

Update!

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What is a Church?

The basis for a great church is a community of believers, who join together to praise and worship our Lord, Jesus Christ. It is *the people*, who come together each weekend to attend Holy Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist. It is our efforts to make the world a better place, through *Stewardship* and the use of *Grace, Gratitude*, and *Generosity*. It is evidenced in how we support others at Thanksgiving, through our quarterly gift giving to those in need, and supporting the missions and those facing disasters.

It is our joining in "Growing in Faith Together" through adult and children's Faith Formation, through prayer groups, youth group activities and through Bible Study. It is the Love and Caring that we show at times of both joy and sorrow. It is the excitement at celebrations of First Communions, Baptisms, and Weddings. It is the support we give each other at a time of the loss of a loved one, joining in the Funeral Liturgy and the luncheon to celebrate a fellow parishioner's life.

It is *Fellowship*, joining together with each other as our *St. John Vianney* Parish Family, after the Masses each weekend, at Soup Suppers, and on Donut Sundays. It is the fellowship before Masses when we welcome each other and tell each other how glad we are to join together as a Parish Community.

It is also *the physical place where we come to worship* our Lord. All of the above activities need a physical space so we the people can enjoy and celebrate our faith in a great place.

Be Prepared! Please see the Announcement on the reverse side of this bulletin insert for the Kick Off of our Capital Campaign,

"Building a Brighter Future".

Next weekend, September 23 and 24, 2017 is the Kickoff for the "Building a Brighter Future" Capital Campaign for St. John Vianney Parish Community

This Capital Campaign will ask each and every member of *St. John Vianney* to support the 3-year pledge campaign. *The hope is for 100% participation*. The capital campaign pledge period is January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020.

During the past few weeks we have shared information about the improvements that will be made to our parish center and parking lot. These items need to be attended to and reconciled. Fellow parishioners will make contact with parish members starting on Monday, September 18, 2017. They will be asking each member to pray for the success of the campaign, and will make appointments to review the case study, answer questions, and ask for pledges to support the "Building a Brighter Future" Capital Campaign.

This is our parish. We are the people of St. John Vianney Parish Community. This is the place where we come to *Gray*, to *Worship*, and to *Graise* and *Honor* our Lord. Please join with others to support this time to improve our parish.

May God Bless each of you!

Campaign Prayer

Almighty Father, you blessed your people most abundantly through the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, who offered his Body and Blood



as the source of eternal life. Bless us as we continue to do your work at St. John Vianney, especially during the Building a Brighter Future Capital Campaign. Help us to invest in our future, providing for our community dedicated to the sacrifice of your Son. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

AMEN