



# ST. PAUL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future

Technology



We will further integrate technology into everyday classroom instruction.

Gymnasium



Renovation to the gymnasium will include installation of a new floating hardwood floor, bleachers, and scoreboards.

Athletic Fields



Metal bleachers that seat 1,000+ spectators, a concession stand, and six light towers which allow for night games.

Auditorium



Our 700+ seat auditorium will be renovated with air-conditioning.

### ST. PAUL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL LAUNCHES 50TH ANNIVERSARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

St. Paul Catholic High School recently launched the “quiet phase” of the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign. This major fundraising effort is the result of a two year visioning process undertaken by school leadership to identify and address critical needs.

As we celebrate our 50th Anniversary of providing quality Catholic secondary education to thousands of young men and women, it is a very appropriate and exciting time to embark on a campaign of significant scope and magnitude. It is a time to not only “honor our past,” but to **build on recent growth and transformation as we focus on our pursuit of greatness.**

St. Paul is currently flourishing. Enrollment is at its highest level in twenty-five years and although academic curriculum, athletic, and fine arts programs have been expanded and facilities significantly enhanced during the past few years, there is still much **more to be done. It’s a perfect time to build on a special tradition created five decades ago and a mission that challenges young men and women of diverse backgrounds “to be their personal best in academics, athletics, fine arts, and service to others, as they prepare for the rigors of college and lifelong learning.” We are hopeful that the campaign will be embraced by all our constituents and that there will be an outpouring of generosity as phases are implemented during the next sixteen months.**

The St. Paul administration and School Board conducted a comprehensive process to initiate this capital campaign, which will allocate funds raised according to the framework below.

#### THE CAMPAIGN GOAL IS \$2 MILLION WHICH WILL BE USED TO:

- ➔ ESTABLISH A SUSTAINABLE ENDOWMENT—\$500,000
- ➔ ENHANCE CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY—\$175,000
- ➔ IMPROVE BUILDING SECURITY—\$175,000
- ➔ UPDATE GYMNASIUM FLOOR, BLEACHERS AND SCOREBOARDS—\$475,000
- ➔ INSTALL METAL BLEACHERS AND LIGHT TOWERS TO ATHLETIC FIELD—\$425,000
- ➔ RENOVATE THE AUDITORIUM PERFORMING ARTS FACILITIES—\$250,000

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
1966-2016

St. Paul Catholic High School

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

### CO-CHAIRS

NANCY McLAUGHLIN PALMISANO '71  
THOMAS PELOQUIN '78

DAVID ALDIERI '85  
JEFF BADAL '86  
ROBERT BENZINGER  
MARK BLUM '71  
DONALD & ELLEN CIAMPI  
JAMES COOPER  
MATTHEW CROWLEY '82  
DAVID DENNEHY  
ANTHONY DOLCE  
CARY DUPONT '72  
MARK FERRARO '78  
JONATHAN GNOZA  
PIERRE GUERTIN  
DEAN KILBOURNE '80  
THOMAS KULIG '85  
SUSAN LABERGE  
MICHAEL LANG '71  
KAREN MATTHEWS LEARY '82  
LISA LEMIEUX '83 LOBO  
BARBARA MCPHEE  
MARCUS MCPHEE '86  
MICHAEL & CONNIE MISITI  
TIMI CHRISTOPHERO '84 PACCIORETTI  
BRYAN RICCI '75  
REV. GARY SIMEONE  
JIM SKLENKA '85  
AL WALLACE

Additional volunteers are welcome!  
Please contact Melissa Lindquist  
for more information.  
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## SAVE THE DATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

OPENING MASS ~ SEPTEMBER 2016

50TH ANNIVERSARY GALA  
THE AQUA TURF CLUB  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 @ 6PM

