

Dear Parish:

This is a new time at All Saints, with a heightened presence of the Holy Spirit among us evident in so many ways:

- New worship and educational opportunities;
- The inspiring sacrifices of so many volunteer servants;
- The ongoing success of our Kingdom Campaign and our Annual Giving Campaign;
- New, gifted clergy with fresh energy, abundant talent, and love for Jesus;
- The growth of our congregation and members;
- The renovation and improvement of so much of our building; and
- More than I have room for here.

We are very different than we were a short time ago.

Back in 2013, under the leadership of Stuart McFarland, Richard Ranger, Dan Dever, and others, the parish adopted The Strategic Plan of 2013, which was mostly completed by 2016. We were drafting a new strategic plan a year or so ago when the inspiration for the Kingdom Campaign became a priority. The strategic plan idea was delayed, which turned out to be a very good thing because the Kingdom Campaign has changed us dramatically. We are now lifted much higher than we were before the campaign.

Now we need a road map to guide us through the next 3-5 years of Kingdom Building. Our recently formed Strategic Planning Committee 2.0 consists of: Stuart McFarland, Dan Dever, Tony D'Emidio, Cindy Wade, Catherine Dunlop, Elizabeth Wrege, and Liz McReady, with clergy oversight and spiritual direction by Fr. B.J. Buracker. The committee will be conducting some targeted interviews, as well as open "town hall" sessions to solicit input from all interested parishioners.

We ask for your prayers that the Holy Spirit will guide our planning to the end that God may be glorified. Thanks be to God for honoring and prospering us as a part of the Body of Christ and for the anticipation and joy of what is next for us in the work of Jesus' Gospel.

"Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed."
Proverbs 15:22

Sincerely, In Christ -

Edward T. Kelaher, Rector