

Rooted + Growing in Christ

Capital Stewardship Campaign

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BRAD

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Luke,



Since its beginning in 2007, St. Luke University Parish has been building the people foundations of Church and working toward construction of a church building – a faith home and a base of mission – for our entire community of students, parishioners and faith seekers. With concrete, steel and wood arriving and being built into its structures, our vision of a new parish home on 42nd Avenue (just south of the GVSU campus) is emerging as a reality day by day.

With camera in hand, wearing hearty work boots and my St. Luke's hard hat, I traverse the site that will soon be our home. Each time I visit, I reflect on our journey thus far, our two ministries in one parish. I see the difficulty of distance that has held us back from that solidarity of care for each other. I envision an ever-closer bond between parishioners and students coming to celebrate the sacraments together, working on missions, retreats and other ministries along with faculty, staff and guests, and giving the Gospel voice in our 21st century world.

I ask each of you to participate in making that vision a reality.

We have begun our capital stewardship campaign, Rooted + Growing in Christ. This campaign will raise money to show our parish commitment to fund our new building and campus & parish ministries. This is an exciting time for us as parish as we make plans to benefit us both now and in the succeeding decades to come! On Sundays, June 5 & 12, after each Mass there will be a brief presentation about our Rooted + Growing in Christ campaign. Please plan to be present to learn about the plans for our new church buildings. During the presentation you will have an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

God has granted us the privilege of being part of dynamic, caring and cutting edge twenty-first century Catholic family. Let us boldly step forward at this unique time in our parish history—the founding generation—to faithfully and prayerfully reflect upon our blessings, and support St. Luke University Parish in our own extraordinary ways.

THE NUMBERS

*Please note that all numbers are approximations

Total cost of new building:	\$9,000,000
Diocesan contribution:	- \$4,500,000
Our responsibility:	\$4,500,000
Previous campaign:	- \$500,000
Land sale projected:	- \$800,000
2016 Capital Campaign/Parishioners:	- \$750,000
2016 Capital Campaign/Outside Contributions	- \$750,000

- Building size: Approximately 13,000 sq. ft
- Onsite rectory
- Regular capacity: 320, expandable to 500
- Multi-purpose rooms and social space

Parish lease payment per month \$ 5,000 to reach balance of \$1,700,000 (comparable to current rent)

CHOOSING YOUR 3-YEAR PLEDGE

The following chart illustrates three-year pledges (*over and above regular giving*) needed to reach our campaign goal. Everyone in our parish family is needed | Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice

Where on the chart is "sacrifice" for you?

Qty Gifts Needed	Total Gift	Possible Payment Options			Cumulative Total
		Monthly(36)	Quarterly (12)	Annually(3)	
1	\$75,000	\$2,083	\$6,250	\$25,000	\$75,000
2	40,000	1,111	3,333	13,333	155,000
3	20,000	556	1,667	6,667	215,000
4	15,000	417	1,250	5,000	275,000
8	\$10,000	\$278	\$833	\$3,333	\$355,000
10	8,000	222	667	2,667	435,000
15	6,000	167	500	2,000	525,000
20	4,000	111	333	1,333	605,000
25	\$3,000	\$83	\$250	\$1,000	\$680,000
25	2,000	56	167	667	730,000
15	1,000	28	83	333	745,000
remainder	\$500 or less	\$14 or less	\$42 or less	\$167 or less	\$750,000

C A M P A I G N P R A Y E R

Gracious God, we thank and praise you for the many ways you have blessed us since we began as St. Luke University Parish.

We believe we are called to invite others to a deeper relationship with you.

Bless us with generous sacrificial hearts as we face the responsibilities and challenges of growing our parish.

"We are called to faith in Christ Jesus, to be rooted in him and built up in him, growing ever stronger in faith as we were taught and overflowing with gratitude." (Colossians 2:6)

There is much to do. Please guide us, strengthen us, and inspire us with your presence.

May the intercessions of Mother Mary, and our Patron Saints, Luke and Paul, help us in our cause.

We pray this through Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen

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- ◆ **Information Meetings** | Sunday, June 5 | During mass with questions & answers following mass | Join us and become informed
| Sunday, June 12 | Following all masses | Join us and become informed
- ◆ **Advance Commitment Reception** | Monday, June 13 | Parish family to make early pledges to the campaign!
- ◆ **Commitment Sunday** | Sunday, July 10 | Parish family to begin committing their pledge to the campaign!
- ◆ **Commitment Contacts** | Beginning July 26 | Volunteers to start calling parishioners to remind them to pledge
- ◆ **Announcement Sunday** | Sunday, August 7 | Announcement of the total pledged to campaign!

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