



30 October 2022 + Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Capital Campaign Update... Thanks to all who have now made their five-year pledge commitment to our capital campaign. There are two reasons for publishing the names of those whose pledge has been received and reported. First is to thank you on behalf of All Saints Parish for your sacrifice and commitment, but secondly is to make sure you know your pledge was recorded for All Saints Parish and that we have received confirmation. If you do not see your name but have mailed in your pledge, let our office know so that we can follow up and make sure your pledge card was received. It does take about a week to get these reports, but we still want to make sure all records are accurate and complete.

If you have not mailed in your pledge card yet, please do so as soon as possible. If you were not at Mass last weekend when the cards and envelopes were distributed, they will be at the campaign tables for pick up this weekend as well. If someone at home is not able to attend Mass, feel free to take a card and envelope for them.

More on our Capital Projects... I hope my talk last weekend was helpful to you, explaining the process of our parish merger, the financial arrangements that were established during the merger, and the way we went about doing projects over the past ten years utilizing funds that were properly reserved for each of our three church locations. I hope it is clear that there are still monies available to use for our two major projects from our reserved capital improvement funds, but none to cover the full expense. That is why this capital campaign is so important.

When we had our brief presentations on the two capital projects at our parish receptions, the intent was not to give a definitive presentation on what was decided. Our goal was to present ideas regarding what we can do, especially for the parish hall in Stanley. Once we know what funds we will have, we will then be able to look more specifically at the renovations. I assure you that when we do this, any parishioners who are interested in the design of the hall, bidding on various parts of the project, or even donating time and talent for its completion, will be more than welcome. We are just not there yet. Don't think all is set in stone.

Project Reports... Each year I have sent you an update on all of the major projects we have undertaken over the past ten years. This is sent out in January with your contribution statements. Last year we gave a round figure as to the cost of these more recent projects. Lori Setzer will be working to see if further information can be included on the projects that did not have a dollar figure on them. Hopefully, this will be helpful to you to know how much we have invested in these improvements.

November: The Month of the Holy Souls... On Tuesday we celebrate All Saints Day, our patronal feast, and then on Wednesday, All Soul's Day, when we pray especially for the repose of the souls of our beloved dead. Make this simple prayer part of your family prayers throughout this month: "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace!"

Blessings and best wishes,