

BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY, PLANNING OUR FUTURE

Update of the process, June 2016

At the first session of our All Parish Workshops on May 24, 2016, 76 participants brainstormed in creating ideas focused on the treasures, values and needs they have for a new church facility. At the second session on May 31, 2016, 97 participants were each given 3 dots and asked to place them anywhere on the listing of treasures, values and needs (created at the first session). This was not a vote. Rather it offered a means to convey to our Liturgical Designer- John Buscemi, to the Pastoral Council and to the Construction Committee a format (or pulse) of what is valued, treasured and needed by parishioners. Within two weeks, Buscemi will be condense these ideas into concept statements that will be presented at the third session on June 14, 2016 and eventually given to an architect for creating a new structure. This process is still in the infantile stages for land has not been purchased nor has any architect been hired.

Yet to keep all of you informed . . . the following is the results of the 3-dot preferences:

- 40 Large Gathering Space, multi-purpose (dinners, ballroom, gym)
- 32 Conservative building (practical and beautiful)
- 19 Stain Glass (from North and South)
- 18 Financially sound
- 17 Welcoming and open atmosphere
- 15 Energy efficient
- 12 Dining Hall with full kitchen
- 12 Strong music ministry

- 8 Open space for sanctuary (equal visibility, open Church)
- 8 Adoration Chapel (Meditation Chapel)
- 7 Wooded ground, nature setting, peaceful atmosphere, large windows, outdoor wedding
- 6 Technology
- 4 Outdoor space (for Festivals, BBQ, etc.)
- 4 Stadium seating for young, old and handicapped to see and participate
- 4 Large enough for Christmas/Easter attendance
- 4 Catholic faith and tradition

- 3 Young adult ministry
- 3 Engaging liturgical experience
- 3 Youth involvement, inviting to youth
- 3 Sacramentals from both (stations of cross, crucifix, etc.)
- 3 Traditional looking church (not a warehouse)
- 3 Crucifix (North)
- 3 Frescos (South)
- 3 Pews
- 3 Youth involvement in Mass
- 3 Fr. Kevin

- 2 A building that allows for potential sharing with another faith congregation
- 2 Potential retail space (e.g. childcare, adult day care, religious bookstore)
- 2 Projection / screen system

- 2 Smaller chapel
- 2 Practical worship area (but not ugly)
- 2 Capable to add on for future growth
- 2 Church bells
- 2 Use existing stain glass to create new stain glass
- 2 Traditional Catholic values
- 2 Respect history from both

- 1 Music ministry
- 1 Accessible to all
- 1 Activity Center / gym
- 1 Ceiling not too high or too low
- 1 Realistic timeline (between fundraising and construction)
- 1 Pipe organ
- 1 Large classrooms
- 1 Music rehearsal space
- 1 Music instruments (grand piano, etc.)
- 1 Granite altar and tabernacle (South)
- 1 Inviting community
- 1 One community
- 1 Social justice and concerns
- 1 Inviting to elders
- 1 Involvement opportunities for all

Encouraging to all
 FIRE (Faith Formation)
 Centrally located
 Large parking area include handicapped associability
 Covered entrance
 Outdoor Chapel
 Participate with other churches (Ecumenical)
 Nursery
 Daycare center
 Carved wooden statues (from South)
 Baptismal font (North)
 Keep large donated items (sound system, overhead lights, hymnals, etc.)
 Outdoor Mary grotto (North)
 Working on unity
 Centralized staff/office space
 Large storage areas
 Specific dedicated spaces for sacraments
 Wooden beams
 Theology on Tap