

# Church Window Refurbishing Capital Fund Drive Update

April 30, 2017

Our \$109,000 goal was achieved because of *your* generous donations. Six contributions of \$10,000 each were received. Plaques are being prepared to recognize this level of contribution. The following families made this level of contribution: James Effertz, Bernard Shambour Jr., Patricia Quinn, Leon Wickenhauser, Adrian Wickenhauser and Dale Wildung. In addition to these plaques, we have recognized the donation to this project from the Sister Christa fund, established by Catholic United Financial, on the window in the sanctuary.

The second phase of the Stained Glass refurbishing, which includes the 6 south windows in the church and the windows in the Adoration chapel, is scheduled to start the first part of May with completion scheduled in August 2017.

The Church Air Conditioning is scheduled to be started soon with completion before the summer cooling season. Church air conditioning was included in this project because ventilation windows were eliminated as part of the stained glass refurbishing.

The capital fund drive also included a reduction of the principal of the church roof replacement loan of \$10,000. This payment has been made. \$23,000 still remains on this loan. The Archdiocese has offered to forgive the assessment fee for loan principal payments made before June 30, 2017. Please consider a FIF contribution which will help us retire the church roof loan. Mark your contribution envelope "roof loan".

There is still time to increase your contribution for this fund to qualify for a plaque to recognize gifts of \$10,000 or more. Roof loan contributions will count toward your total gift amount.

The Stained Glass window restoration included the generous donation of time and talent for parts of the project: installation of new exterior limestone window sills, lowering of the interior window sills, insulating and providing support for plaster around the windows, and painting of the wall around the new windows. With out these donations of time and talent the window cost would have increased.

**Thank you, everyone.**

Roger Storms, on behalf of the  
Church Windows Committee



## Easter Flower Donations March 2017

### Donated By:

Mrs Mary Beckrich  
Mr Allan Bongard  
Mr & Mrs Hilary Drees  
  
Mrs Eileen Fasching  
Sarah Foley  
Mr & Mrs Gerald Hoen  
Mrs Judy Jenkins  
Mr & Mrs Tom Kasel  
  
Mr & Mrs Ralph Laumann  
Mr & Mrs Bernard Meuleners  
  
Mr & Mrs Ron Neubarth  
Mrs Helen Nicklaus  
  
Mr & Mrs Richard Paul  
Mrs Patricia Quinn  
  
Herbert & Terri Reiling  
Mr & Mrs Roger Schmitz  
Mr & Mrs Calvin Thaemert  
Mr Brian Vos  
Mr & Mrs Leon Wickenhauser

### In Memory of:

George Diethelm, Margaret Diethelm  
Hilarius Drees, Agnes Drees  
Marinus Fasching  
Dave Foley  
Theresa Feist  
Christopher Jenkins, A & L Beyer  
Living and deceased family members of  
Tom and Lori Kasel  
  
Mike Popelka, Jerry and Elizabeth Flusemann  
Francis and Rose Meuleners  
  
Bob Nicklaus, CH Nicklaus family,  
Francis Wirtz family  
Rich & Lorna Paul families  
Martin J Quinn, Leonard & Loraine Hoen,  
James & Nellie Quinn, Theresa Feist  
Bob & Chris Lindquist  
  
Jacob Harris  
Vos & Schepers family  
Albert & Clara Wickenahuser & deceased family

## Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2017

Meeting was opened with prayer at 6:15pm. Attendance: Fr. Gregory, Sherry Witte, Doris Mielke, Herb Reiling, Ralph Laumann, Andy Kleindl, Laura Templin, Julie Clemensen.

We had a brief discussion about the possible need for a security camera. Some boys have been milling around the church. (Approximately 10 years old.) The Buildings and Grounds committee is looking into this.

Windows Project – Phase 1 is pretty much complete. Starting phase 2 – we have the proxy back from the archdiocese.

Monica Kooiman came to give an update on the Ladies Guild and Fish Frys. The Ladies Guild is still handling funerals and they put together the schedules for cleaning the narthex and the church. They're trying out a Roomba vacuum. They also purchase the cleaning supplies, etc. Looking at getting wireless internet at the church and for use with the Roomba. Fish fry profits are to be used for youth and adult faith formation, which would include catholic school scholarships and possibly paying down some on the roof loan. Looking at cleaning out the back of the cafeteria to make more room for seating.

