



St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church
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Dear St. Thomas Parishioner,

As a member of our Parish community, you have undoubtedly seen, experienced and possibly contributed in some way to the incredible and much needed improvements that have been made over the past year at St. Thomas. It is amazing what began with initiatives of a few fellow parishioners with the goal of simply repairing falling plaster and rolling on a fresh coat of paint for the interior of the church. This modest but very important beginning set in motion a series of projects, with the desire to restore some of our church building's former glory. Our first priority was to ensure the integrity of our church roof by replacing broken and missing tiles. Once the roof was repaired, our attention turned towards fixing the ceiling. We had to repair deteriorating ceiling plaster and then apply several coats of paint. Next up in the plan was to prepare the walls for painting. This required more work than originally anticipated as whole sections of plaster had to be replaced.

Through this whole process we've all had to endure drop clothes, scaffolding, plaster dust and moving things around. Now with the last of the wall repairs and painting completed, we can all see the huge improvements this has made to our place of worship. We are very thankful to God for all He has allowed us to accomplish so far, but our work is not done. As a direct result of all that has been completed thus far, there is a growing sense of accomplishment and a need to finish what has been started.

Therefore, the Parish Council has established a new committee called Vision 2020, which is a multi-year initiative that takes a longer term, proactive look at the Parish's capital improvement needs. This committee works in collaboration with the Parish Council to identify a list of capital improvement projects that addresses the key needs of our parish church. The committee has been working over the last several months to assess, prioritize, budget, schedule and set fundraising goals to enable us to move forward with our plans.

We need your help. Generations of parishioners over the past 125 years have sacrificed and labored – to give us the legacy we enjoy today. Now is the time for us to continue the legacy of St. Thomas for the next 125 years.

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