FAMILY PICNIC ~ JUNE 2017

## ST. PAUL GRADUATES CHAIR CAMPAIGN EFFORTS

St. Paul alumni **Nancy McLaughlin Palmisano '71** and **Thomas Pelouquin '78** have graciously agreed to serve as Co-Chairs of the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign. They are playing an integral role in assisting President, **Cary M. Dupont '72** with the overall leadership of the campaign as well as working closely with members of the Campaign Steering Committee to implement **campaign strategies and timelines**. "I am thrilled to have Nancy and Tom in key leadership positions", says Mr. Dupont. "They have been involved in the life of the school for many years and know this community well. They bring wisdom, experience and enthusiasm to the campaign effort. I look forward to working closely with them over the next sixteen months as we strive to exceed our campaign goal of \$2 million."



**Nancy McLaughlin Palmisano '71** attended CCSU and received a BS degree and then an MBA from the University of Hartford. Nancy retired from Hartford Financial Services as VP of Specialty Product Development and Marketing. She is currently serving as a trustee for the Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools and a member of the St. Paul school board. In addition to professional leadership positions, she has served as St. Paul school board chair (2011-2012), co-chaired the St. Paul strategic planning committee, participated on the NEASC reaccreditation committee, served as secretary for FACS and member of governance, distribution and development committees. She and her husband Paul reside in Farmington, CT.

*"It is an honor to serve as co-chair of the capital campaign committee. As St. Paul approaches its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the school is in an excellent place in terms of enrollment, academics, sports programs, the arts and the spiritual development of its students. The capital campaign is important because it will make it possible to enhance school facilities and grow the endowment fund, enabling St. Paul to pursue its goal of being a "truly great Catholic high school" and positioning it for continued success over the next 50 years."*

**Thomas Pelouquin '78** attended UCONN and received a BS degree. After a 30-year career with the Hartford Insurance Group as a V.P. in Finance he retired at the end of 2013. He and his wife Diane reside in Southington and have two sons who both graduated from St. Paul. T.J. received an accounting degree from Merrimack College in 2012 and now works as a commercial loan underwriter at Thomaston Savings Bank. Ryan received an economics degree from Princeton University in 2015 and is now working in Dallas, Texas as a consultant with Mercer CPSG Partners. Tom currently serves on the Finance Committee at St. Paul and has held various leadership positions at multiple local non-profits.

*"I'm very honored to serve as co-chair of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign for St. Paul Catholic High School. The experiences my sons and I had at St. Paul have been highly influential in our educational, social, spiritual and professional development. This was made possible through the vision, leadership and generosity of the founding administrators and benefactors over 50 years ago. I'm excited to help lead this campaign providing the opportunity for a new generation of donors to "pay it forward" by refreshing some of our physical assets and building a strong endowment to assure St. Paul continues to positively influence students for the next 50 years."*

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## FACULTY/STAFF & BOARD ACHIEVE 100% PARTICIPATION!

Development professionals always recommend that a school approach its internal constituents before taking a capital campaign public. We are very proud and pleased to announce that we have completed these phases and every member of our faculty, staff and School Board have made a contribution to the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign.

All 50 of our devoted teachers and school staff and 13 members of the School Board have made a campaign gift and/or pledge. **We are hopeful their 100% participation rate and generosity "sets the bar" for other constituencies that will be asked to support the campaign in the months ahead.**



Congratulations and special thanks to David Dennehy, Jonathan Gnoza and Connie Misiti who chaired the Faculty/Staff Phase; Mrs. Barbara McPhee who chaired the School Board Phase; and to all of our faculty, staff and Board members who supported this major fundraising effort.



## CAMPAIGN TO BE CONDUCTED IN PHASES

Our *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign will be conducted in multiple phases. As mentioned in this newsletter, the Faculty/Staff Phase and the Board Phase have been successfully completed while the Strategic Gift Phase (seeking gifts of \$25,000 or more) is well underway.

