

## Saint Bartholomew Parish Community

### Saving Our Parish Community Center

#### *“A Gift from Our Past...A Legacy for Our Future”*

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#### *Your Time & Talents are needed...*

This is **Volunteer Weekend**, and we thank all of you who filled out a card indicating you would like to lend your talents to the “*Saving Our Parish Community Center – A Gift from Our Past...A Legacy for Our Future*” effort. Some highlights about the role of a volunteer:

- The time commitment is **just six weeks**, from November 4th - December 16th. **A Volunteer Orientation meeting will be held Wednesday, November 4th at 7:45 P.M. in the Media Center.**
- It's a *great way to meet many of your fellow parishioners and enjoy the spirit of a team effort* while working towards the goals of this campaign.

If you would like to learn more about the campaign and how you could assist, please contact any of our Leadership Committee members, Fr. Healy, or the Parish Office (347-0701). Please join us!

#### *Take a look at the display in the Vestibule...*

After Mass, we encourage you to drop by the display table the Leadership Committee has set up in the Vestibule. Included are renderings of the renovated facility, a Question & Answer sheet, and related information. The display will be in the Vestibule after Mass each week, so we urge you to take a look.

#### *Questions & Answers...*

- Q. What is the difference between our “*Saving Our Parish Community Center*” campaign gifts and the Capital Maintenance Fund?**
- A.** “*A Gift from Our Past...A Legacy for Our Future*” will address our Parish Community Center’s very urgent, critical needs. The Capital Maintenance Fund, on the other hand, is designed to ensure that there is money available for the *ongoing capital needs* of all our facilities. Since “*A Gift from Our Past...A Legacy for Our Future*” is currently our parish priority, the Capital Maintenance Fund has been suspended for the time being.
- Q. How extensively is the Parish Center used currently?**
- A.** We are a very vibrant worship community - there are approximately **50 clubs and organizations**, and **over 350 children** participate in our Religious Education programs. The Parish Center is the site where most of these clubs and classes convene; if we do not address the Center’s needs, it could become unusable; without it, the essence of our parish life - and mission - could cease.