

Campaign Prayer

Good and gracious God,
we recognize all life is a gift and a blessing.

We thank you for your most generous love.

Encourage us to be persons of honesty and integrity,
worthy of proclaiming the Gospel,
in this sacred ministry of fundraising.

Help us to always reverence the sacred space
where our donors and our missions meet.

Give us openness to listen to the needs of our donors.

Give us joyful spirits, and an eagerness to engage others.

Give us hopeful imagination and creative vision,
recognizing generosity in even the smallest gift.

Give us strong, steadfast hearts in times of discouragement.

Give us trusting hearts, knowing that the fruits of labors
will be realized long after we are gone.

Give us faithful hearts, deeply committed to Your realm.

Let us feel Your Presence
so that we know we are never truly alone.

Remind us always that what we do for the least of
our brothers and sisters, we do for you.

We ask this in Jesus' name, and in unity of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



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THE PLAN

CAMPAIGN GOAL - \$20 million

PHASE 1 - \$7 million

- ▶ Purchase, asbestos abatement and demolition of the Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home 10-acre property (\$2.25m)
- ▶ Turf Multi-Purpose Field on OLA site (\$900k to \$1.2m)
- ▶ Purchase of JCA campus from the Joliet Franciscans (\$1.5m)
- ▶ Establishment of OSF Legacy Faculty/Staff Fund (\$1m total funded over five years at \$200k per year)
- ▶ West Parking Lot
- ▶ Tennis Courts
- ▶ Significant Stormwater Management/Detention Improvements

PHASE 2 - \$9 million

- ▶ East Parking Lot
- ▶ Legacy Fields Complex Entryway
- ▶ Multi-Purpose Stadium at OLA site
- ▶ Track Resurfacing at Practice Field
- ▶ Concessions and Tennis Viewing Building

PHASE 3 - \$4 million

- ▶ New Softball Field Construction
- ▶ Baseball Facility Upgrades
- ▶ Maximize Funding of the JCA Endowment for Tuition Assistance

*Concept budget subject to change.

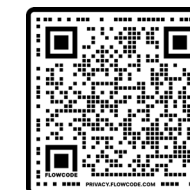


YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

RECOGNITION LEVELS	
\$1,800 - \$3,600	Legacy
\$3,601 - \$6,000	Angels and Hilltoppers
\$6,001 - \$9,999	Victory Light and Halo
\$10,000 - \$29,999	Fr. Joseph Gilmore Society
\$30,000 - \$49,999	Mother Alfred Moes Society
\$50,000+	Carmelite & Franciscan Society

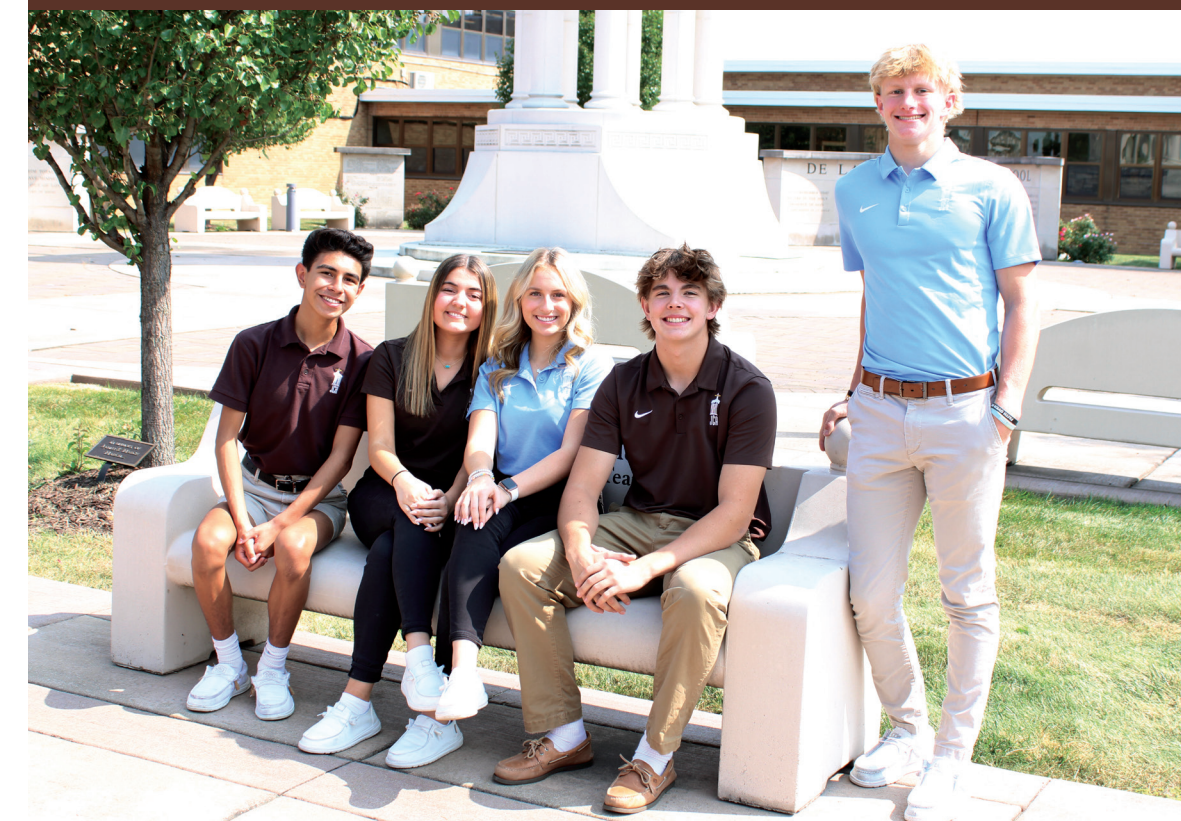
Please prayerfully consider making a meaningful gift to the Legacy Capital Campaign and help support our students for generations to come. To learn more about how you or your family can leave a lasting legacy through **naming opportunities** in *The Legacy Campaign for JCA*, please contact **Ryan Quigley '03**, Director of Institutional Advancement, at rquigley@jca-online.org or 815-741-0563.

