

Saving Our Parish Community Center

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

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Current Uses of Our Parish Community Center...

We are a very vibrant worship community – there are approximately **50 clubs and organizations at St. Bart’s**, and **over 350 children participate in our Religious Education programs**. The Parish Community Center is the site where most of these clubs and classes convene; **if we don’t address the Center’s needs, it may become unusable**. Should that occur, the essence of our parish life - and mission - could cease. Our clubs and organizations include:

Altar Servers	Eucharistic Adoration	Movie Night
Altar Society	Eucharistic Ministers	Pastoral Council
Angels with Wheels	Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick	Post-Abortion Healing
Art and Environment	Faith Formation	RCIA
Baptism Team	Festival Choir	Respect Life
Bible Study	Filipino Ministry	Retreat Leaders
Bingo	Finance Committee	Roamers
Book Group	Friendship Club	Samaritan House
Bridge for Fun	Grief Support Ministry	Sandwich Sunday
Buildings and Grounds	Habitat for Humanity	Second Harv. Food Bank
Catechists	Hospitality Coffee & Donuts	Social Justice
Catholics Returning Home	Hospitality/Welcoming	Song Leaders
Children’s Choir	Hospitality Ushers	Spiritual Direction
Children’s Liturgy of the Word	Jesus, Mary, & Joseph Prayer Group	Stewardship
Circle of Concern	Lectors	St. Vincent de Paul
Contemporary Choir	Marriage Preparation	Support Network
Craft Night	Men’s Club	Women’s Guild
Divorced & Separated Support Group	Men’s Prayer Group	Women’s Prayer Group
Doers & Goers		Youth Group

In addition, over the years we have donated our Parish Community Center to many non-profit organizations, enabling them to serve our greater Christian community. Some of these include PIA (Peninsula Interfaith Action), the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Archdiocese of San Francisco, and our immediate neighbors, St. Matthew’s School and Parish and Serra High School.

Questions & Answers...

Q. *What are the Center’s most urgent needs?*

A. **The most urgent needs include the following:**

- Repair & replace the *exit balconies and structure below*
- Replace the exterior windows & doors – *many are rotting and leaking*
- Reconfigure and upgrade the restrooms – *several of the toilets no longer work*
- Seismically upgrade the Center – *the north extension is not earthquake safe*
- Provide the necessary *space and infrastructure for a new Kitchen*
- Upgrade the entry walkways outside the Parish Hall – *there is serious vertical dry rot and this has been leaking for years. In addition, the front walkway is uneven and a hazard*
- *Repave the parking lots*