

## CCHS Chapel Renovation Project

The chapel at CCHS has been a long-standing place of worship and gathering for the students, families, and staff of Steubenville Catholic Central High School. Students, staff and family members shared in weekly mass, and alumni have celebrated reunion masses in the chapel. Students participate in bi-weekly adoration and have grown in faith, love, and service to God and one another. The Chapel Renovation Project and the campaign for support makes it possible for future generations of Crusaders to do the same.

For nearly 6 years, since he began serving as the chaplain at CCHS, Fr. Michael Gossett had been celebrating weekly mass in the small chapel on the first floor. Several years ago, when evenings of Eucharistic adoration were started, with music provided by some of the students, this chapel was quickly outgrown. Students were kneeling out in the hallway because there was absolutely no more room. Adoration was then moved to one of the classrooms, where it remained for a couple years. However, in 2020, Covid-19 forced us to seek a bigger space. That is when the temporary chapel was established in the library. The chapel was once situated in this section of the building in the early 1960's, thus returning the chapel to its original location in the school.

While this temporary setup has been useful for adoration and smaller masses, it is not ideal to have a space for prayer that only feels temporary. The chapel is an essential part of who we are as a Catholic school – Jesus is present in our school in the Eucharist. Students can often be found making a visit to the chapel during their free time, and Fr. Michael spends two lunch periods a week hearing confessions. We celebrate 7:15am morning mass on Wednesdays and Fridays, and every other Wednesday evening, students participate in Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel. Each CCHS student utilizes the chapel for prayer and quiet reflection every week through their theology classes.

The current temporary structure seats approximately 75 people. The Wednesday evening adorations have consistently exceeded capacity. Our plan is to transform 1/3 of the library into a permanent chapel which will seat 120 people. This chapel, at the heart of our school, will be a place for our students to pray and worship the Lord and continue to grow in their faith. We would love your help to do that. By contributing to our work on the chapel, you are making a vital and lasting difference in this school that we love and in the faith lives of our students and staff.

To date we have raised over \$28,000 towards the \$200,000+ project goal. Additionally, we have had beautiful stained-glass windows, that were originally in Our Lady of Queen Peace Parish in Smithfield, Ohio, donated by Fr. Richard Tuttle, Class of 1968. Six of these windows will be incorporated into the interior wall and will be backlit. The two larger windows will be used as part of the existing exterior windows.

CCHS alumnus, musician and comedian Mark Eddie Lesinski, Class of 1982, performed a benefit show on November 27<sup>th</sup>, raising nearly \$20,000 of the initial total.

Opportunities to support the chapel renovations are welcome in all denominations. Specific areas of support are provided on the back. These specific projects total \$176,000 and have recognition opportunities.

Please consider donating for the renovation and expansion of the chapel that will transform our student experience for years to come.

## Investment opportunities

<i>Investment</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Type of recognition</i>
Lead Gift	\$ 50,000.00	Plaque at the entrance of the chapel with a dedication to the donor/donor wishes
AC	\$ 20,000.00	Dedication plaque in the chapel
Confessional	\$ 15,000.00	Dedication plaque on the confessional door
Sacristy	\$ 15,000.00	Dedication plaque on the sacristy door
Music Area	\$ 15,000.00	Dedication plaque in the music area
Altar/refurbish/purchase	\$ 10,000.00	Top tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Crucifix	\$ 10,000.00	Top tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Lighting/Lamps/Celing Fans	\$ 10,000.00	Top tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Altar Platform	\$ 5,000.00	2nd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Tabernacle Stand	\$ 5,000.00	2nd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Niches (2)	\$ 5,000.00	2nd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Angels (2) for the altar	\$ 5,000.00	2nd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Vestments and Server Cassocks	\$ 5,000.00	2nd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Holy Water Font (2)	\$ 1,500.00	3rd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Stations of the Cross	\$ 1,500.00	3rd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
House Saint Icons	\$ 1,500.00	3rd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
Electric candles	\$ 1,500.00	3rd tier dedication plaque on the donor recognition wall
	<b>\$ 176,000.00</b>	



Bishop Monforton and over 80 CCHS students who participated in the Wednesday Evening Eucharistic Adoration on November 10, 2021