that all parishioners, including the elderly and disabled, can fully participate in parish life, thereby reflecting our commitment to ADA compliance and hospitality.

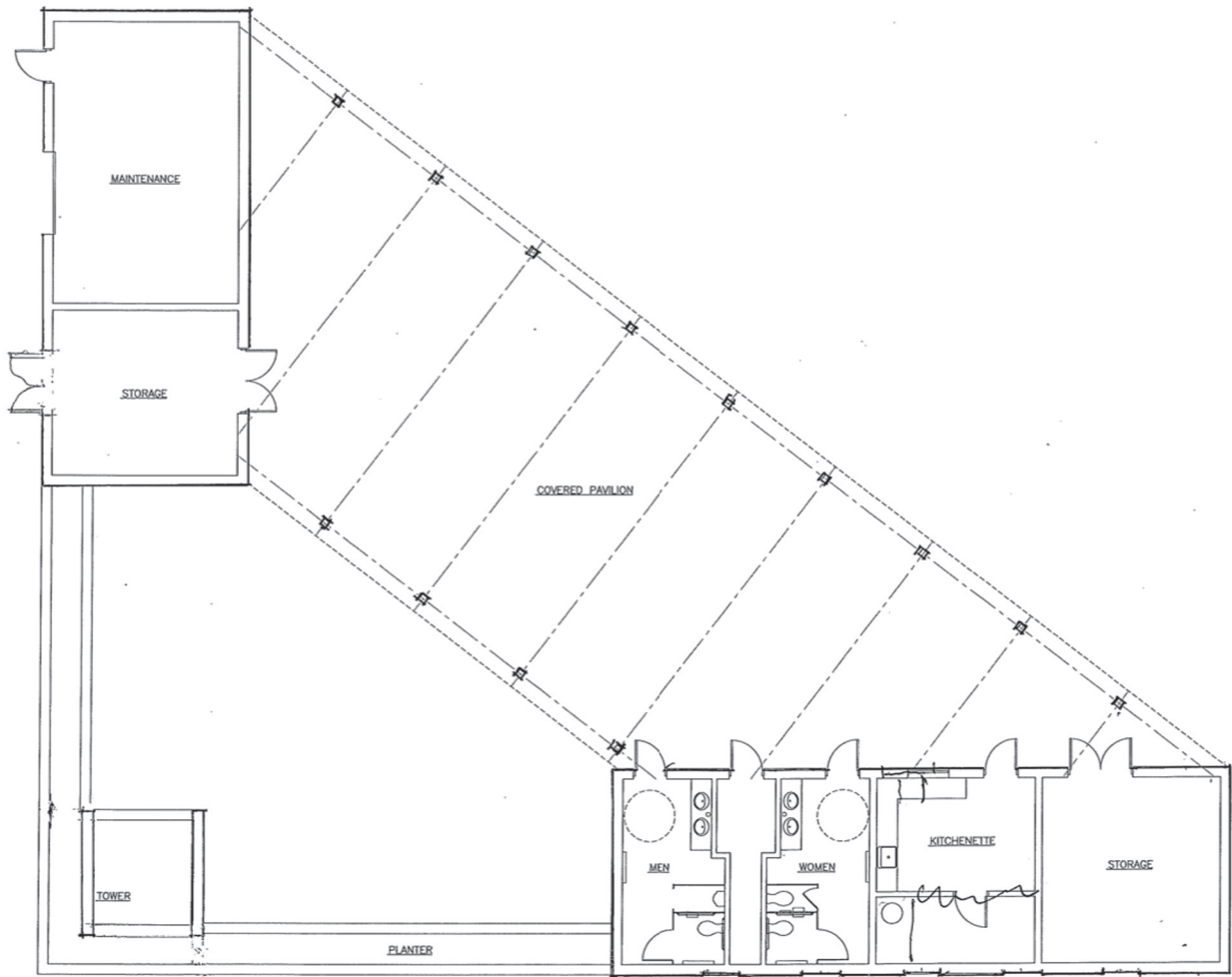
Old Rectory - Pavilion

Over the last years, we have been faced with addressing the fate of the old rectory. You may be aware that in 1964, the vision for building the old rectory was that it would serve as a place of residence for the clergy assigned to St. Patrick and John Carroll High School. This was also to house the offices of the parish on the first floor as well as the parish hall in the basement. Built over an underground spring, the building has always been susceptible to water penetration throughout the years.

