



Campaign Update #14: Watch the campaign video & read about what's next!

During the weekend of September 17-18, Bishop David D. Kagan asked all five of the Bismarck parishes to play our Keep the Promise video with his introduction about the capital campaign. In case you missed it, you can watch it on our campaign website now.

[Watch the bishop's message
and our campaign video here!](#)

Thanks to Jim Small and MMI Excavation for the generous in-kind donation of land development for the new SMCHS! Check out the earth-movers making their way onto the SMCHS building site. Stay tuned for more drone updates as the project continues!



The five Bismarck pastors asked us to provide a bulletin insert for the parishes that explained the current campaign status and offered details of what's ahead.

Here's another look at the bulletin insert:
(Click on the image for a PDF version)

It has been about 65 years... since the last major capital investment in Catholic education in Bismarck - the building of the current SMCHS in 1951.

WHAT'S NEXT:

October 15, 2016

Each Catholic church in Bismarck will have an appointed parish ambassador for the campaign. They will be an important resource person for you - ask them questions and they will help find answers.

November 1, 2016
(All Saints Day)

All parish families, enrolled school families, alumni, donors and friends will be mailed information about how to donate to the campaign. You can reach out to one of the campaign volunteers to ask any questions you might have or get more information on how to donate. And please, give as generously as you can. This is a once-in-a-lifetime project for our Catholic faith and Catholic schools.

July 2017
Goal: 80% pledged

Fall 2017
New SMCHS
Groundbreaking

December 2017
Goal: 100% pledged

Fall 2019
New SMCHS Opens



KEEP THE PROMISE.net
Light of Christ Catholic Schools Capital Campaign



Last weekend, we kicked off the My Promise Phase of the Keep the Promise campaign. This is a comprehensive campaign for the Light of Christ Catholic Schools system.

Our Catholic schools have grown by over 25% in the last 5 years. This year alone, we have seen a 7% increase over the previous year.

Light of Christ Catholic Schools is operating at 107% of capacity this year. We added six modular classrooms to accommodate our growing enrollment. If we continue with even 4% growth per year, within three years our schools will be over 115% of capacity.

This campaign is fundamentally based on a need for more room for our students. To accommodate for this, we will sustain and invest in our existing elementary schools, renovate and repurpose the current high school into a middle school academy and build a new high school.

Pray about how you can be involved. We want each individual to be able to put their fingerprint on this project in the way that is most special to them.

\$46.5 Million Comprehensive Capital Campaign

\$36 Million	New SMCHS Campus
\$1.5 Million	Contingency expense and final phase expenses
\$5 Million	Upgrades to current school facilities
\$4 Million	Donor-advised fund for sustainability maintenance of new facilities

- Campaign began in November 2015 with the donation of 48 acres of land
- Foundation Phase (pace-setter gifts) began in January of 2015.
- **Amount raised to date: MORE THAN \$15 MILLION**
- My Promise Phase kickoff Celebration was held on Sept. 10, 2016.



The Plan for
ST. MARY'S CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
Light of Christ Catholic Schools

Register to receive email campaign updates at keepthepromise.net.

Please continue to pray for our campaign and discern how you can be involved. You can expect to learn who your parish ambassadors are by October 15th and receive more information in the mail around November 1st - All Saints Day!

Have a question? Want to volunteer to help with the campaign?
Just use this simple form.

[CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A QUESTION](#)

[OR VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH THE CAMPAIGN.](#)

We invite you to share these updates with your friends and family and submit the names of friends/family that would like to receive these updates directly.
