

CAMPAIGN NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2018

FROM FR. MARIO

Dear Parishioners,

I want to thank everyone who took the time to participate in our campaign planning process through either the planning survey or an in-person interview.

I also want to thank and recognize our building committee for their unending commitment to this parish. Their tireless efforts have created a master plan to address our facility needs and objectives.

I want all parishioners to have a clear understanding of our Church Renovation Project. I will provide opportunities for you to learn more about these projects and have your questions answered. Communication will be a key component of this campaign. I will keep you informed of campaign events.

I will begin with some pre-campaign planning and team building. All are encouraged to join a campaign team. Each team has unique objectives, but with a minimal time commitment.

I would like all parishioners to have a clear understanding of the campaign objectives and progress. Joe Akers and Rebecca Cargill, our campaign consultants from For the Greater, will be working closely with us during the campaign.

Our success will depend on the grace of God. Prayer will be an integral part of this campaign. I ask for you to pray daily for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you so much for your prayers, feedback and support. They are laying the foundation for a bright future here at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament.

God Bless You,

Fr. Mario

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Enthusiastically Proceeds with Capital Campaign

With a committed parish family, forward looking parish leadership and the vision to tackle facility challenges St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament will initiate a comprehensive master plan to update and improve parish facilities. With archdiocesan approval, the parish will proceed with a capital campaign beginning immediately and ending in December.

All parish households were invited to participate in a campaign planning study to share their views on spirituality, vision, campaign projects and process.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PLANNING STUDY INCLUDE:

SPIRITUALITY

Ninety-three percent (93.57%) of those in the study agreed or strongly agreed that St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament is effective in helping them to live their sacramental Catholic faith. The average positive from past client planning studies for this type of question is 81%.

LEADERSHIP

Eighty-seven percent (87.33%) said they are confident in Fr. Mario and the parish lay leaders to make prudent decisions regarding the future of the parish. This compares favorably to a desired threshold of 70% or higher.

PRAYERFUL

Ninety-six percent (96.48%) of parishioners in the study said they would pray for the success of the campaign and the parish.

CAMPAIGN SUPPORT

Seventy-five percent (75.36%) of those surveyed said they would financially support this campaign, 20% need more information or were unsure, while only 4% said no.

Campaign consultant Joe Akers added, "I was impressed with both the enthusiasm and dedication of the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament parishioners. The term family was used by many in describing this parish during our study. As a group, this parish is spiritual, supportive, and willing to get involved. These are things we find in successful campaigns."

The capital campaign formally kicks off on Tuesday, September 18, with a Volunteer Organizational Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, September 18 • 7:00-8:00 pm • Parish Center

Please join us as we kick off our capital campaign on Tuesday, September 18, 7:00-8:00 pm in the Parish Center. You can sign up for a team at the meeting or by contacting one of our team Co-chairs.

PRAYER TEAM

Assists in writing the campaign prayer; considers prayer events and ideas to set the spiritual tone of the campaign.

Co-chairs

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COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

Creates campaign theme and logo, develops plan to communicate information to the parish, including print and social media, power-points, video, etc.

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THANKS TEAM

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EVENTS TEAM

Plans entertaining, informational events giving each parish family the opportunity to learn more about the facility projects and capital campaign objectives.

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YOUTH TEAM

Creates opportunities to connect our parish youth to the campaign and the future of the church.

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AMBASSADORS TEAM

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