

Greetings, Little Flower Community,

As you may remember, from the letter I sent in late April, the Little Flower Building Committee has been proceeding with plans for improvements to our Little Flower campus, in collaboration with V3 Studios (an architectural firm). Great progress has been made through the design phase and the **Infrastructure Improvements** planned include:

- mechanical upgrades for airflow and circulation
- electrical infrastructure installation for a new intercom system
- new entrance and lobby
- ADA compliant restroom
- new kitchen to better serve our community events

These improvements were approved by Archbishop Rozanski, via Rev. Msgr. Dennis Stehly and in coordination with Mr. Tom DuBois of the Archdiocese Building and Real Estate Office. To view a recent copy of the improvement plans, please visit <u>littleflowerstl.org/LittleFlowerBequestProjects</u>.

On August 18, 2021, Archbishop Rozanski distributed a letter to <u>all</u> parishes in the Archdiocese announcing "a 2-year moratorium on priest assignments/transfers and capital improvements." Archbishop Rozanski intends for this to be the start of a 2-year strategic planning process that will shape the Archdiocese for the next century. This moratorium includes projects for which funds have already been designated (including our Campus Improvement Project).

Even though a moratorium has been issued, we are working to move forward with some of our plans. Since receipt of the Archbishop's letter, the Building Committee has been coordinating with V3 Studios and Mr. Du Bois to continue plans for HVAC and PA system updates, which have been prioritized for the improved health and safety of our campus. We will continue to work with V3 Studios and the Archdiocese Building and Real Estate Office as we investigate options available for advancing other improvements. I, along with all my fellow Archdiocesan priests, will learn more at an all-priest meeting on October 8.

We have been blessed with generous gifts and bequests from our multigenerational parish and school community, and look to the future with hope and gratitude.

May God bless each and every one of us,

Fr. Lawrence Herzog, Pastor