

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The committee has been busy this summer with two main priorities. We have been meeting bi-weekly with Ruotulo Associates to discuss the preliminary plans for the Capital Campaign. The campaign is on track to begin in the Fall. The second priority has been meeting with construction companies to discuss the process of construction management. Last week, the committee met with two representatives of Dimeo Construction Company. One high-tech innovation that Dimeo offers to a building committee is an internet based project management system. This system will enable the committee to access information about the construction site on a daily basis. WOW! A decision will be made soon on the type of project delivery system for our new church project. The next step will be preparing the Request For Proposal which will then be sent to a number of local construction companies.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND ART FOR CATHOLIC WORSHIP

Father Reardon, Michael Viveiros, the architect and committee members, Elizabeth McGrath and Martha Dwyer will be traveling to LA in August to attend the Form/Reform Conference in Hollywood, California. The conference on environment and art for Catholic Worship is put on by the Diocesan Office of Worship Directors. The conference is attended by Pastors, building and liturgy committees, architects, parish staffs, music ministers, artist and crafts people. The conference will address issues related to the building, renovation or restoration of a worship space in light of current church documents. The conference will also feature an exhibit hall with over 100 national and international artists, publishers and supply companies. This will provide a unique opportunity for the four committee members to review all the latest innovations in creating worship space. The plan is to have the participants attend different workshops and then report back to the entire committee about what they have learned.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

The committee is planning on taking a second look at some of the churches that we visited last year. This should be a valuable exercise to help us determine what we would like to include in the new church. Father Peterson has also invited the committee to visit two recent construction projects at PC, the new chapel and some new dormitories.

Full Speed Ahead!



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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