

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

Seventh Sunday of Easter – May 24, 2020

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9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
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(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

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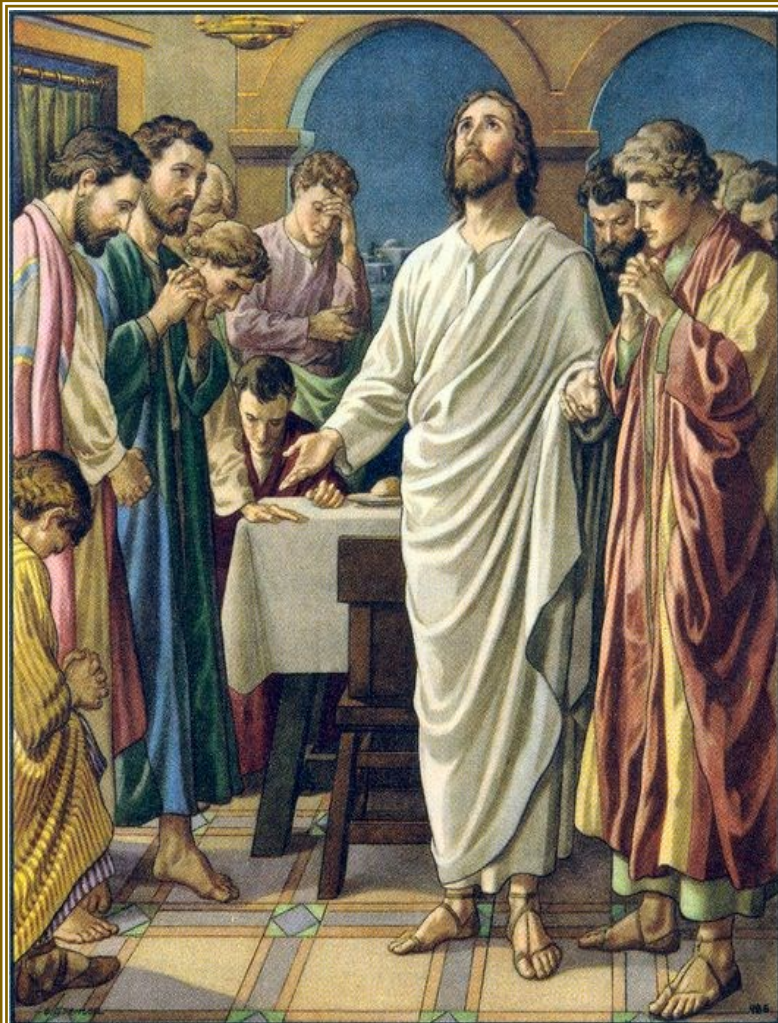
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Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said,
“Father, the hour has come.

Give glory to your son,
so that your son may glorify you,
just as you gave him authority over all people,
so that your son may give eternal
life to all you gave him.”

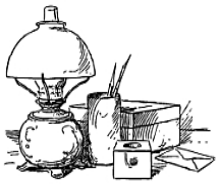


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A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

Once again, I hope you have had a safe week.

I write this week on behalf of the Steering Committee of our Parish Capital Campaign. At our recent Zoom meeting, it was agreed to give you an update on the campaign.

Three years ago, the parish had an engineering study of all of the capital improvements which needed to be addressed on our property. The estimation from that study was that we needed about \$2 million dollars' worth of repairs to the church, Carr Hall, and the parish buildings which we rent to Women of Hope, the Augustinian Volunteers, and to the Veterans Multi-Service Center. We also had a feasibility study done which estimated we realistically could raise about \$750,000. With these two pieces of information, we set a goal to raise \$750,000 in three years. We are thrilled to inform you that as of today we have close to 200 pledges amounting to over \$707,000 or 94% of our goal. We are confident we will reach the goal shortly. Also, we want to express our gratitude for all of you who continue to honor your pledges during this pandemic, certainly a very unusual and challenging time.

I also am happy to inform you that the three provinces of the Augustinian community in the United States have contributed a total of \$210,000 of this \$707,000. This reflects the commitment the Augustinians have to the first place we came to in this country in 1796.

In order that you can be well informed, we are attaching two updates: one is a financial update explaining the sources of the income as well as the expenses. The second attachment is an update of the projects accomplished, as well as those about to take place and the ones that need to be addressed in the future. We hope you are as pleased as we are at all that has been completed in the past three years.

We now need to move into the next stage of the campaign where we will be seeking funds from foundations, local businesses, and grants to help us fund the remaining projects. If you have any expertise (grant writing, connections with potential businesses, connections with foundations, corporate sponsorships, etc.), we would certainly appreciate your help. If you would be willing to help us in the next phase (maybe being a resource for us or being part of a taskforce or a member the Steering Committee), please contact me to talk about this possibility.

After you review the two attached updates, if you have any observations, questions or recommendations, please contact me at pastorstagustine@gmail.com or 215-627-1838, ext. 110.

A great deal has taken place in the past three years. I am very grateful to the members of the Steering Committee who have guided this incredible enterprise. Most of all, I am grateful to you, our parishioners, who have supported us so generously and of course I am eternally grateful to our God, the source of all good things.

