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Over 50 attended our Kick Off Dinner for our “Home Improvement Campaign.” This is a campaign to raise an additional \$150,000 over and above our pledges toward our annual fund.

- ◇ The first thing a successful fund drive will do is stabilize our finances for the next five years. This allows us to accept a gift of \$300,000 given by Al and Lucia Delchamps and family toward the building of a new parish hall. This is a dedicated gift separate from the “Home Improvement Campaign.”

Financial Foundation.

- ◇ The first element of the plan will allow us to meet our financial obligations. Our income is not sufficient to meet our commitments. As we grow our pledges grow and we will become self sufficient. For now, we need this fund to pay our mortgage, clergy, and other operating expenses.

Emergency Fund.

- ◇ Thus fund is just what it sounds like. Like any family we need something in savings for when something breaks or an unplanned expense happens. For instance. last year we needed almost \$7,000 to replace the air conditioner in the parish house.

Other Physical Improvements.

- ◇ We recently had a small survey which was e-mailed and available at the church. From the survey, we find that people feel we need a new playground, some help with the sound in the worship space, a columbarium, and some landscaping on that hill behind the altar windows. After we began to secure our financial footing, we will begin to address these needs from the fund.

Our Goal

Is to secure \$150,000 in the next three years. We are asking that you continue to prayerfully tithe or give whatever percentage of the tithe you are able for day to day church operations. In addition, to consider what sacrificial giving you might be able to give for the next three years in order to maintain and grow our mission and ministry.