In 2021, following a series of fungal and engineering inspections, the building was deemed unlivable due to mold overgrowth. In 2022 the Facilities Assessment pointed out additional deficiencies in the building, estimating a cost of immediate repairs would cost more than 2 Million dollars. Subsequent analyses and reviews by parish leadership and technical team from the Archdiocese of Baltimore determined that cost of maintaining the building, which till this day houses significant part of our parish's communications and electrical infrastructure, is a financial burden that parish should mitigate.

The parish leadership team have been working on a new vision for the building which would replace the existing structure with a new pavilion-style facility. The pavilion would be used for hospitality and storage and would incorporate garages, a kitchenette and bathrooms. This will be useful for events after Mass as well as outdoor events. The design would incorporate the old look to match the already existing structures on campus, including our church and the hall, thus keeping the campus more unified and beautiful.





FLOOR PLAN
3/16"=1'-0"



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING

Your stepping forward to be a part of our “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied” campaign signifies more than a mere sacrificial gesture. It is an affirmation of your dedication to our community of faith, your honoring of our past and celebration of our future. We are confident that with your gift, be it a pledge spread over time, a one-time donation, an employer-matched contribution, a gift of stock, or a distribution from your IRA, we will accomplish the goals of our capital campaign. You belong here – believe that what you share can make a difference and behold the fruits of your giving for generations to come.



Pledges: A Commitment to Generosity

Pledges empower you to magnify your gift, extending beyond what might be feasible in a single year. Think of them as a promise that can be fulfilled over a span of 36 months (three years). Please make your intention known by completing a pledge form. For added convenience, you can also establish your pledge online at: stpatrickhdg.com/campaign.

One-Time Gifts: A Singular Act of Generosity

One-time gifts are a direct and impactful way to express your support for our capital campaign. Whether you choose to make cash or check donation, your contribution will have an immediate and lasting effect to attaining our campaign goal. If you wish to make such a gesture, simply use the designated envelope provided or visit our parish website for further details.

Matching Gifts: Doubling the Impact

Matching gifts are a powerful way to enhance your contribution without extra out-of-pocket expense. Many employers offer programs that match charitable donations made by their employees, effectively doubling—or even tripling—the impact of your gift. If your company has such a program, simply provide them with the necessary documentation and let them multiply your donation.

Gifts of Stock: An Investment in Faith

For those considering a different avenue of contribution, gifting stocks or other marketable securities offers a unique and vital way to support St. Patrick Church. We have collaborated with the firms Alex Brown and Morgan Stanley to streamline this process for donors. Please contact the Parish Office to learn more.

Giving from Your IRA: A Wise and Generous Choice

Leveraging your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) as a source of charitable giving is both a savvy and noble way to support our capital campaign. For individuals aged 70½ and older, it is possible to make tax-free IRA distributions directly to our parish campaign. If you're considering this form of generosity, please consult with your financial advisor or IRA administrator to initiate a direct charitable transfer.

You are essential to reaching our campaign goal. There is joy in giving and sharing, and it begins with a simple step of commitment to contribute. We ask that you prayerfully consider a sacrificial pledge to the campaign to the best of your ability.

We recommend that you consult with an attorney or financial advisor when planning your commitment.

Giving

Total Gift	10% Down Payment	3 Annual Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	36 Monthly Payments	Daily Sacrifice
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$30,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$82.19
\$80,000	\$8,000	\$24,000	\$6,000	\$2,000	\$65.75
\$60,000	\$6,000	\$18,000	\$4,500	\$1,500	\$49.32
\$40,000	\$4,000	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$1,000	\$32.88
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$1,500	\$500	\$16.44
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$750	\$250	\$8.22
\$6,000	\$600	\$1,800	\$450	\$150	\$4.93

*We invite you to make an initial payment of 10% at the time of your pledge.
The Annual, Quarterly, and Monthly Payment plans assume the suggested initial payment was made.

