

Meet the Match

A Turning Point to Secure the Future of St. Mary's School!

St. Mary's School Family and Friends,

We are excited to announce that generous benefactors have offered a \$300,000 Matching Challenge to eliminate 13.4% of our total remaining building debt by December 31, 2026. This exciting opportunity will allow you to **DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Every dollar given or new pledge to reduce our building debt will be matched 1-for-1 up to \$300,000. **Your \$100 becomes \$200. Your \$5,000 becomes \$10,000.**

What will reaching this goal do for St. Mary's School?

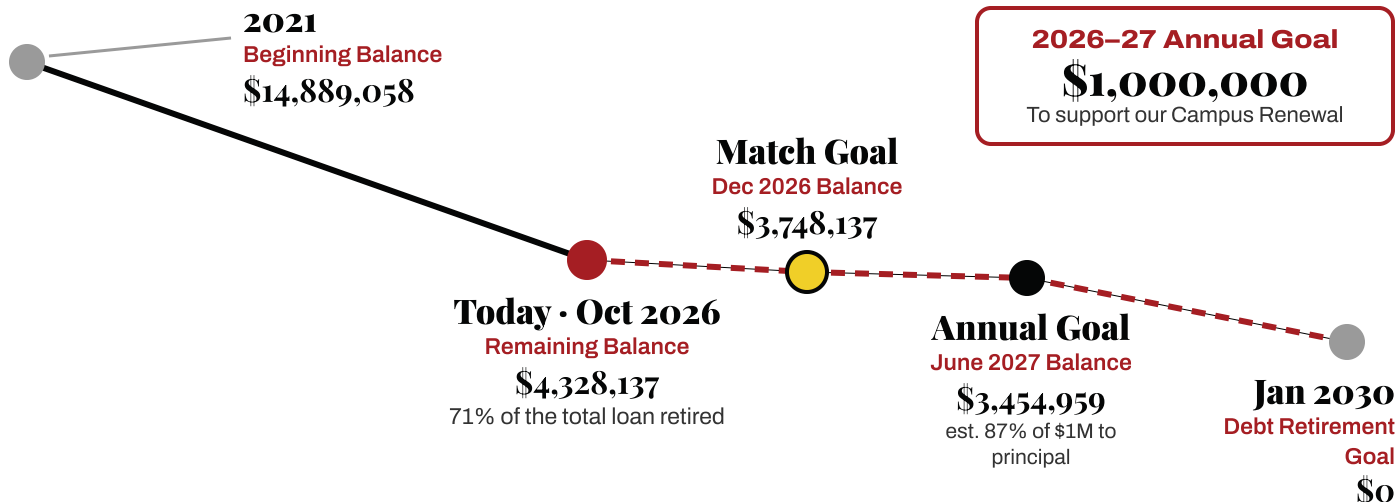
When we built our new school building, we created a state-of-the-art environment for our students to learn, grow, and deepen their Catholic faith. Today, we have an unprecedented opportunity to secure that investment.

Meeting this goal isn't just about paying down a loan—it's about freeing up essential operating capital.

Eliminating this 13.4% immediately reduces our annual interest payments and shortens the length of the loan.

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Loan payoff progress, 2021 to January 2030



Reaching our Matching Gift Goal will allow us to retire 75% of the overall debt and permanently eliminate over \$180,000 in interest costs over the potential life of the loan.

Instant Interest Relief

Wiping out 13.4% of the principal directly lowers our mandatory monthly debt service.

100% Return on Investment

Generous donors pay 50% of the cost for us to achieve this milestone.

Sustaining Mission & Ministry

Less money paid to bank interest means more resources dedicated to Catholic education and student programs.

Your Gift With 1:1 Challenge Match

A Real Impact on School Debt

- ✓ Eliminates significant long-term interest burden
- ✓ Accelerates the speed of our principal reduction
- ✓ Direct impact on lowering our monthly payment
- ✓ Every dollar counts toward reaching our \$300k match

Your Gift	Donor Match	Total Impact
\$25,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
\$10,000	\$10,000	\$20,000
\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000
\$250	\$250	\$500

Smart Ways to Double Your Gift

1

Cash/Pledges

One-time gifts or pledges fulfilled through December 2026.

2

IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)

Donors 70½ or older can give tax-free directly from an IRA before year-end.

3

Corporate Matching

Check if your employer matches charitable contributions to triple your gift impact.

Ways to Give

† Prayer

Whether you are able to donate \$50,000 or \$5, we are asking all community members to pray for the success of these efforts, pray for our students and staff, and pray for God's will to be done through it all.

🖥️ Automated Giving

Giving Online is easy through the Queen of Peace E-giving Platform. Make sure to indicate the intent is a school donation. queenofpeacesd.org/giving

🏧 Cash or Check

Please attach any initial payment to the **Donor Pledge Form** and return it to the pastorate or school office. Checks should be made payable to **St. Mary's Campus Renewal**.

💳 Credit Card

Donors wishing to make a donation via credit are advised to use the Queen of Peace E-giving Platform listed above.

🌾 Farm Commodities

Gifting agricultural commodities may be an excellent opportunity for you to maximize your campaign contribution, and can also provide favorable tax benefits.

🏢 Corporate Matching

Your company's matching gift will be recognized as part of your total pledge, unless otherwise specified. To ensure matching gifts are received and accurately recorded, please notify the pastorate office that you are submitting a matching gift form.

📈 Stock Exchange

Donors who wish to transfer stock or mutual fund shares should contact Jeff Trumbauer, Chief Operating Officer for the Queen of Peace Pastorate, for broker and account information.

📄 IRA Distribution

If you are 70½ or older, you may transfer up to \$111,000 annually from your IRA account directly to the campaign without first having to recognize the distribution as income.