



# St. Mary's Gymnasium

Proposed Improvements

# Facts

- The gymnasium is our most utilized school facility.
- Sports, Recess, PE, Afterschool Care, and many other events including our dinner auction occur here.
- The building is structurally sound, and overall, appropriately sized for what we need.
- The design and materials used in the building offer a character that sets it apart.



# Facts

- Much like our church prior to its remodel, there comes a time when updates are necessary.
- The proposed improvements will make the gym safer, more useful, and more marketable to potential families as we grow.
- Creating opportunities for growth like this is what will sustain our school.



# Floor - Current Condition

- Current tile floor has served its purpose well but is beginning to buckle and fail.
- Condition of the floor may prevent us from hosting special sporting events.
- Two layers of tile floor will need to be removed to ensure proper installation and warranty of a new floor.
- Lower layer of tile is asbestos and will need to be removed by abatement per the Diocese.



# Floor - Current Condition



# Proposed - New Floor

- Several options of flooring are being considered.
- Most popular for durability and use is a resilient sheet flooring that is specifically made for multi-use facilities like ours.
- Holy Childhood in Mascoutah recently upgraded their gym with this type of floor.



# Proposed - New Floor

- St. Mark's in Steeleville also updated their similar floor within the last 10 years.
- Like us, their gym had to have asbestos abatement done prior to new floor installation.
- Budgetary estimate for asbestos abatement with Farmer's Environmental managing is \$55,000.
- Budgetary estimate for the floor and painted lines is also \$55,000.



# Bleachers - Current Condition

- Our wooden bleachers are difficult to open and close, are damaged, and dangerous to climb.
- There are no handrails or steps.
- Because they are open, all trash falls beneath them.
- The depth of these bleachers prevent the correct width of basketball floor. Our floor is 38' wide, but should be at least 42' wide.





# Proposed - New Bleachers

- New bleachers would be safer, more comfortable, easier to open and close, and easier to clean.
- New bleachers could be configured to maximize space available and allow us to widen our usable floor space when they are open.



# Proposed - New Bleachers

- St. Mark's in Steeleville installed bleachers similar to what we would need when they remodeled.
- Budgetary estimate for new bleachers with installation is \$40,000.
- The company that installed these gave us our best price and are located in Altamont, IL.



# Proposed Improvements Summary

- Metal halide lights were replaced at almost no cost in 2022 with LEDs. This results in significant energy cost savings.
- **Total project estimate to continue with improvements on the floor and bleachers is \$150,000.**
- Beyond that, final improvements would be new scoreboards, windows, and painting of walls.



# We need your help

- Aaron Petrowske has volunteered to handle managing the project.
- In order to get it started though, we'll need to raise capital specifically for this.
- Please use our family of family's network to spread the word, generate ideas, and collaborate to work toward funding this project.
- We'll need involvement from many to raise the funds, or this simply won't happen.



# We need your help

- Let's make a difference for our current children and for those in many years to come.
- Please call Aaron with any questions, ideas, or concerns at 573-768-6484.

**THANKS!**