Visit jolietcatholicacademy.org/giving/legacycampaign
or scan the QR code to make your mark and leave a lasting
legacy with JCA today.



The Legacy Campaign

FOR JOLIET CATHOLIC ACADEMY





OUR MISSION

Inspiring Growth in Knowledge and Faith since 1869, the Joliet Catholic Academy family creates an environment that cultivates opportunities for academic excellence, meaningful service, Christian respect, and Catholic values in the traditions of the Carmelites and Franciscans.

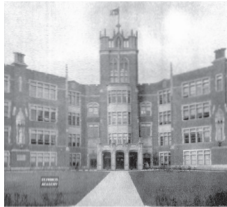
OUR HISTORY

In 1869, the Joliet Franciscan Sisters opened St. Francis Academy as an all-girls school serving the Joliet area. Nearly 50 years later, De La Salle High School for boys was founded by the Christian brothers. In 1933, the Carmelites of the Most Pure Order of the Heart of Mary assumed the leadership of De La Salle and changed the name to Joliet Catholic High School (as a tribute to the people of Joliet). St. Francis Academy moved to 1200 N. Larkin Avenue, the current site of JCA, in 1956. Joliet Catholic Academy was established as such on July 1, 1990. Joliet Catholic Academy is a Roman Catholic college preparatory co-educational high school co-sponsored by the Joliet Franciscan Sisters and the Carmelites of the Most Pure Heart of Mary. These three high schools are the cornerstones of what is now JCA.

As we continue the success of our most recent capital campaigns, we look outward to our grounds and athletic fields. This history of Catholic education in Joliet has been made possible by the Joliet Franciscan and Carmelite religious orders, touching our high schools (St. Francis Academy, Joliet Catholic High School, and JCA), parishes, and local Catholic grammar schools since 1869 and 1918 respectively.



1918-1927
Old St. Patrick's/
De La Salle on Broadway



1923-1990
St. Francis Academy (SFA)/
University of St. Francis (USF)
on Wilcox and Taylor



1927 (1933 as JCHS)-1990
Joliet Catholic High School
(JCHS) on Broadway



1956-1990
St. Francis Academy (SFA)
at 1200 N. Larkin Avenue

NOW IS THE TIME

The successful Field of Dreams capital campaign in 1996 resulted in the first athletic complex at JCA. In our shared history, JCA, SFA, and JCHS have never had an on-campus stadium to host varsity athletic contests. A turf multi-purpose playing surface for football, soccer, lacrosse, and physical education classes would be a “first” on campus, allowing for scheduling flexibility and use after inclement weather.



In addition, providing best-in-class facilities can not wait any longer. The economic climate is such that raising substantial funds for major projects will only get more difficult, and JCA is well positioned with our recent fundraising success on multiple campaign fronts. JCA has made remarkable strides in recent years with the Honoring our Past, Building our Future capital campaigns, delivering new windows, air-conditioning, Wi-Fi infrastructure, Heritage Quad, the LaVerne and Dorothy Brown Mary, Our Sister Chapel, the Warning Family Innovation Research Center, and the M. Christine (Wicklein '66) Schwartz Art Gallery to our campus.

WHY THE LEGACY CAMPAIGN FOR JCA?

We believe this project is akin to the transformational campaigns undertaken by both founding orders in 1956 with the construction of St. Francis Academy and the construction of St. Elias Priory and the academic wing addition to Joliet Catholic High School. Those projects set the stage for enrollment increases, peaking for both school communities by 1966 with nearly 2,000 students enrolled between both institutions. This visionary undertaking, along with school choice, will set JCA up for our next 50 years and beyond in a similar manner.

Updating the outdoor athletic complex is a perfect way to celebrate our storied athletic programs. Upgrades to the baseball, football, softball, soccer, tennis, and track and field complexes will finally give all outdoor athletic teams, physical education classes, and the entire JCA student body a place to call home. The legacy and rich traditions of JCA can also be shared with our local Catholic grade schools, area non-profits, and local youth sports organizations.



THE LEGACY CAMPAIGN FOR JCA



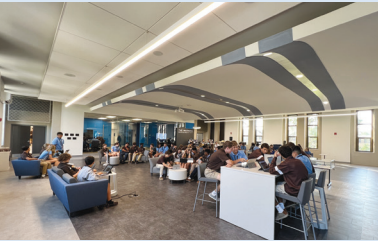
“Honoring Our Past”
Windows and Air Conditioning
Wi-Fi Infrastructure



“Honoring Our Past”
Heritage Quad; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
statue; St. Francis of Assisi statue



“Honoring Our Past”
The Laverne and Dorothy Brown Mary,
Our Sister Chapel; Eucharistic Chapel



“Building our Future”
Warning Family Innovation Research Center;
WJCA Broadcasting Studio; Robotics &
Exploration LAB; Collaborative pods

2024

The Legacy Campaign for JCA
The most expansive capital campaign in the history of Joliet Catholic Academy, increasing the campus from 38.5 acres to 48 acres with the purchase of the Our Lady of Angels property, creating a state-of-the-art on-campus athletic complex.

2021

2018

2016

2015