Guardian Angels Spring Fling and St. Joe's Boogie Blast are on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. They are welcome to hang fliers and put announcements in the bulletin.

Liturgy/Worship Books are being discussed by the Joint Leadership committee. Would like to use the same book at both parish.

Divine Renovation discussion – Chapter 5 (Uplifting Music and Homilies).

We discussed the 3 H's – Hospitality, Hymns and Homilies at great length. Talked about involving children in the homily. Some parishes have a children's homily, some have them come forward and sit in front of the priest. We talked about possibly asking the children a few questions at the beginning of the homily if there are several children in attendance. Fr. Gregory will give this some more thought.

For our next meeting, we'll read Chapter 5 pages 136 – 153: Meaningful Community.

Reviewed and approved of the minutes from our 2/1/17 meeting.

Pancake breakfast – no updates as of yet.

8am St. Bernard Easter Mass – Fr. Gregory is looking for a sub. If we can't find someone, we won't have an 8am mass and would probably need to set up some chairs in the narthex because Easter mass is well-attended.

The Joint Leadership Committee wants to work together in the ministries. Looking at the possibility of having a joint parish council. Would like to have one, joint mission/vision statement.

Our parish council is planning to provide guidance to the stewardship committee in May. Discussed meeting with each committee on separate occasions.

Easter Egg Hunt – The council is in favor of having an Easter Egg Hunt but Fr. Gregory recommends having it on Easter Saturday, which is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. It's liturgically more appropriate than having it during Holy week.

Lent Stations of the Cross – the music is beautiful and it's going well. We should invite people to come.

Office Updates – Sherry has some meetings and seminars coming up. There is an ad in the paper for a shared bookkeeper. Received 3 resumes so far. Roger Storms talked to Sherry about maybe doing something at the chili feed in regards to finishing the window project and celebrating the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the church building. We can talk about this at our May meeting.

Our April meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm and our May meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:15pm. (Roger Storms will attend this meeting on behalf of the Stewardship Committee).

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm. Next Meeting Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm.

St. Bernard's Finance Council Bulletin Summary

For February 20, 2017

*Note: No March meeting*

Attendance: Fr. Gregory, Ralph Laumann, Sherry Witte, Laura Templin, Andy Kleindl, Leo Willems, Connie Hoen, Kelli Starkey

7:02 meeting started with prayer from Fr Gregory

Adopted January 16<sup>th</sup> Finance Council Minutes, with corrections

Adopted February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting agenda

Fish Fry proceeds: proposal to consider amount raised above that needed to balance the faith formation finances be used to reduce the principal balance owing on the roof loan. Monica Koiman, Fish Fry coordinator, was open to this.

Andy reported on Buildings and Grounds Committee:

- 6 volunteers, led by Andy Kleindl and Dave Cebulla
- Roger walked the group through the grounds, outlining the maintenance needed daily/weekly/monthly on the various buildings. Andy will be creating a maintenance manual, schedule and log book.
- Working on a 3-5 year capital needs outline

Sherry reported on several items:

- Propose to share all office staff across St. Bernard's and Ascension (Tamara, new hire and Amy)
- APBA meeting in February – topics included:
  - Information processes at Archdiocese are being centralized with centralized access
  - There is a new format for Clergy Bulletins
  - Spring Formation will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Catholic Services Appeal – just reach their total goal of \$9.38 million

Church Campus lawn mowing: Ralph has 2 volunteers for mowing, however, we will need to advertise for a volunteer for weed whipping.

Stewardship committee: Parish Council will discuss how best to strengthen the directive of the Stewardship Committee.

Budgeting Process is around the corner:

- Kara Wickenhauser and Julie Kleindl will be guests at an upcoming FC meeting to discuss the faith formation program and how it will be funded.

Father reported on several items:

- Ralph Laumann has agreed to renew for another 3 year term. Kelli Starkey has committed to an additional 12 months.
- School building use: Faith formation has been a good use since turn of the year. Is the program enough to maintain the building long term?
- Safety concerns regarding the parking hill in the winter. We should budget for salt moving forward.
- Weekly giving: gathering data to glean insight into actual giving patterns.

9:03 Father ended the meeting with a prayer.

