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Construction Update & Holy Week March 17, 2016

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Members of the Parish,

We begin the solemn week of Jesus' passion and death on Sunday with our Palm Sunday celebration. I hope you will be able to join us for the Holy Week liturgies: Holy Thursday at 7 pm, Good Friday at 3 pm, Holy Saturday at 8 pm. Remember: there is no Mass next Saturday at 5 pm.

An additional word of thanks for those who were so generous for our Bishop's Annual Appeal. We have received \$209,575 [112% of goal] from 679 [45%] parish members. I talked to Bishop Burbidge this past week, and he asked me to convey his thanks to our parish for all we have done for the BAA.

The contractors have begun to move dirt to provide the flat area for the church foundation. There is still a good bit of earth to move from one place to another to provide the foundation area and the parking areas.

Soon I will prepare an explanation of the church project which is now under construction. In order to begin construction we had to defer and eliminate some aspects of the total project. We surely want to put them back in when we have additional funds.

So far 53% of the parish has contributed to our church building. A gift or pledge from the remaining 47% would more than complete the project as planned. New pledges are welcome or members of the parish can use the

envelope in the monthly envelope mailing. This envelope is currently pink, but soon it will change to green to reflect the reality of where we are now.

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StMM Spring Festival



Fun for the whole family will take place on **Friday**, **April 15th**, **from 3:00pm**-**7:00pm** (rain or shine) on the athletic fields and parking lot. There will be more than 10 inflatables for all ages, a rock wall, jousting, sports games, plus lots more! All rides and games are included with admission. Food will be available for purchase.

Wristbands can be purchased for \$10 per child after all Masses the weekend of April 9th and 10th, or for \$12 at the door. Wristband purchase includes unlimited rides and games! Adults and children ages 2 and under are free. We need volunteers! Sign up at <u>http://www.signupgenius.com</u> /go/20f0b4aaa82a1-2016. Contact Anne Burge at <u>anneburge143@gmail.com</u> with any questions. Hope to see you there for lots of fun and fellowship!

2015 Tax Statements

Tax statements are now available online. Click on the link below which will take you to the instructions on how to obtain your statement. If you do not have access to the internet or have any problems, please contact Kathy Lynch at 919-657-4800 ext. 7281 or lynch@stmm.net

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