

**Subject:** Parish Center Update

**Date:** March 5, 2016

### **Parish Center Approvals**

We have good news. We now have all approvals for construction of our Parish Center. Father has received the signed Proxy from the Archbishop, the Village of Kewaskum has approved our building plans, and the State of Wisconsin has approved our architectural plans. Secondly, we have approval from CD Smith for changes to our construction contract. These changes were recommended by our insurance carrier, Catholic Mutual, as protection for HT.

### **Holy Trinity Building Committee Meeting Notes – February 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting Date**

In Attendance: Holy Trinity: Albert Fleischman, Jim Leister, Andy Pesch, Larry Bunkelman, Jacky Herriges; CD Smith: Mitch Kidd

The Building Committee reviewed the resubmitted quotes for the plumbing and electrical contractors. Based on quote & detailed design, a motion was made by Jim Leister, seconded by Larry Bunkelman to accept Pieper Power's bid. The motion to accept bid was unanimous.

Proposals and bids by the plumbing contractors were evaluated. A motion was made by Jim Leister, seconded by Andy Pesch to accept the bid submitted by J.T.Schmidt Plumbing for both the Parish Center and remodel of the existing school bathrooms. The motion was carried unanimously. The proposal needs to be updated to reflect a larger grease trap from 1000 to 1500 gallons. Utility requirements; manual vs. sensor toilets; urinals and sinks: manual & wall hung vs. floor mount; were all considered. Also considered were initial investments vs. maintenance of components. Finally, we considered the savings over the lifetime of the units.

A recommendation was made by the Building Committee to set up a sub-committee for the existing school bathroom remodel. The committee discussed the requirement of a site fence to enclose the work site. Costs are will be reviewed – CD Smith to investigate. The following projects were discussed, but tabled for later discussion: HT church lighting, illumination of cross on south church exterior, maintenance on main HT church doors, management of parking, HT church tuck pointing and repairs on church basement entrance.

Tentative Schedule of Key Events:

- 2/29 -- Revised architectural/construction plans completed.
- 3/14 – Plans sent out for final contractor bids.
- 3/21 – Goal to have balance of the other contractors selected by week of 3/21.
- 3/28 – Start prep work on site the week of 3/28.
- 4/1 -- Start earth work week of 4/1

The HT Building Committee asks that you please keep in your prayers the leaders and volunteers in this project, the contractors, and craftsmen and all those who have been so generous to the We Believe Campaign. It would also be appreciated if you would add some prayers for good spring weather, so the project gets off to a good start! Thank You.

**Celebration Weekend:** Save the Date! Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> is Our Celebration Date.

### **Holy Trinity's Congregation**

This is our legal name. We were incorporated on October 1, 1883. The Incorporation Papers were signed on September 10, 1883 by John B. Marx, Secretary and Archbishop Michael Heiss. We were incorporated as **Holy Trinity's Congregation**. This legal entity will be responsible for all construction contracts for our Parish Center, and payment of all construction invoices.

We have children and youth from all of our local parishes attending HT School and in our CCD and CYE programs. Our Parish Center has been designed and will be for the youth of our greater Kewaskum area. Father has publicly offered our Parish Center to all citizens and groups that live and work here. It will also be heavily used for sacramental functions.

### **Pledge Information**

Parishioners have requested information regarding our WE BELIEVE pledges. As of Monday, February 22, we have received total pledges of \$2,751,685.74. This is from 360 supporters. Our average pledge is \$5,268.70. These are 3-year pledges. With Faith-In-Our-Future, we received 85% of all pledges. With WE BELIEVE, we anticipate receiving 95%+ of pledges.

### **New Members**

We have many new families and individuals joining our parish. As you've noticed all of our Masses are full. Please consider moving towards the center of the chairs and pews. Please introduce yourself. Invite new members out for coffee, or to your committees or councils. Also, a warm smile and "HI" will help our new members feel welcome. Thank you.

### **Daily Mass**

We'd encourage you to join us at daily Mass. Father incorporates many pertinent subjects & topics in his daily homilies. As one parishioner said, not only do I benefit from receiving the Eucharist at the start of my day, but I always learn something at daily Mass. Father, thank you.

### **Parking Areas**

Parking will be greatly limited while our Parish Center is built. Please consider parking in the Village's public parking lot along Main Street west of Holy Trinity. We have a plan to create 21 spaces in front of HT School, however, this may be used for staging during construction.

### **"No One Can Do Everything, but Everyone Can Do Something"**

The above is from a poster in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom at Holy Trinity School. How appropriate this statement is regarding our WE BELIEVE campaign. Our results have been a testament to the generosity of our community. We invite you to become a part of this special project. If you would like to participate in our Parish Center, please consider making a pledge or donation today. Be a part of something special. Tomorrow's youth will be forever thankful to you. It is true in life and true in our community; we are stronger together than we are as individuals.

### **Holy Trinity Weekly Tithing Update**

Regular weekly tithing pledges for calendar year 2015 -- \$328,554.

Total pledged for calendar year 2016 - \$357,084. This is an increase of **\$28,530 or 8.6%**.

**"Everything Makes Sense in Relation to God's Dream for Us"**