# THE MONTHLY PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

--MAY 2017 --

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<u>1</u> POPE FRANCIS	<u>2</u> REV. GREGORY ABBOTT YOUR PASTOR	<u>3</u> REV. HERBERT HAYAK	<u>4</u> REV. TERRENCE HAYES	<u>5</u> ABP. BERNARD HEBDA	<u>6</u> REV.. ROBERT HAZEL
<u>7</u> REV. DANIEL HEALEY	<u>8</u> REV. DAVID HENNEN	<u>9</u> REV. JOSEPH HENNEN	<u>10</u> REV. JAMES HERRMANN	<u>11</u> REV. ROGER HESSIAN	<u>12</u> REV. JAMES HIMMELS- BACH	<u>13</u> REV. PATRICK HIPWELL
<u>14</u> REV. STEVEN HOFFMAN	<u>15</u> REV. TROY PRZYBILLA	<u>16</u> REV. JOHN HOFSTEDE	<u>17</u> REV. SPENCER HOWE	<u>18</u> REV. RALPH HUAR	<u>19</u> REV. JEFFREY HUARD	<u>20</u> REV. PETER HUGHES
<u>21</u> REV. THOMAS HUNTSTIGER	<u>22</u> REV. JOSEPH HURTUK	<u>23</u> REV. GREGORY HYDE	<u>24</u> REV. MICHAEL INCE	<u>25</u> REV. MICHAEL IZEN	<u>26</u> REV. PAUL JAROSZESKI	<u>27</u> REV. PAUL JARVIS
<u>28</u> REV. ANDREW JASPERS	<u>29</u> REV. GLEN JENSON	<u>30</u> REV. JOSEPH JOHNSON	<u>31</u> REV. MICHAEL JOHNSON	<i>For subsequent months or extra copies call or write</i>	<i>Mert Lassonde 20953 Junco Trail Lakeville MN 55044</i>	<i>Phone: 952-683-9294 Email: mertlass@ usfamily.net</i>

**WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?**

## PRAYER SUGGESTION

O Lord, may You find shelter and rest gently within the heart of your priest. Make him, O Lord, a priest according to Your heart: meek, humble, zealous, so that all he does will be for Your honor and glory. Mold him into a man of prayer and labor, insensible to earthly things, and sensible only to Your love and to the graces of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (*Fron Our Lady of the Rosary Library, Prospect, KY*)

# St. Bernard Church—May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 MASS 8AM	4 <b>Out Reach Mass At Ascension-Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:35 with Reconciliation from 5:40-6:05pm. Mass at 6:15pm</b>	3 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AFTER THE 89AM MASS UNTIL 8PM.	4 NO MASS	5 NO MASS	6 Church: Mary Lou Wildung. Narthex: Kooiman, Storms, Hammers
7 ADULT CHOIR LEADS SINGING AT 10AM MASS	8 MASS 8AM	9 <b>Out Reach Mass &amp; Light supper- At Ascension -Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:35pm with Reconciliation from 5:40-6:05pm. Mass at 6:15pm.</b>	10 MASS 8AM	11 NO MASS	12 NO MASS	13 Church: Nancy Elke & Laurel Williams, Narthex: John Eiden
14 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	15 MASS 8AM	16 <b>Out Reach Mass At Ascension-Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:35 with Reconciliation from 5:40-6:05pm. Mass at 6:15pm</b>	17 MASS 8AM	18 NO MASS	19 NO MASS	20 Church: Belinda Storms & Sandy Siegle. Narthex: Hammers
21 FREE SPIRIT CHOIR LEADS SINGING AT 10AM MASS. FIRST COMMUNION	22 MASS 8AM	23 <b>Out Reach Mass At Ascension-Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:35 with Reconciliation from 5:40-6:05pm. Mass at 6:15pm</b>	24 MASS 8AM	25 NO MASS	26 NO MASS	27 Church: Bob Simon. Narthex: Hammers
28	29 MEMORIAL DAY—NO MASS HERE AS MASS IS AT ASCENSION THIS YEAR.	30 <b>Out Reach Mass At Ascension-Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:35 with Reconciliation from 5:40-6:05pm. Mass at 6:15pm</b>	31 MASS 8AM	PARTICIPATION AT MASS IS NOT ONLY SHOWING UP. BUT TO ALSO ANSWER ALL THE	PRAYERS. THE PEOPLES PARTS OF THE MASS ARE IN BOLD LETTERS IN THE MISSALET.	THOSE WHO SING PRAY TWICE. ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN IN SINGING.