



## ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA PARISH

A Catholic Community Animated By:  
Gratitude, Generosity, and Love

*“Grateful for our Past – Hopeful in our Future”*

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### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Why are we reconsidering our Master Site Plan needs at this time?**

Many parishioners may remember that in May 2008 parish leadership outlined our facility needs and conducted a parish-wide study to determine the likelihood of raising the funds to support these needs. At that time, the study tested the feasibility of raising \$9 million for: 1) increasing classroom space, 2) remodeling the Administrative Wing, 3) providing a “facelift” for the Church, and 4) upgrading parish and school facilities. Although the study revealed that our parish could feasibly raise – at a minimum – \$3 - \$4 million, it was determined to not move forward with a major gift effort as a result of the economic downturn.

Today, however, St. Ignatius Loyola Parish (SI) is debt free and is once again considering the needs of our Master Site Plan in conjunction with a recent diocesan-wide campaign effort. Earlier this year Bishop Soto launched the ONE Campaign, a diocesan-wide appeal that obligates the involvement of all parishes. Similar to the 2001 diocesan-wide effort, Building Our Past and Building Our Future Campaign, the ONE Campaign is focused on our greater Church community.

Fortunately, the ONE Campaign has provided SI the opportunity to once again address our parish needs through a combined effort. As a result, we are enthusiastically conducting research and seeking EVERY parishioner’s input regarding the revised Master Site Plan.

#### **Is the ONE Campaign the same as the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)?**

Although both have similar needs, they are in fact two separate efforts. The ONE Campaign is a one-time, four-year effort. While the Annual Catholic Appeal will continue to be presented as an annual option to support our ongoing diocesan operating needs. Please visit <http://www.onerevival.org/> if you would like additional information about the ONE Campaign.

#### **When did plans begin on the revised Master Site Plan and who was on the planning committee?**

Nearly 15 months ago – using the 2008 feasibility study report findings as a benchmark – Fr. Mike formed an Advisory Committee to address the parish needs identified at that time. During an exhaustive process, the following individuals were instrumental in creating the current proposed plans:

- **Fr. Michael E. Moynahan, S.J.** – Pastor.
- **John Banchemo** - parishioner, alumnus, former school parent, and professional property developer.
- **Kipp Blewett** - parishioner, current school parent, and professional property developer.
- **Patty Lane** - parishioner and school Principal.
- **Diane Merchant** – parishioner, former school parent, Director of Operations, St. Ignatius Parish.
- **Tim Schaedler** - parishioner, alumnus, current school parent, professional builder and property developer.
- **Terry Street** – professional commercial builder and former President of Roebbelen Construction.
- **Mark Warren** – parishioner, former school parent, Director of Advancement, St. Ignatius Parish and School
- **Craig Zarro** – parishioner, current school parent, professional commercial financing expert.

### **Why does it appear that the majority of the needs are focused on the school?**

Sixty years ago our founding parishioners, better known as the “Barn Families,” began by building the school we use today. These founding families took great pride in believing the parish school would continue to provide the parishioners of the future. Their sacrifice has provided a Catholic education, rooted in Ignatian spirituality, to more than 2,700 young men and women. As the only Jesuit parish and elementary school in the Sacramento Diocese, our gratitude to the past generates hopefulness for the future.

This hopefulness is reflected weekly as the students of SI Parish School attend Mass with their classmates and as an entire school community monthly. Many parents attend these Masses as well, planting the seeds and reinforcing the teachings of our Catholic faith.

Recently, we have made significant improvements to the Church that include fresh paint, a new altar and ambo, refurbished kneelers, and the introduction of additional pew cushions. Over the past five years we have significantly improved both our small chapel and main Church through the generosity of our committed parishioners.

In addition to the school facility needs proposed in the revised Master Site Plan, our parish community will also benefit from:

- More meeting space,
- An outdoor gathering space in closer proximity to the church, and
- More convenient, accessible, and technologically modern parish offices.

### **Why don't we simply remodel the school we have?**

Our experts have clearly demonstrated that remodeling existing classrooms would, in the end, cost nearly as much as rebuilding a modest yet modern school, equipped with the infrastructure to prepare our students for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Additionally, rebuilding the school will allow the relocation of the school entrance, to the back of the campus, satisfying the concern of a non-secure main entrance.

### **Couldn't we simply convert the current parish offices (the old rectory) into the school administrative offices and save money?**

The presence of children creates additional educational and building code requirements. Our experts have also demonstrated that remodeling the existing parish offices (the old rectory) would be far more expensive than rebuilding.

### **Why aren't we currently using or considering remodeling Campion Hall?**

Many experts, including Jackson Construction, Panattoni Construction, Rod Read and Sons, and our architect, have evaluated the functionality of Campion Hall and have questioned the decision of the County to formally have it condemned. Unfortunately, asbestos, on-going water damage, mold, and a roof on the verge of collapsing have resulted in a building that is unsafe and sadly must be removed. The additional space created by removing Campion Hall allows the design team to reconfigure the front parking lot in order to adhere to County compliance codes.

### **Will Father Mike continue to be our Pastor and see this project through?**

In short YES! The normal, contracted timeframe for a pastor in our Diocese is a six-year renewable term. The anniversary of Fr. Mike's, first, six-year tenure occurs in January of 2016. Although Fr. Mike has been identified as the ideal fit for other northwest parishes he has requested to remain at SI, and the Provincial of the Society of Jesus has agreed to confirm his second term. In fact, the Province leadership has described our parish as the Flagship Parish in the Province and the perfect environment for training future Jesuit pastors.

*We are blessed to have a Pastor committed to finding a balance for meeting the needs of ALL parishioners (clearly not an easy task)!*

**If plans move forward with rebuilding and upgrades will multiple quotes be considered?**

Fr. Mike and the Advisory Committee are committed to stewarding the gifts of all parishioners and will adhere to best business practices. If it is determined that our parish community can successfully move forward with the proposed Master Site Plan improvements, a public Request for Proposal will be released.

**Why should I complete the survey?**

Fr. Mike is seeking feedback from the entire SI community on the proposed plans for our next 60 years. Just as the “Barn Families” came together 60 years ago, it is our time to come together to ensure the sustainability of our parish community. This begins with your participation in completing the survey and providing your early input and feedback.

An Internet link to the case statement – the document that outlines our history, challenges and proposed plans for the future – will be provided through the weekly bulletin and available on the parish and school website. In addition to the case statement, the secured site where you can confidentially provide your input through the online survey will be provided. Please take the time to read the case statement before you provide your feedback.

**If I have further questions, whom do I contact?**

Contact Mark Warren, Director of Advancement at 916-482-9666 ext. 213 or at mwarren@stignatiussac.org. His contact information is also available in the parish bulletin, on the materials in the vestibule, and on the parish website.

*Whether an issue of faith, a love of family, an appreciation for tradition,  
a desire to leave a legacy for future generations, or a combination of these factors,  
your input is vital as we continue to assess our plans for the future.*