

**St. Joseph Catholic Church  
Building Expansion Team**

**September 23, 2012**

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

On August 26, 2012 the Expansion Team and Architect Dan Brewer presented the Parish Life Center concept that was developed from all the suggestions given to us by the congregation. Thirty nine households attended the presentation that included a 3D view of the outside, floor plan for the parish life center, recommended changes to the current building, and the estimated construction cost. As conceived, the new parish life center and offices is about 12,000 square feet and when combined with our existing building we would have a total of about 18,000 square feet. The sanctuary would seat 300 people and the parish life center would seat 300 plus for meals. The estimated project construction cost is about \$2.2 million dollars.

Attendees were given a questionnaire to complete at the conclusion of the meeting. One of the questions specifically asked the attendees if they were in favor of having the parish move ahead with the concept as that was presented. Specifically this meant asking the Diocese for approval of the overall plan and launching a fund raising drive. The results were 82% said yes, 5% said no and 13% abstained. Comments returned on the questionnaire included project costs, overall size, kitchen, ability to fund the project and some others.

The presentation will be repeated after mass on September 30 and October 7. If you were not able to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> presentation, please try to attend one of these important sessions as we work to set the stage for the future of St. Joseph Parish.

May God bless us as we move forward in the expansion process!

Bill Donaldson