



Questions and Answers

How are capital projects usually organized?

Certain factors determine the steps or phases into which capital projects are organized. The desires of the parishioners for priorities among the components of a project are balanced by governmental permitting processes, the logical construction sequences and the availability of capital construction monies. Usually projects are divided into several phases. Construction on any component cannot begin until funding ability is demonstrated. Some projects need to be revised based on the results of the fundraising drive.

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As a result of the planning process, the goal is to have a parish Catholic school unless further study proves that such ministry is not feasible. and will be concluded by the spring of 2002.

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Answer continued:

The study will be conducted by a parish task force appointed by Fr. Jim Picton .The potential construction of a school building on the parish campus will be provided in the comprehensive plan submitted to the Archdiocese.

What are the probable first phase components and timeline of a capital project at St. Madeleine Sophie?

It is estimated that the various permitting processes will take about a year and a half. Likely components of a first phase project would be expanded parking; full accessibility to the church, social hall, meeting rooms and relocated parish offices; an upgraded church interior including the baptismal font; expanded storage and gathering spaces; and restoration of the rectory for priests' residential use.

The expanded parking will begin in the spring 2002 with the remaining components to begin in spring 2003.

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Introduction

Over the last year, a planning process resulted in a statement of goals affirming present parish ministries and initiating new ministries. These goals have implications for the renewal and expansion of facilities on our parish campus.

From the results of the listening survey in which 952 people participated and many other conversations and discussions, the following questions about capital projects were frequently asked.



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What is the role of the Archdiocese in building and construction projects?

The Archdiocese does not determine what a parish chooses to build, but oversees the financing, design and construction of major projects.

This oversight is accomplished jointly by the Parish Financial Services Director and the Property and Construction Director; together with the Parish Revolving Fund Commission and the Archdiocesan Building Commission.

Fr. John Renggli formally began the exploration phase and obtained Archbishop Brunett's permission to initiate the preliminary research and study activities.

Fr. Jim Picton and the Parish Pastoral Council have taken the next steps in the planning process.



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What are the Archdiocesan guidelines and resources for capital project

The Archdiocese grants permission to fund-raise only after a parish has completed a plan for the future potential uses and construction of facilities on the parish campus. The comprehensive plan must include broad schematic drawings and be consistent with the desires of parishioners demonstrated by such factors as a survey, parish level discussions and recommendations of the Parish Pastoral Council and Pastor. The plan must also state the best available information as to the potential costs for the project.

The Parish Revolving Fund functions like any other lending institutions. All parishes are required to deposit their financial resources in this fund. It is usually from this fund that all borrowings occur for the financing of capital projects