



I wish to provide an update in this column on the work of the Church Exploratory committee. In my December 14, 2008 column, I reported that the result of the architectural feasibility study was that the difference in costs for a renovated/expanded church and a new church were minimal. Given the results of this study and upon consultation with the Parish Pastoral Council, the Finance Council and the Stewardship Committee, I agreed with the recommendation that it is good stewardship to examine further the possibility of a new church. As I said then, the current economic situation of the times must also be taken into consideration as we move forward and will determine the rate at which this process moves.

I reported the next steps in the process are two-fold: 1) a Financial Feasibility Study must be done to consult with and determine the level of support among the parishioners; and 2) a complete set of architectural renderings must be completed for review by parishioners during the Financial Feasibility Study.

The Church Exploratory Committee has been working with Casaccio Architects and will begin meeting with them next week to develop the complete set of architectural drawings to be presented to parishioners for review. I am pleased to announce that Federico Associates has been retained to conduct the Financial Feasibility Study for the parish. Federico Associates are based in Chester County and have vast experience in conducting such studies. We will no doubt gain an accurate reading of our ability to enter into this project.

These past two weekends our Saturday evening Mass and several Sunday morning Masses have been filled to overflowing. The number of new parishioners and parishioners attending Mass each week continues to increase. It is a wonderful sight to behold and a good gage of the vibrancy of the parish. We want to remain a welcoming community of faith and need to continue to plan responsibly for the future of our parish.

Please pray for the work of the committee and that the Holy Spirit will guide our efforts and that whatever we do will be for the good of the people of our parish and for the greater honor and glory of God.

God Bless You All!

Monsignor Lynn

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