

Stillwater Catholic Community Long-Range Planning Survey

Last spring, a gift of \$6-7 million was offered toward the building of a new parish church and facilities that would better provide ministries to the Catholic community while unifying the great majority of Stillwater Catholics at the new location. The joint long-range planning committee of St. Francis and St. John parishes seeks the opinion of the members of our community concerning the following vision for the future of Stillwater Catholics:

• A new parish church and facilities would be built encompassing all traditional parish ministries and organizations. The new location would include a larger church, greatly improved facilities for youth and family ministry, as well as a parish hall, meeting rooms, and offices. The site to be selected will also provide sufficient land to accommodate the long-term growth of the Catholic community. The church building at St. Francis will not be sold, but will continue to be owned by the new parish and used for purposes related to the ministry of the Catholic community.

• St. John would focus its mission exclusively on campus ministry. As such, it would no longer provide ministries such as children's RE, CYO, or organizations and functions not directly related to university students' pastoral needs. The primary financial support for St. John would come through its development program and fundraising, which shows great promise at developing revenue sources among alumni and parents of students.

We would also like to note that no new site has been selected yet as a possible new parish location, and issues of economic feasibility are being carefully considered. We obviously want to avoid indebtedness both in the construction and maintenance of any future facilities. Our goal is to retain what is best about our diverse Catholic community while opening possibilities for present and future growth. There are many questions yet to be answered that will arise in the process; this survey is likely the first of several. At this point we wish to test the level of support for this particular vision so that the long-range planning committee can make a decision as to how we should proceed.

1. I am currently registered at: St. Francis St. John Not registered

2. I am a full-time student at OSU: Yes No

3. I support the vision as outlined in the summary information presented above.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Comments:

If you are not registered at either parish, you may answer questions for the parish you most often attend.

St. John Parishioners: Please respond to both questions 4 and 5 (and 6, if applicable to you).

4. I would financially support the construction, maintenance, operations, and programs for the new parish church and facilities.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Comments:

5. If a new parish church and facilities were built, and with the understanding that St. John would be solely focused on campus ministry, I would continue to attend St. John rather than move to the new parish.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Comments:

St. Francis Parishioners: Please respond to either question 6 or 7.

6. I *have pledged* to the Parish Center campaign, and would be willing to transfer my pledge to the new church and facilities.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Comments:

7. I *have not pledged* to the Parish Center campaign but would be willing to financially support the new church and facilities.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

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