The next two phases to be initiated will be the Leadership Gift Phase and the Major Gift Phase. They will be in full swing from January through June of 2016. Recognition of the chairs and committee members for these two phases will be featured in the next campaign newsletter. Those phases will be followed by the General Gift Phase to be launched in the summer of 2016 and run through June of 2017. All parents, alumni, parents of alumni and friends of St. Paul High School that have not supported the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign during one of the “quiet phases” listed above will be asked to support the campaign to the best of their ability at that time.

### STRATEGIC GIFT PHASE PROGRESSING

The Strategic Gift Phase of the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign was launched at the home of Pierre and Mary Ellen Guertin, parents of Nicholas, in November 2015.

Pierre has graciously volunteered to chair this extremely important phase of the campaign. Both **Pierre and President, Cary M. Dupont '72** have recruited others from the St. Paul community to serve as committee members. The responsibility of these committee members is to contact members of the St. Paul community to explore their interest in supporting the campaign at a gift level which are tax deductible contributions of \$25,000 or more. There are numerous commemorative naming opportunities associated with gifts of this magnitude. This phase has the potential to go over the \$1 million mark as they are in the process of meeting with many fellow alumni, parents and parents of alumni in an effort to secure additional campaign gifts and pledges.

Pierre reports many family members that have a relationship with St. Paul Catholic High School are pooling their contributions in order to secure a naming opportunity. If interested, please refer to the “Commemorative Giving” section for available naming opportunities ranging from \$25,000 to \$200,000 that may be secured by individuals, couples or families wishing to leave a memorable legacy on the St. Paul Community.

### NAMING OPPORTUNITIES AND COMMEMORATIVE GIVING

Your gift reflects a commitment to Catholic education at St. Paul. It provides an opportunity to acknowledge benefactors and to remember and honor loved ones, living or deceased. Please **contact Cary M. Dupont '72**, President at 860.584.0911 Ext.11 should you wish to explore the following commemorative gift opportunities. All requests will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Naming Opportunities	Gift Amount
Main Athletic Field	TAKEN
Auditorium	\$200,000
Gymnasium	\$200,000
Computer Lab (2)	\$50,000
Each corner of Gymnasium Floor (4)	\$50,000
Gymnasium Bleacher Sections (8)	\$25,000
Gymnasium Scoreboard (2)	\$25,000
Name Endowed Scholarship	\$25,000

### GIVING SOCIETIES

Permanent recognition is available for donors of the *Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign for St. Paul Catholic High School. Gifts of \$5,000 or more will be commemorated on a special donor plaque in the main lobby unless anonymity is requested. You may elect to honor your family, loved ones or others by specifying your particular request.

Romans Society—*Giving \$50,000+*  
Eternal life to those who seek glory, honor and immortality through perseverance in good works. *Romans 2:7*

Corinthians Circle—*Giving \$25,000-\$49,999*  
Whoever sows generously will also reap generously. *1 Corinthians 9:6*

Galatians Guild—*Giving \$10,000-\$24,999*

**For you have been called to live in freedom...use your freedom to serve one another in love. *Galatians 5:13***

Ephesians Council—*Giving \$5,000-\$9,000*  
We are members one of another. *Ephesians 4:25*

Philippians Alliance—*Giving \$1,000-\$4,999*  
I hold you in my heart, you who are all partners with me in grace. *Philippians 1:7*

Thessalonians Club—*Giving up to \$999*

**Thank God always for you...your love of every one of you for one another grows ever greater. *11 Thessalonians 1:3***

2016 Giving

*In addition to the above and in honor of our Golden Anniversary, gifts of \$2,016 or more received before December 31, 2016 will be honored with an engraved plate on an auditorium chair arm.*

### Capital Campaign Progress



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## Honoring Our Past, Shaping Our Future

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(From the first graduating class yearbook - Kaleidoscope 1970)

*"They conceived a school... in a breakthrough of thought...  
minds opened as the ground broke... and spirit grew."*

St. Paul Catholic High School's 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign!

# Shaping Our Future

# Honoring Our Past,

*Faith. Character. Community. Excellence. Service.*