NEW DEVELOPMENTS

All Saints is adding New Improvements to the church:

- 1. **PIANO** Thanks to very generous parishioners, who donated a brand-new baby grand piano. Organist, Robby Combs, was away tending to his family since before Coronavirus and has agreed to continue accompany the cantors with more flexible days/hours. When Mr. Combs is not available we'll have a pianist JoAnn Savage accompany our cantors. After the Coronavirus restrictions are over, hopefully early next year, the organ, piano and our guitarist John Leamy will help to greatly enhance the music liturgy. Perhaps we'll eventually get a new choir director and new, additional choir members.
- 2. **65-INCH WALL TV** A new flat screen TV was purchased for the hall and will be installed next week. This will facilitate ZOOM meetings, religious education, Internet/DVD trainings and presentations, and programing/movies for the parishioners.
- 3. **OFFICE WALL PARTITION** Due to the busyness of the office, there will be a new interior wall, window and door between the secretary/reception and bookkeeping areas. This work should be complete before the year's end. Also, due to the recent increase in the Covid-19 cases, we'll be using increased stringent safety guidelines in the office, including a plexi-glass desk-shield. All papers that were in the church vestibule will be 'handled' in the office.
- 4. **CATECHISM REMODEL** Another generous donor has given the parish funds for cottage 4 interior upgrades for children's religious education. The work will include some electrical/lighting and plumbing fixture upgrades, countertops, paint, flooring and new seating and TV & DVD player. Hopefully the inside work will start this winter when the contractor is more available.
- 5. **SOUND SYSTEM** Last year All Saints raised so far, \$8,000, for a new sound system. Shortly before the Coronavirus began, a small committee had been researching designs with cost proposals from various contractors/vendors. The pandemic caused us to delay but recently the design work has resumed, hoping to come to a decision early in 2021 and be installed by this summer.
- 6. **STAIN GLASS WINDOWS** Parishioners have expressed interest in a partial donation toward the completion of the stain glass windows at All Saints with a memorial for their loved ones. Currently, I'm developing design work and researching artisans/vendors and costs. Once we come up with designs and costs, we'll provide a 'mock-up' rendition for the three windows and begin a fundraiser campaign in the Spring of 2021. Hopefully the windows can be installed by the end of that year.

Congratulations to our children's Baptisms and First Holy Communions earlier this Fall and coming this weekend. The prayers of the All Saints and St. Joseph parish community are with you.

If you have any questions or comments, please give me a call anytime at the office. My prayers are with you.

With Every Good Wish and Blessing,

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