

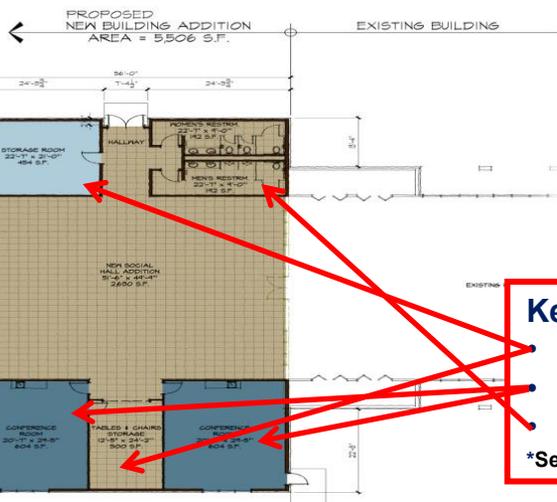
# Our Parish...Our Future

St Joseph Parish

**“As we continue to grow and develop new ministries it is vital that we have more meeting space available.” Fr Mike, Aug 2013**

**We have a problem, a really good problem -- we are growing!**

- Since 2008 we have added over 100 new families to our parish register bringing our census to 758 families.
- More people means more ministries, more need for meeting space.
- Meetings are currently limited to the parish hall, cry room and foyer.
- Use of the conference room can be disruptive to pastoral counseling sessions in Fr. Mike's office right next door.



**The Optimum, Best Value Solution** to our space issue is to build two new conference rooms, plus vital storage and restrooms, all within an expanded parish hall. Classrooms for the Religious Education program will continue to be provided by Otis Orchards Elementary -- an extremely valuable arrangement.

## Key, Critical Additions:

• Two Storage Rooms

• Two Conference Rooms

• New Restrooms - Women's & Men's

\*See Reverse of Brochure for Full Scale Floor Plan

## The Goal of the “Our Parish...Our Future Campaign”

**Raise \$1,250,000**, to start and complete the required construction.

## The Good News

**We now have \$636,000 in-the-bank**; strictly dedicated to this project; all from generous donations made during the first, three-year pledge cycle. (As of 27 July 2016)

## What You Can Do

**To reach our goal**, each family is asked to consider a \$3,000 pledge... spread over a period of three years. With 10% down, this would entail payments of only \$75 a month, or \$900 a year. If you can make a more substantial pledge, your extra generosity will be most appreciated. Alternatively, if your situation warrants a lesser amount, then simply respond with a pledge or one-time gift to the best of your ability. **In every case, your prayers are essential.** (Donations are tax deductible.)

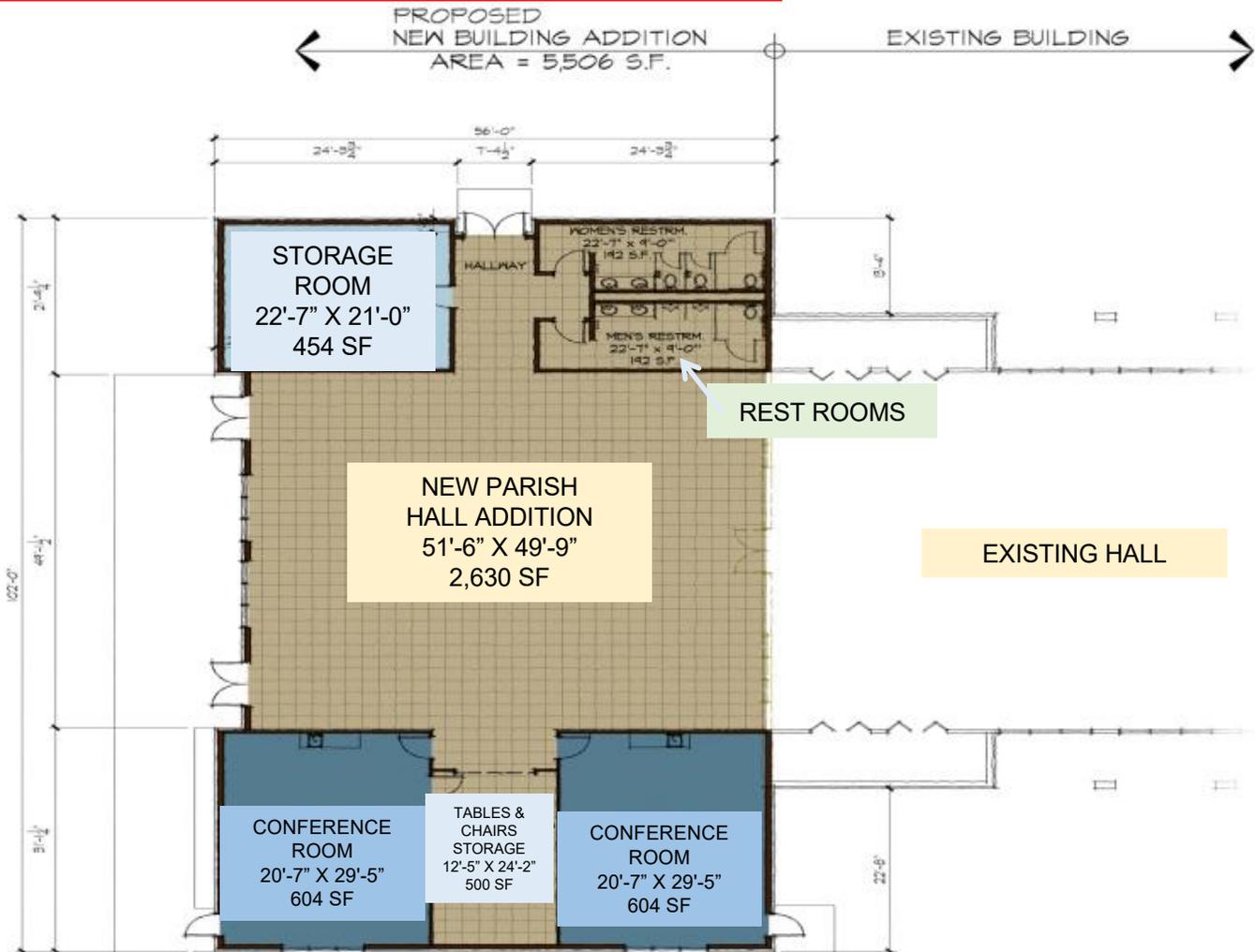
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## Key, Critical Additions:

