

Fr. Jeff I want to begin this monthly letter with a special thank you to everyone for your prayers, concern and all the help that you have given me over the past two months. I began to feel out of sorts right after Memorial Day and the doctors have been diligently working on me ever since! There are certainly challenges of different kinds for us all. I never expected to end up in the hospital twice in a month! Of course, we must turn to God and place our trust in Him as we move forward, and by God's grace I have been able to do what needs to be done with the help I have received.

Trustee and Treasurer positions Special thanks and congratulations to our new Pastoral Council members. Our new members are Julie Barkow-Peck, Gary Jensen, John Gomez, and Sue Scharmach. Our Trustees are going to be Grace Elliott and Doug Barnes. All have served in leadership positions with our former parishes and with MPH since the merger of July 2018. I look forward to working with them as our transition process continues over the next several months.

St. Aloysius Property The parish just received an offer to purchase the property on 92nd Street. **It includes ALL the Parish buildings at that site; the School, Hall/Gym, the Church, and the Rectory.** The offer is under our original asking price, but it is a good offer and the group making the proposal has secured their financing. At this point, two things will happen:

1) A proxy to receive the offer has been prepared for those involved in the process of the potential sale. This includes the Archbishop, the COO, the Chancellor and Attorney for the Diocese. The Pastoral Council and Finance Council will continue to offer their feedback. If the offer is found to be satisfactory, the Archbishop will give us permission to proceed or suggest further recommendations. If that happens, the same process will be repeated with the counteroffer going back to the group proposing the purchase.

2) If the Archbishop chooses to accept the term of the deal, permission is given to the Pastor to move ahead with a closing date. Following the sale we will plan a closing Mass at the site, the 7 PM Mass on Sunday Evening will move to the 106th Street site and we will vacate the buildings soon after.

We hope that the initial part of the process will be done by the end of the first week of November. If everything works out, the final celebration and farewell to the site might happen shortly after Christmas.

This is a significant and necessary development for the future of the Parish. As decisions are made, we will continue to share any news with you. Thank you for making this journey with us and let us all pray for the best possible outcome.
Fr. Jeff