I hope you find this update helpful, informative and encouraging.

Fr. Bill for the Steering Committee.....

Gerry and Kathy Rigby, Co-Chairpersons of the Committee

Fran Richards

Melissa Huggins

Rene Quinlan

Jacob Marquart, O.F.S.

Fr. Bill

St. Augustine R. C. Church

Status Report Capital Campaign As of May 20, 2020

Pledges Received To Date:	199	\$707,758.50	94.3678%
Pledge Income Received:			\$533,911.88
Interest Earned:			\$550.17
June 1 st , 2019 Villanova Ticket Income			\$15,700.00
June 1 st , 2019 Ad Book Income & Sponsorship			\$18,450.00
June 1 st , 2019 Auction			\$6,100.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$574,712.05
Expenses:			
Printing & Video Production		\$2,205.00	
Meeting Expenses		\$1,325.76	
Administration -2018,2019,2020		\$25,000.00	
Online Giving Fees		\$2,729.37	
Stock Commission		\$50.00	
Heater Conversion 259 Building		\$46,532.20	
Engineering & Feasibility Studies		\$31,400.00	
Partners Campaign Contract		\$60,000.00	
Church Bathrooms Upgrades		\$9,924.69	
Windows 251 Building		\$115,065.90	
Video Monitor Rental		\$615.50	
LED Light Bulbs (Rec'd rebate of \$955)		\$1,115.97	
Two Church Skylight Replacements		\$29,400.00	
Transfer to Preservation Fund		\$8,000.00	
Restoration of Crucifixion Tableau & Scaffolding		\$35,634.83	
Postage (mailing for June 1 st event)		\$202.00	
June 1 st Gala Expenses		\$715.86	
Securing the Stations of the Cross		\$2,000.00	
Tower Façade Repairs		\$16,500.00	
Total expenses to date:			\$388,417.08
Cash Balance:			\$186,294.97
Reserved Funds:			
Pew Restoration (Reserved Fund)		\$50,000.00	
Steeple Louvers - Total cost \$67,659.00*		\$62,366.00	
			\$112,366.00
Available Cash			\$73,928.97

Note: In-Kind Contributions: \$10,437.71

* \$5,293.00 coming Preservation Fund

Capital Campaign

Proceeds from the campaign will be used for:

Projects completed:

- ◆ Conversion from oil to natural gas heating in a Parish Building
- ◆ Complete renovation of two church bathrooms
- ◆ Conversion of church lighting to LED lighting
- ◆ Window replacement "East" side (Parish Building)
- ◆ Window replacement "West" side (Parish Building)
- ◆ Preservation Account Initiated
- ◆ Securing the Stations of the Cross
- ◆ Two Church skylights replacement
- ◆ Wheelchair Accessible Bathroom
- ◆ Restoration of the crucifixion tableau

Projects beginning soon:

- ◆ Church steeple louvers replacement

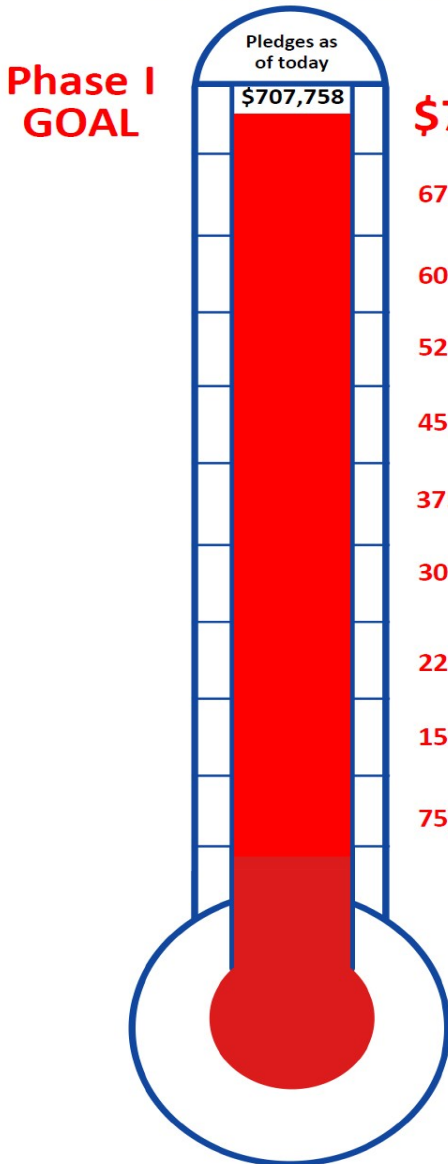
Projects planned:

- ◆ Fire Alarm System Upgrade
- ◆ Church Pew Restoration
- ◆ Automatic Openers for Side Doors
- ◆ Artwork assessment
- ◆ Façade restoration (brick repointing)

Projects Long-Term:

- ◆ Artwork restoration (Eight St. Augustine Lunettes)
- ◆ Frescoes restoration
- ◆ Carr Hall refurbish of bathrooms, floor and kitchen

Need \$2.1 Million



Cracking & repointing of brickwork



Fire Alarm System Upgrade



Cracked & Scratched Pews



Deteriorated Steeple Louvers



Paint Flaking on a Number of Frescoes



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