You may make commitments to the **“Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied”** campaign in the form of cash, check, or via credit card, pledges, securities, and planned gifts. Pledges may be completed over a three-year period, in whatever increments are most appropriate for you.

Your gift matters,
it matters to you
as a giver and to
our parish as we
utilize it to fulfill
our mission.

Thank you for
your generosity!

As you make your pledge, please remember...

- Payments may be made in installments over a period of three (3) years.
- Your contribution to the **“Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied”** Campaign is in addition to your regular offering and will be used for the purposes outlined in the campaign brochure
- Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with the payment plan you choose.
- Please make checks payable to: **St. Patrick Church with “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied”** in the memo field.
- Pledge payments are fully deductible for tax purposes.

If you have any questions about the campaign or making your pledge, please contact the Parish Office at **410-939-2525**.

This is neither a legal nor binding document. The information above may be amended at any time by the donor(s).

FAQs

WHO WILL BE ASKED TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN?

The entire parish family of St. Patrick Church, including parishioners, attendees, visitors, and friends of our parish, will be asked to participate in this effort. In fact, the support of every person and every business will be critical to our success.

WILL ALL OF THE MONIES RAISED IN THIS CAMPAIGN STAY IN THE PARISH?

Yes, 100% of the funds raised through the “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied” campaign will be used exclusively for the projects at St. Patrick Church, as detailed in the campaign brochure.

HOW CAN I MAKE A GIFT?

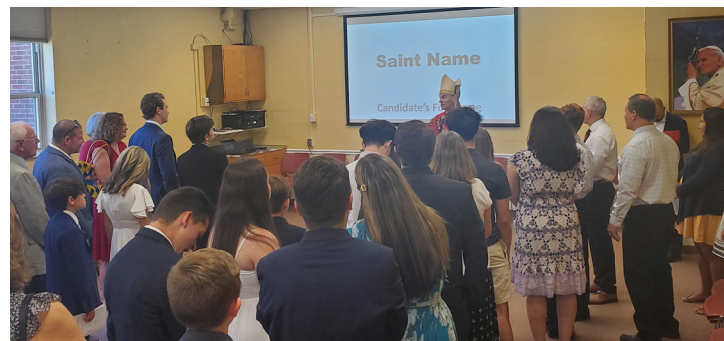
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CAN I MAKE AN ANONYMOUS GIFT?

Yes, anonymous gifts, and gifts made in memory or in honor of a loved one, are welcome. If you prefer to remain anonymous, please indicate this on your pledge form or when making your donation.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF I MAKE A PLEDGE AND I MOVE OR MY FINANCIAL SITUATION CHANGES?

If you make a pledge and your financial situation changes, please let us know and we will work with you to find the best course of action regarding your pledge.





IS MY GIFT TO THE CAMPAIGN TAX DEDUCTIBLE?

Yes, your contribution to the “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied” campaign is tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law.

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE CAMPAIGN EXCEEDS GOAL?

Great! If we are blessed to exceed our campaign goal, the additional funds will be allocated to other necessary improvements throughout our campus. However, since the cost of projects scoped in the campaign was estimated in 2022 and 2023, additional funds might be necessary at the time of project implementation for adjustment in labor and material costs.

WHO CAN I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact either our Parish Office or our Campaign Chair Vicki Semanie at 410-939-2525 or via email sphgrace@archbalt.org.



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**“A gift opens the way and
ushers the giver into the
presence of the great.”**

Proverbs 18:16



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For more information or assistance with the campaign giving, please contact:

St. Patrick Church Parish Office

615 Congress Avenue
Havre de Grace, MD 21078

Phone: 410-939-2525

Email: sphgrace@archbalt.org

We invite each member of our St. Patrick Church family to prayerfully consider supporting our “Grace Shared, Grace Multiplied” campaign. St. Patrick Church is not just a beautiful historic church in need of restoration; it is your spiritual home, a fount of grace and a place of encounter with Christ for many. Please respond with generosity for graces God bestowed upon you and complete the campaign pledge form. Remember that no gift is insignificant. Every dollar shared will go directly to the campaign needs, as directed by you or according to the project priority level. Regardless of the amount contributed, please commit to praying for our parish and for the success of our capital campaign.

May God bless you always!

