

## STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT



### Steering Committee

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*Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you especially for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and hold the promise for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight. Be present with us as we work together: make us responsive to your will and give to us a healthy pride in all we do that we may be good stewards of all things entrusted to us. May the prayers of our patron Bernard help us to keep in mind the wise counsel given long ago "whoever would climb to a lofty height must go by steps, not leaps."*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen*

## Informational Evening

Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00 pm  
at the Parish Center

*Come learn more about the exciting possibilities of Catholic Education at St. Bernard Parish*

The Steering Committee is pleased to announce that preliminary findings by our architectural firm seems to indicate that the parish would have enough land to build a parish campus with a Catholic school on the Davis Property. There is data, based on the Meitler report commissioned by the diocese, that suggests that there is a need and desire of families in South County for Catholic education. There is also anecdotal evidence the committee has collected that shows there is support for a Catholic school at St. Bernard.

What is the next step? That is where you, the parishioner is needed. In order to continue to evaluate the interest and support in the proposal to build a new school, the Steering Committee is inviting you to an *Informational Evening*. Join us to evaluate all the information that the committee has accumulated. Join us to learn more about the mission of Catholic Education. Join us if you are the parent of young children looking for an alternative to public school education. Join us if you want to see how you can support Catholic education. And join us if you just want to learn more about the proposed school at St. Bernard.. We hope to see you there!

### Goals of Catholic Education \*

- ◆ To provide for the development of the whole person: mind, heart, body and soul.
- ◆ To provide for the spiritual and faith formation of students, which means nurturing a real relationship with God through sacraments, prayer and service.
- ◆ To integrate Christian values in all that is being taught.
- ◆ To shape the future society by shaping the outlook of society's future, responsible citizens.
- ◆ To prepare students to bring the principles of truth and justice to the society in which they will live as adults.

\* From the Diocese of Providence School Department