



As you know, during the week of May 3, the Financial Feasibility Study on a new church was conducted for our parish by Federico Associates. The Study is now completed and will be presented to the parish at a meeting to be held on June 23 at 7:00 PM in the Church. Displaying the pictures in church has generated good discussion and excitement among our parishioners. All are invited to come to the meeting to hear the results of the study.

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As you know this past year was designated by the Holy Father as *The Year of Saint Paul*. It has been a year which made us very aware of the importance of Saint Paul in the life of the early Church and for us in the Church today. Paul taught us how to be Christian in an unchristian world.

In order to encourage priests in striving for spiritual perfection, on which above all, the effectiveness of their ministry depends, Pope Benedict XVI has decided to establish a special ***Year for Priests*** that will begin this week on June 19, 2009 and end on June 19, 2010. This year coincides with the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of the Holy Cure of Ars, Saint John Mary Vianney. Saint John Vianney is the patron saint of parish priests and was a true example of a pastor at the service of Christ's flock.

I ask you in this year to pray for priests especially your parish priests here at Saint Joseph. We are called to strive for holiness while at the same time devoting our energies to serve you with all we have. Our priesthood is a life filled with joys and challenges. It is humbling to realize how God uses us as His instruments to come to His people. Below is a prayer I ask you to pray for us each day in this ***Year for Priests***.

*God Bless You All!*

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