

Strategic Planning Committee Parish Hall Meeting

St. Nicholas held a parish meeting on Sunday, January 4, 2009 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. There were approximately 40 people in attendance.

Roger Hayes presented current and long term goals and objectives that had previously been discussed at the Strategic Planning Committee meetings.

Jack Faber and Ron Steinhart with Hafer & Associates presented proposed drawings of ideas that have been expressed for future planning of the church.

Questions were addressed after all information was presented. A few of the concerns presented were as follows;

1. With the recent closing of parishes, do we proceed on a project such as this?
2. What is the proposed square footage of the addition?
3. Will we have chairs or benches when changes made?
4. Concern whether the floor will be slanted; they feel this is a hazard
5. Concerns re: handicap accessibility and seating
6. Will there be canopies or such as, for inclement weather conditions?
7. Location of Baptism font
8. Concerns of the new addition being large enough
9. Is it constructed for meetings to be held from outside organizations?
10. How soon do we start?
11. Can we get sketches of the exterior of the Church?
12. Start fundraising now
13. It was addressed that we have "Building Fund" envelopes, can these be stressed to the parishioners to start using these?
14. Concerns of building at this time with the state of the economy

In summary, the committee members felt the meeting went well, there were positive comments and excitement by many. Bill Cherolis will have the Power Point Presentation on the St. Nicholas Web Site for anyone to review.



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Please note that the long term issues and possible solutions presented here are just in the discussion phase and the course of action has not been decided. As always, we ask for your comments and suggestions.



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Fr. John Brosmer, Terry Wagner, Pat Koch,
Wayne Brinkman, Terry Tischendorf,
Kelly Greulich, Roger Hayes,
Dave Grundhoefer, Sonya Webb,
Jennifer Neff, Bill Cherolis, Mike Schriefer

Current Situation



- Number of Parish Members – 739
- Number of Families – 241
- Church Maximum Seating – 350
- Lower Level Seating – ~ 200
- Total Number of Children - 207
- Number of Classrooms - 6

Current Situation

Cont.



- 1 Staff member + 1 Volunteer in Office
- Office Area Inadequate
- Vacant Corner Lot
- Handicap Accessibility Issues
- Kitchen Facilities Insufficient
- Need of Narthex
- Lack of Storage Space

Key Success Factors

- Fr. John Brosmer
- Good Staff
- Warm, Friendly & Inviting Parish
- Many Activities
- Young Families
- Open to Growth & Change
- Good Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure





Objectives – Short Term



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- Marketing and Communication
 - Education
 - Evangelization
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Marketing & Communication Objectives

- Design a Sign for the Church Property
- Design an Advertising Program - Realtors
- Develop a Personal Visitation Program
- Implement a Road Sign Program



Marketing & Communication

Objectives – Cont.

- Mass Mailing using E-Mail & Web Site
- Develop a Radio Ad Program
- Youth Ministry Program Implementation
- Develop Brochures, Flyers & Banners to promote St. Nicholas Church
- Develop a Billboard for Corner Lot



St. Nicholas Sign Improvement



Objectives – Long Term



- Develop a Facilities Program that will allow us to meet our Future Requirements
- Hire an Architectural Firm to perform a Feasibility Study
- 80% of Parishioners Support Facility Improvements (% of Surveys Returned)

Facilities Vision



- 8-10 Classrooms – Seating 20-25 each
- Narthex - Sacristy
- Activity Center - Accommodate ~ 500 with Commercial Kitchen
- Expansion of Parking
- 4-5 Offices with a Conference room for meetings
- Sufficient Storage Space
- Increase Seating in Church

Architect

- Hafer Associates
 Jackson R. Faber
 Ron Steinhart
 Evansville, IN

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