



Ss. Peter and Paul the Apostles Parish in Bradenton, Inc.

Monday, September 29, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

The COVID-19 challenge continues to impact all of us; however, I believe we are seeing signs of improvement. This observation is simply to emphasize this has been a most unusual year.

Ss Peter and Paul the Apostles Church remains committed to the mission of the call to holiness as well as the proper care for all the resources that the faithful have entrusted to us. A week ago I announced the upcoming projects that we will be undertaking beginning this month:

- a new roof on the main church building including chapel and office area as multiple leaks are now beyond repair;
- refurbishing the pews (both new upholstery and refinishing the wooden areas) as we are well past the 15-year life of pad and cloth at 30+ years of usage;
- installation of projectors on each side of the sanctuary to use power point for music.

These projects have been approved by the Diocese, and the contracts are signed. For all three of these improvements there will be the need for us to be flexible regarding our daily and weekly participation. We will have use of our main building (sometime with external construction noise); however, the entrances may be affected and certain internal parts unusable for short periods of time. I am grateful for your willingness to adapt.

This news comes to us with the encouragement (so far as I can see) that we WILL NOT need any special collections or building fund. We do have an opportunity for donations to the roofing project if anyone would like to contribute directly to that cause. (There are some tax advantages to those who must take Required Minimum Distributions from retirement savings – please consult your personal financial advisor.)

The parishioners are asked to continue their regular support for the parish week or monthly. Likewise, we continue to ask for your support for the Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA). This annual collection for the Diocese finds us at 50% of our parish goal of \$301,00. I am confident that we can reach this target as we did last year.

We continue with our live streaming the Mass every day at the regular Mass time and at 9:30 on Sundays. The Mass can be viewed from our Facebook page **Saints Peter and Paul the Apostles**. The sanitizing procedure of the inside of the church continues as it has from the reopening of our church building. We are grateful for the parishioners who help with this task after each Mass, and your participation in wearing masks helps to contribute to the effort to keep everyone safe.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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