Frequently Asked Questions

Q. When will the work begin?
A. The work will begin as the funds become available from the Capital Campaign. The diocese requires that we have 50% of the funds in hand and the other 50% pledged.

Q. What will happen if we go over our goal?
A. All gifts collected after we exceed our goal will be put towards the maintenance and upkeep of our facilities.

Q. Can I make my pledge online?
A. Yes. We have set up a page on our website where you may make your pledge online.

Q. Why should I make a pledge?
A. Most people take advantage of time-payments for major purchases. A pledge to the parish Capital Campaign is a "time-payment plan" that makes it possible for you to meet your parish obligations without undue hardship. Pledges enable you to consider a more significant contribution to the campaign rather than a one-time gift.

Q. Is my pledge over and above my Sunday Offering?
A. Yes. We can only reach our goal with a little extra sacrifice. We cannot reach our goal if we reduce our weekly offerings in order to make a pledge to the Capital Campaign. The parish will continue to have normal operating expenses during the pledge period.

Q. Who will be asked to support the Campaign?
A. Every parish family will be invited to be a part of this effort. It is our hope that every parish family will make a sacrificial gift for this major effort according to his or her financial ability. We will also be inviting our school families and friends of St. Bernard in the Wabash and surrounding area to contribute. We hope everyone will play a conscientious role in renewing the future of the parish.

Q. What happens if I cannot fulfill my pledge?
A. Pledges are made in good faith and accepted as such. If hardship or illness prevents you from fulfilling your pledge, let the parish know, and other arrangements will be made.

Q. What if I would like to give stocks, real estate or some other kind of gift?
A. There are several ways to support our campaign, please see the ways to give section on the next pages of this brochure or call the parish office.