

## **Building Project Update 7/28/2019**

Clonmelians,

Our parish building committee met for the first time this past Monday evening. They will be meeting once per month as we collect data from a demographics study, a facilities assessment, and our structural and electrical assessments (already completed). Committee members are available to all parishioners to receive your feedback, comments, ideas, and suggestions. They may not always have immediate answers but are available to listen and to pass along your comments for consideration. The following themes came from our first building committee meeting:

1. It is important that we honor the accomplishments of those who worked hard to provide for our families and our community in the past.
2. The committee is determined to do ever thing it can to include everyone in the process of the project, leaving no person feeling left out.
3. It is important to address our church building concerns and needs. We are committed to not walking away due to obstacles or resistance, but rather to view this process as an opportunity for growth personally and as a community.
4. Embarking upon this process should be seen as a grateful response to God's generosity toward us. It is our desire to care for God's house and to assure that it is an inviting place for others to encounter Him.
5. We committed to maintaining elements of our current church, including Its small, community feeling and our statues.

Committee members were asked to give thought to the Master Plan for the parish campus over the next 30-60-90 years. At our next meeting members will propose possible items for inclusion in that Master Plan.

Fr. Joe