- Two Conference Rooms
- Two Supply Rooms
- New Restrooms -- Women's and Men's

**All within an expanded Parish Hall**



**Besides parish family business (758 families), 71 ministries and other special committees/groups compete for limited small-group meeting space.**

- **Can host no more than 3 meetings at a time, using foyer and children's room, with associated heating/cooling, seating, noise, and privacy distractions.**
- **The best value for our money is to add two small-group meeting rooms and two storage spaces, within the framework of an expanded parish hall -- which we need also. In the hall itself, we are under increasing pressure to meet fire code restrictions -- challenged by the size of many funerals and other special events -- e.g. Trunk-or-Treat, Turkey Bingo, Vacation Bible School Pot Lucks, and wedding receptions.**

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## ***Questions and Answers***

Q1: Who is the Architect/Builder?

A1: The architect is Kevin Jester from Architects West. Kevin was the architect who designed the current church building. A builder, Leone & Keeble, has been working for us at no cost, to make the preliminary plans. Leone & Keeble is not guaranteed the job for the actual construction. The project will go out to bid once we get closer to that point.

Q2: Will St Joseph take on a loan for the project?

A2: We hope not; nevertheless a small amount may be a possibility. It is Diocesan policy that we must have 75% of the cost of the project in-hand, before we can begin the construction process. We had originally hoped to start building in 2017, in conjunction with the 125th anniversary of St Joseph but this will obviously be dependent upon having adequate cash already on hand.

Q3: Will there be an increase in maintenance costs for the new and improved church facility?

A3: Yes, there will be an increase in maintenance, utility and insurance costs. Barbara Haney, our Maintenance Supervisor, will most likely see her position become full-time.

Q4: Will our heating/cooling system be zonal?

A4: Yes. The current heating/cooling system requires us to heat the entire church and foyer when there is a meeting in just the foyer area. The new conference rooms and hall will have separate thermostats, saving the cost of heating unused spaces.

Q5: Why are we not building classrooms for Religious Education?

A5: The Facilities Committee assessed all of St Joseph's needs. To build the required ten classrooms would be more than \$1.5 Million. Currently, we are renting the ten classrooms from Otis Elementary for only \$240 a week. Plus, if we were to build the classrooms there would still be a lack of space in the hall and most of the classrooms would be used only once a week (Sunday mornings) for one hour.

Q6: Where are donated funds invested? Can the Diocese of Spokane touch any of the funds?

A6: Of the \$636,000 currently on hand, approximately 83% is invested with Edward Jones, Stocks and Bonds; 9.4% is in a CD with Numerica CU and the remaining 7.5% is in a savings account with Washington Trust Bank. Interest rates and low risk are primary considerations in our investment decisions. Second: No, the Diocese cannot touch any of the funds.

Q7: Is there an opportunity for Corporate Matching Gifts for the Campaign?

A7: Some corporations may offer a match; check with your Human Resources Department.

Additionally, St Joseph is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization -- donations qualify for charitable gift tax deductions. Also, donating stock is a great way to pay your pledge. Stock that has been held for 12 months or more can be transferred to St Joseph. Remember to **transfer**, **NOT sell** the securities to avoid any Capital Gains Tax if they have appreciated in value.

(See your tax advisor or call Becky at the parish office (509)926-7133 for info.)