

The Challenge Before Us

Holy Name of Mary Parish is undertaking this Planning Study to determine the level of support for a capital campaign that seeks to raise funds for improvements and repairs to our Church, School, Convent and Rectory.

Holy Name of Mary Parish has served the community of Valley Stream and the surrounding areas for 106 years. Since 1902 our parish has and will continue to have a lasting impact on the lives of many in our community and beyond. But our Church, School, Rectory and Convent buildings are aging and are in need attention. Over the past few years we began to carefully study the infrastructure needs and resources of our parish. With the talent and generosity of our parishioners work has taken place to restore our facilities, but much remains to be done

Much discussion has taken place about the needs of the parish buildings, but there has also been much discussion on how to pay for these needs. The perspective that is important to view this challenge from is one of Past, Present and Future Stewardship. Using funds from parish savings (the past), using part of the Rink Estate bequest (the present), and using funds raised in a pledge effort by parishioners (the future), would allow us to share this financial burden and participate as a community of faith. The needs facing us at this time are as follows:

Church Restoration:

- Roof Replacement (3 flat roofs)*
- Masonry Work to the outside of the church building*
- New Air-Conditioning System*
- Interior Painting & Staining – All Walls and Ceilings
- Refurbish all Pews and add new Kneelers (sample in Church)
- Repair and Clean all Stained Glass Windows
- Replace Carpet & Tile with new Carpet & Tile (Body of the Church)
- Renovate bathroom for Handicap Accessibility
- Clean and Polish all Marble throughout the Worship Space
- Purchase of a New Organ

*(These were emergency repairs. Money was taken from parish savings.)

School Building Needs:

- Replace Flat Roof and Slate Roof Repair
- Install Energy Efficient Windows (Lower level complete)
- New Exterior Doors throughout the building
- Install a New, Zoned, Energy Efficient Heating System

Convent and Rectory:

- Renovate Kitchen (C)
- Install Energy Efficient Heating System (C)
- Perimeter Fence and Parking Lot (C)
- Upgrade Kitchen (R)

Estimates for the work described above would come to \$1.5 million dollars. (\$750,000 for the Church, \$675,000 for the School Building, and \$75,000 for the Convent/Rectory)