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First Communion, Confirmation & A Goose April 28, 2016

A Note From Father Donald Staib

Members of the Parish,

The first part of our class of 137 parish children received the Eucharist last weekend and the second half will be this coming weekend. Here are the children's banners hung to celebrate their great moment.



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This Friday we will welcome Bishop Michael Burbidge who will confer the sacrament of Confirmation on 112 of our young people. May the Holy Spirit stay with them all their lives.

And so many thanks to the parish staff and parish volunteers who have helped to

prepare for these days of sacramental celebration.

For Those Less Fortunate

At Masses last weekend I used the words *'we have it good and I know it.'* I had not actually put the words in my notes, but they came to me spontaneously. Maybe the Holy Spirit is telling me to be more grateful for the blessings we enjoy and to realize there are many less fortunate in our world.

Last weekend we had one of our national and annual collections, this time for the Home Missions. We received \$3,129; many thanks.

This weekend we will take a non-scheduled 2nd collection for those people in Ecuador who have suffered from the earthquakes. Earthquakes are among the most frightening events in people's lives. I have seen recent reports of the suffering that continues in Nepal. People still do not have homes to return to.

Who Told the Geese?

One of the requirements we have for the new construction is to provide a water retention pond. Someone told a pair of geese and they have come to take up residence. This is Mr. Goose who has made himself at home on the construction site and on our campus; Mrs. Goose is in an undisclosed location sitting on her eggs which are expected to hatch in a week or so. The nest is safe for now, but it is in one of our future parking spaces.



New Church

The first batch of cinder blocks has arrived on the construction site. They will be placed on the foundation cement and we will begin to see them protrude from the ground.





We recall Jesus words in Matthew's Gospel: "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock."

We continue to look to those who have never given or pledged to the new church to help us pay for the cement and cinder blocks which is the foundation. Also, the new Chapel is in our plans, but it is not in the budget. If you have not yet done so, please help us with a gift/pledge at this time of opportunity

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