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STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Capital Campaign started out with a bang with a reception and informational meeting at the Davis farmhouse on September 8. At this meeting the co- chairs of the Capital Campaign were introduced to the parishioners who will be working on the campaign. The Co-chairs of the Capital Campaign are Debbie and Al Smith and Elizabeth McGrath. The major gifts chair will be Tom Orsi. Almost everyone in the parish is familiar with long-time parishioners Debbie and Al Smith. Debbie and Al are both lectors at Mass and Al is a member of the choir. Elizabeth McGrath is a newer parishioneer who is a member of the Finance Council and Steering Committee. Tom Orsi is, of course, the Steering Committee's "Fearless Leader". A great team, I think you will agree and you will be hearing lots more from them in the near future!



"Full Speed Ahead"

Steering Committee

Tom Orsi, Chair
Jane Allen
Francis Dwyer
Martha Dwyer
Arlene Gardiner
John Gibbons
Elizabeth McGrath
Walter Pannone
Raymond Vallee

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

Campaign Prayer

*God for all times,
God of every generation,
we praise your loving wisdom.
You have nurtured our growth
and brought us to this moment
bright with the promise of possibility.*

*Proud of our heritage,
firm in our faith,
we are prepared to build our future.
Bless us as we accept your challenge.
Help us to be good stewards
of all you entrust to us.*

*Give us generous hearts
and a spirit willing to sacrifice
that all we do may be to your glory
and the good of our community.*

*As we build a church,
build us up --
your Church made of living stones
with Jesus Christ as our foundation.*

*We make this prayer in his name,
Jesus Christ,
yesterday, today and for ever the same.*

Amen.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Next week the committee will have their first formal design review of the plans which architect, Michael Viveiros has been developing over the past several weeks. Although the committee has seen some conceptual sketches before, this will be the first presentation of formal plans. After all these months of meetings, we finally begin to see the vision take shape!