

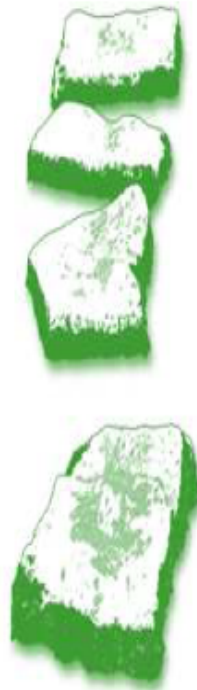
## Core Team

# Stepping Stones

This is the second in a 4-part series of articles explaining the reasons for the next phase of St. Joseph Building Plan. Check the parish website, [www.sjfay.com](http://www.sjfay.com), for pertinent info or to email a question to the Core Team.

### Why School Space?

As enrollment grows and grades are added, in keeping with the Fayetteville School district's shift to a 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade high school, Mrs. Finch, our principal, believes that not only are classrooms a must, but services are as well. We want to be competitive with other schools and provide the best. We need sports and music programs. A gym could double for games, concerts, receptions, programs, etc. The gym could also be used for PE and recess in bad weather. School functions would no longer interfere with Youth Ministry functions once an Activity Center is built.



A permanent stage, or a sturdier stage, would be available to school, church, youth ministry, PRE and parish life. There would be another (partial) kitchen space, so we would no longer have conflicts with the various groups – youth, Kof C, Women's Fellowship – who want to use the kitchen.

During the school day, anyone looking for a private meeting space now has a tough time. The current conference room is not big enough for the entire school board, but it is the only space available. The new Activity Center and additional classrooms would free up more adequate meeting spaces in the current facility.

There is no perfect solution, but this plan solves a multitude of problems. Keep posted for more.