

The Renovation Story

In 2016, a Parish Planning Committee was formed and developed a strategic 3-year plan for our parish; a copy of which was mailed to every household. In this plan, five major vision statements address areas of parish life that will benefit from some enhancement to better spread the Gospel to our community and beyond. One of the vision statements reads, "Build. To Develop and improve the Church space to enhance the quality of worship."

A Renovation Design Committee has been formed to address this vision statement with a goal to develop a plan to enhance the beautiful worship space that we already enjoy, and update materials that have become the source of consistent maintenance concerns. (such as carpet/flooring, ceiling, lighting/electrical, HVAC system, to name a few) Some of these elements have been on the agendas of many parish council meetings over many years. Since the church was built in 1966 the only renovation was in 1994. Now is an exciting time to enhance our worship space to take our parish into the future!

Now is the time to join together in prayer and call upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Let us work together to plan an enhancement of our worship space that will ignite and sustain the fire of God's Love within the hearts of all who worship here, and inspire them to take that Love to the world!

WHO?

The committee was selected by the former pastor Fr. Tony Jones and staff members based on several qualifying attributes: history of membership in the parish, variety of ages, knowledge of building, engineering, liturgy, interior design/decorating, art and environment in Catholic worship, etc. The current members are:

Fr. John Vaughan - Matt Gray - Dot Reid - Julie Renshaw - Lisa Prendergast - Lisa Sims - Sarah Ford - Bill Weikel - Rick Ebelhar - John Castlen - Steven Weaver.

Our Bishop requires every church renovation be guided by a qualified liturgical design consultant. We secured the services of Brother Martin Erspamer, OSB, a monk of St. Meinrad who is officially recognized as a Liturgical Design Consultant.

HOW? [SOURCES USED]

Several resources are consulted: "**Built of Living Stones**," "**Environment and Art in Catholic Worship**," "**God's House is Our House**," and **The Roman Missal**.