



RE-IMAGINING

So, what's happened over the past year?

What were we thinking? A year ago in this newsletter preceding Lent, there was an announcement of “a new process of study and imagining” initiated by the Pastoral Council regarding the renovation of our church’s interior.

It was announced that Fr. Frank Corradi, a senior priest of our diocese with extensive liturgical background, would guide the process, which would include studying the U.S. Bishops’ teaching document of church design and construction, *Built of Living Stones*, as well as visiting other churches that might offer insights as to how we could best proceed.

As indicated in that update, particular study and conversation would be directed toward a stronger connection between the baptismal font and the altar, as well as a desire for greater unity among worshipers within the body of the church.

That February 2019 update concluded by reporting that the newly established subcommittee intended to make a recommendation by April — of last year!

Indeed, what were we thinking? Or, what was I thinking? Our study committee has done its work well, and good things take as long as they take. The design firm enlisted by the parish in the fall has made a recommendation and it is being reviewed and discussed by the Pastoral and Finance councils and Sacred Worship Committee. These have been lively and constructive deliberations.

It is our intention to be ready to present a concrete and, we think, intriguing and beneficial plan at a series of parish meetings in late spring or early summer. And this year we mean it! I hope. **TL**

