



EXPANSION/REMODELING OF SAINT AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH AND PARISH HALL

TO OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS

As the Pastoral Council of Saint Augustine's, it is our responsibility and duty to plan for the future and well-being of our Parish Community. We achieve this goal through thoughtful and prayerful study of the needs and desires of our community and Pastor. After serious consideration of future trends in parish demographics with serious consideration of the current economic situation, we thoughtfully recommend the immediate planning for future expansion and renovation of Saint Augustine's Parish Church and Hall.

CHURCH AND PARISH HALL BUILDING EXPANSION PROPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS:

WHY EXPAND/RENOVATE?

1. Existing church building, parish hall kitchen and classrooms are inadequate to meet the needs of our current congregation.
2. Parish population continues to grow.
3. The capacity of our existing facilities has been reached and better utilization of our church hall and classrooms is necessary to accommodate our people especially during peak use times.
4. To bring the church, restrooms, parish hall kitchen, and religious education classrooms up to code and in compliance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements.

Major Needs identified:

- The Church area is inadequate during peak services and large celebrations. (Currently the hall must serve as an overflow area utilizing a video and speaker system which is unacceptable for liturgical worship).
- Additional classrooms and a social area are needed to accommodate our youth programs.
- Renovation of our restrooms is needed to accommodate more people and those with special needs.

- The parish hall kitchen needs renovating to accommodate events in a safe and efficient manner. Additional storage areas are also needed.
- We need to hold multiple programs on the same night which we don't currently have because of limited space.
- We need a children's nursery for use during mass and other parish events.
- We need to establish an ad-hoc building committee to study, plan and project building feasibility and cost estimates and a plan to raise the funds necessary.

ONE POSSIBLE VISION:

Enclose existing courtyard area between the church and parish hall with a facility or building that connects the existing church and hall. Substitute the existing church walls adjacent to the courtyard with expanding, movable walls that can be opened or closed during services and events. This would give us a multi-purpose area that would expand the church depending on the needs at any given time and would include space for a religious article store and church library.

For more information or to give input,
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