

St. John the Baptist Church

Report to Commissions Mark Dittman, Parish Business Administrator

June 8, 2016

1. **Close the Gap.** Our Close the Gap appeal has brought in \$117,651 through May 31! (This number includes the \$50,000 match.) *Thank you* to our many generous parishioners! Watch for a report in the near future on the impact of this generosity to our bottom line.

OSMG Capital. Parishioner gifts in May will enable us to pay \$5,184 in additional principle in June. (Our monthly principle & interest payment is \$20,700.) Our debt balance at the end of May was \$1.470 million. Thank you for your continuing generosity!

2. **Capital projects.** Below are updates on the capital projects being planned or under way.

Church & St. Joseph Hall lighting. Work in St. Joseph's Hall is substantially complete. Work in the church is now getting underway.

Cemetery columbarium. The design input phase has passed. Our architect is now working on a more final plan.

School security. This project is moving forward and will be completed this summer. The primary impacts will be on the entrance to the Parish Center lower level in St. Paul Plaza, all of the doors in the stairwell that adjoins the Parish Center and the school, and both elevators. Rather than relocate ministries out of the Parish Center's lower level during the school day, we will establish security protocols for allowing people into the space for specific ministry purposes. We plan to take this approach starting with the new school year and evaluate throughout the year.

Elevator repair. Repairs will take place this summer. Both elevators will be down for up to one week. Affected ministries and people will be informed of the timing of the repair.

3. **FallFest 2016: September 24/25.** Our next planning meeting is June 28. We have several new volunteers, but assistance in planning is still needed; please contact Mark Dittman or our co-chairs Deb and Brad Kuglin (763-786-1448) if you are interested.

Thank you for your generous service to St. John the Baptist!

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