

Building Expansion Update:

Having held Sharing Sessions with parishioners in late October 2019, the Building Committee continues to facilitate the design of a Parish Activity Center.

Utilizing parishioner input from the October sessions, the scope of the project has been revised to encompass the key needs of our Parish, which were identified as the following:

- Adequate space for Religious Education classes
- Meeting rooms for use by all parish groups and organizations
- Adding space to accommodate full day Preschool
- Improved office space
- Adding storage that adequately meets the needs of the Parish
- Liturgically enhance the sanctuary

Initial plans accomplished the above at an estimated cost of \$5M. Revised plans address a majority of the above, on a reduced scale, at an estimated expense of \$2.8M.

The revised targeted budget was arrived at through a fundraising planning study facilitated by Walsh & Associates. Our thanks to those parishioners who participated in this study.

The revised plans are available for viewing in our Church narthex. Please utilize the question box or building committee email (sjdbuild@gmail.com) for questions or comments. Also, please feel free to contact any of the building committee members:

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Next steps include a review of these plans by the Diocese. Upon review and approval, the fundraising portion of this initiative will begin. This is an exciting undertaking for our Parish and will result in helping many people for generations to grow in their Catholic faith.

Questions/Answers:

- 1) What is the status of funds raised through the Diocese Stewards of God's Grace Campaign?

The Goal assigned to St. John's was \$715,468, of which the portion that our Parish would receive was \$357,734. Through 1/14/2019, the total that has been paid to the Diocese is \$746,646. The four designated projects from our Parish portion were: replace our HVAC (total expense of \$97,287, which was under the budgeted amount of \$125,000); improve sanctuary lighting (total expense of \$5,777, which was under the budgeted amount of \$37,500); building expansion plans (expenses currently total \$36,253, which is under the budgeted amount of \$120,000); increase Parish outreach (plans are still being elaborated; budgeted amount of \$75,000).

- 2) Will there be another Diocesan Capital Campaign?

There are no known plans for another Diocese wide capital campaign at this time.

- 3) How much has our Parish grown?

The number of registered parish families/singles has grown 13% since 2011 (554 registered to 625 registered).

- 4) Under the revised plans, will the sanctuary floor be levelled?

The revised plans do not include levelling the sanctuary floor. Adding a baptistery just inside the doors to the sanctuary is included.