

## Strategic Plan Progress—look what God is growing in his garden.

### Seeds to be Sown

- ⇒ Religious Education for Children
- ⇒ Facility Space Planning and Safety Initiatives
- ⇒ Family Friendly Programming
- ⇒ Marketing Initiatives
- ⇒ Offertory Donations meets Operational Needs

### Seedlings

- ⇒ Intercessory Prayer Team
- ⇒ Parish Life Staff Leadership
- ⇒ Social Justice Programs
- ⇒ Building Support Staff
- ⇒ Welcome Team

### Sprouts

- ⇒ Baptism Preparation
- ⇒ Building Signage
- ⇒ Mass Schedule meets Resources
- ⇒ Musical Events and Programs
- ⇒ Young Adult Programs

### Blooms

- ⇒ Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Program
- ