

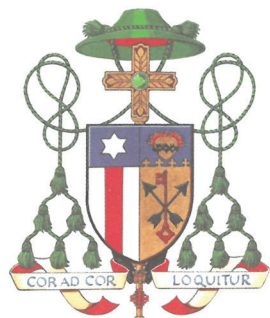


FORWARD IN
Faith and Excellence

A CAMPAIGN FOR
PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL

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North American
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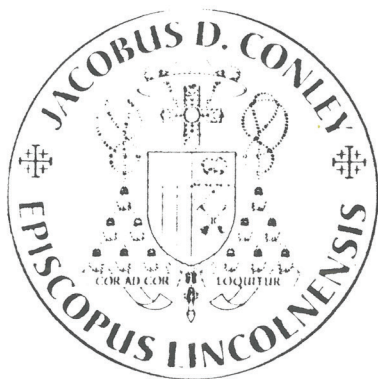
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. John Henry Newman once stated, “to live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often.” I think of this line often when I consider the new and exciting changes occurring at Pius X High School. There is a beautiful vitality and growth happening at our school. Pius is changing for the future, and is growing towards a level of perfection to be able to adequately provide for the new needs of its growing student body.

As we consider these improvements and additions, I can’t help but also consider the countless men and women who have gone before us who made our present school possible with their prayers and sacrifices. They gave tirelessly to Pius, not only for their children, but for those who would come after them. They had their eye selflessly on the future, wanting to provide for the needs of future generations whom they had never, and would never meet.

In the same way, I am asking for your help in collaborating with us on this Capital Campaign. The developments to our Chapel, the Fine Arts and Athletic program and their facilities, the added benefit to the parishes with their own fundraising endeavors, as well as all the other good things occurring, will set the stage for the future success of countless students who will come after us. We are paying it forward for the next generations of Catholics, and providing a facility for them where they can become the saints they are called to be.

Know of my prayers for each one of you, and my deep gratitude for your stewardship in this important campaign for Pius X High School.

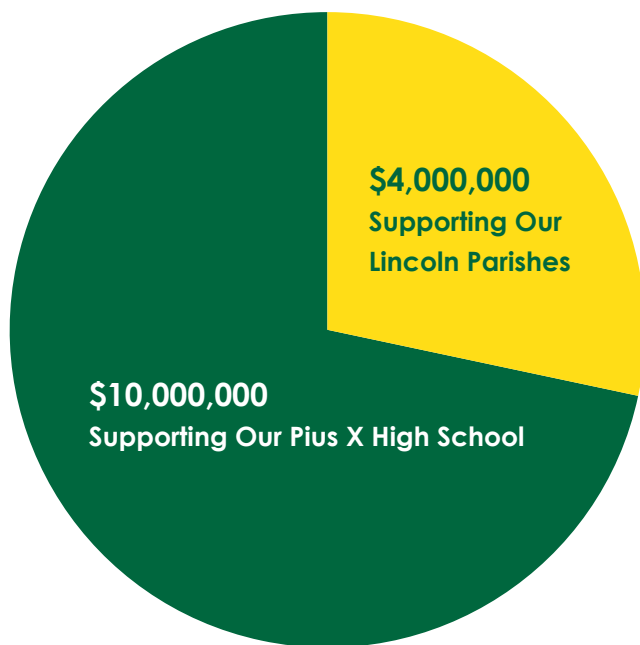


Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Rev. James D. Conley
Bishop of Lincoln

FORWARD IN *Faith and Excellence*

CAMPAIGN GOALS PARISH PHASE - FALL 2025 \$14,000,000



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TIMELINE

PIUS X MAJOR GIFT PHASE GOAL: \$18,700,000

- Began in Fall of 2024
- 100% of pledges towards Pius X funding needs

PARISH PHASE GOAL: \$14,000,000

- Fall of 2025
- Revenue sharing:
 - Each Parish has a target as part of the \$14 million goal.
 - Pledges made up to Parish Target:
 - 28% to Parish
 - 72% to Pius X
 - Pledges in excess of Parish Target:
 - 90% to Parish
 - 10% to Pius X

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STEERING COMMITTEE

Tim and Linda Aschoff
Andy Barry and Jennifer Carter
Fr. Thomas Brouillette
Steve '86 and Tricia Burt
Jeremy Ekeler '97
Kent '83 and Dorothy Endacott
Don Fairholm
Ryan Funke
Michael and Monica Henkenius
Courtney Johnson
Jennie (Sayker) Kobza '11
Fr. James Meysenburg
Emily Moore
Grant '13 and Julie (Ward) '09 Schumacher
John and Pamela Steuter

PARISH PHASE CAMPAIGN PLANNING COMMITTEE

Fr. Thomas Brouillette
Jeremy Ekeler '97
Don Fairholm
Courtney Johnson
Tracy Lockwood
Fr. Michael McCabe
Fr. Michael Morin '78
Fr. Troy Schweiger '87

FAST FACT *Priests and religious sisters
currently serving at Pius X:*
18

North American M A R T Y R S C a t h o l i c C h u r c h



As your pastor, I want to share something close to my heart — and to the heart of our diocese. Pius X Catholic High School has long been a pillar of faith and formation in our community. Even if you didn't attend Pius yourself (like me), chances are you've still felt its impact.

So many of our priests, religious sisters, teachers, and lay leaders first heard God's call while walking the halls of Pius X. They were inspired by faithful teachers and priests who showed them that a life of service to Christ was not only possible, but beautiful. The ripple effects of that formation continue to bless every parish in our diocese — including ours.

North American Martyrs, in conjunction with Pius X, is launching the Forward in Faith and Excellence campaign. The project will not only enhance the educational experience of our only Catholic high school but is a wonderful opportunity to invest in our parish as well.

That's because nearly half of the funds raised by our parish will come right back to us — almost \$1,000,000 — to address many important needs here at home: replacing our aging HVAC system, creating a beautiful new outdoor gathering space in the green area south of the parish hall, and enhancing our already beautiful Church and Sanctuary with additional sacred details.

Our parish has always shown tremendous generosity when it comes to supporting both our local faith family and the broader Catholic community. Together, we can ensure that our parish and Pius X continue to shine as beacons of faith, learning, and community for years to come.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my parish staff and our many volunteers for their efforts to make this campaign a success.

May God bless you!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Hall".

~Fr. Hall



By Supporting *Forward in Faith and Excellence*, we are also building up the life and mission of our own community here at home.

NAM TARGET: **\$1,356,971** (\$379,952 to NAM, \$977,019 to Pius)
STRETCH GOAL: **\$643,029** (\$578,726 to NAM, \$64,303 to Pius)
TOTAL PARISH GOAL: **\$2,000,000** (\$958,678 benefiting NAM; \$1,041,322 benefiting Pius)

OUR PARISH FUNDING PRIORITIES:

New Outdoor Space for Faith, Fun, and Fellowship

- A beautiful new outdoor gathering space designed to unite all ages of our parish family in faith, friendship, and in the beauty of God's creation. This special space will be constructed in the green area south of the parish hall.
- Your support will help create a lasting place where faith grows, friendships deepen, and God's love is made visible among us.

Replacement of Our Aging HVAC System

- The current HVAC system is nearing the end of its 30-year life expectancy.
- Replacing it will ensure reliable heating and cooling for our parish facilities for years to come.

Ornamentation of Our Church

- Enhance the beauty of our worship space with sacred details that help teach and inspire the Faith.
- Refresh the granite on the altar, update the ambo, and improve the backdrop behind our crucifix to better reflect the beauty of the liturgy.
- Install a Communion rail to foster greater reverence and devotion during the celebration of the Eucharist.

Preparing Our Parish for the Future

- Any funds raised beyond our goal will be added to our Parish Endowment to strengthen long-term financial stability.
- These gifts will help sustain our ministries and support fair, competitive pay for our dedicated teachers who serve our parish families.



"I thirst for you." Four powerful words that Jesus shared with St. Mother Teresa—words that changed my life forever. I first heard them during a meditation at a high school youth night at North American Martyrs. Because of the opportunities I had through youth ministry at NAM, I encountered the heart of Jesus Christ in a personal way.

His love and thirst for me led me to dive deeper into my faith the rest of high school at Pius X, college and say "yes" to God's call...

High school is such an important time when young people begin to make their faith their own. They need spaces and opportunities to hear the Gospel and to learn how to listen to God's voice. Our youth ministry is growing rapidly, and we dream of creating an outdoor space where our junior high and high school groups can gather, pray, and build community."

- Jaz Ocampo (Youth Minister at NAM and 2018 Pius X Graduate)

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Dear Friends in Christ,

At the heart of every parish, every vocation, and every Catholic family in our diocese is a shared mission: to form disciples of Jesus Christ. Catholic education plays a vital role in that mission, and at Pius X High School, we have the privilege of forming young men and women not only for academic success, but for a life rooted in faith, service, and leadership. In other words, future Catholic leaders who “Restore all things in Christ”!



The Forward in Faith and Excellence Campaign is our shared response to the growing needs of our community's high school and our parishes. It is more than a school project—it is a commitment to the future of the Catholic Church in Lincoln and beyond. This campaign will provide for both parish-specific needs and the pressing infrastructure and programmatic needs of Pius X High School.

We believe a strong Pius X benefits the entire Catholic community. Our graduates become your parishioners, your volunteers, your catechists—and, God willing, our future priests and religious. The impact of a vibrant, faithful high school ripples outward into every pew and every parish. It strengthens our families and helps root the next generation in a deeper Catholic identity.

This vision begins not at the high school level, but in our parishes and schools. We want every Catholic family to see that a faithful Catholic education can and should span from preschool through high school graduation. A seamless experience of Catholic formation, supported by parish and diocesan collaboration, is not only possible—it is essential.

The Forward in Faith and Excellence Campaign is our opportunity to invest in that vision. It is our way of building something lasting for the students who are here now, and those who are yet to come. Thank you for walking with us in faith and generosity.

Blessed to be a Bolt,

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Jeremy Ekeler '97
Chief Administrative Officer
Pius X Catholic High School

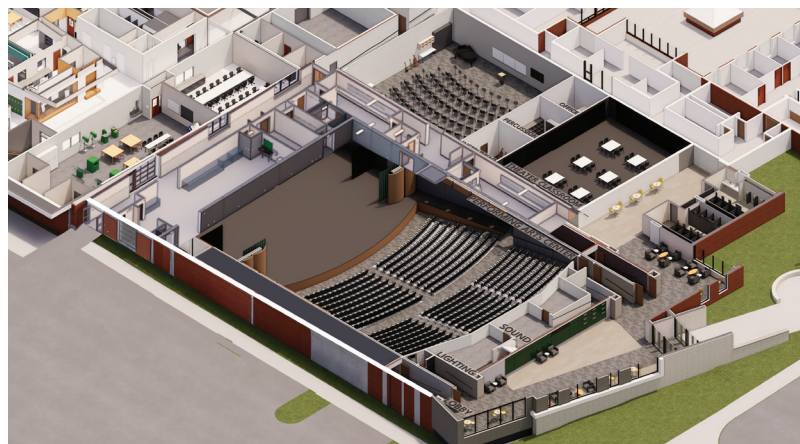
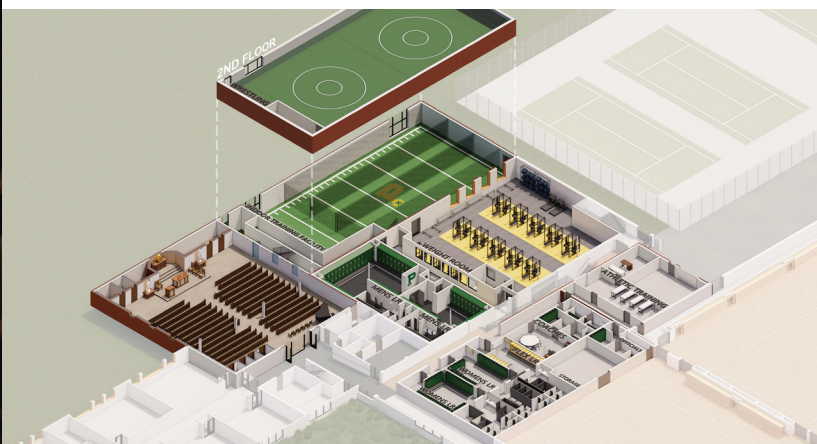




FAST FACT *Pius X graduates who are priests (45) or women religious (24):*
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CAMPAIGN FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR YOUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER:	\$15,950,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Multi-purpose, modern facility for theater productions, dance performances, choral and band concerts, meetings, speakers, and community gatherings, which will enable more students to participate.12,500 square feet, with seating capacity for 600+.	
LOCKER ROOMS AND ATHLETICS UPGRADES:	\$6,450,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">New football locker room and addition of two school locker rooms.Expanded weight room, new wrestling space, indoor training and practice turf.	
EXPANDED AND BEAUTIFIED CHAPEL:	\$3,650,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Increased capacity from 170 to 325.Updated interior design reflecting a sacred, prayerful space.	
GROWTH OF TEACHER EXCELLENCE FUND:	\$700,000
GROWTH OF GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOLARSHIP:	\$300,000
BUILDING-WIDE HVAC IMPROVEMENTS:	\$1,250,000
EAST PARKING LOT ADDITION:	\$400,000
ENDOWMENT GROWTH:	\$28,700,000
LONG TERM GOAL: Increase from \$19.5 million to \$30 million in 10 years.	



FUNDING THE VISION

AN INVITATION TO PARTNERSHIP

We invite you to invest in the future of our parish community and Pius X High School through a tax-deductible pledge.

TABLE OF GIVING FIVE-YEAR PLEDGE SCHEDULE

LEVEL	ANNUALLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	QUARTERLY	MONTHLY
\$250,000	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$4,167
\$100,000	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$1,667
\$50,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$883
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$417
\$20,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$333
\$15,000	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$750	\$250
\$10,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$500	\$167
\$5,000	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$83

INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Commitments may be paid over a five-year period and are tax deductible. The most common payment method is cash, but an increasingly popular option is gifting stock. This can help avoid capital gains taxes and still qualifies for the tax deductibility of a charitable gift. Please contact Courtney Johnson at courtney.johnson@piusx.net for transfer guidance.

IN ORDER TO MAKE A GIFT, PERSONALIZED PLEDGE FORMS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL PARISHIONERS.

FAST FACT *Current Pius X enrollment*
1,069

FAST FACT *Diocese of Lincoln Seminarians are Pius X graduates*
45%

FAST FACT *Students involved in arts or athletics:*
69%

CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Almighty God and Father, Through Your blessing and the sacrifices of so many, the life of faith has flourished in our parishes and at Pius X High School. We now seek to build on what you have done and move forward in faith and excellence. Guide our efforts to bring to a successful completion this work of Your love. May our hearts constantly be transformed by your presence as we make a return on the multitude of graces that you have poured out in our midst. Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God and our patron saints, bring to perfection the sacrifices we will offer to You. We ask this with the Holy Spirit through Christ our Lord. Amen.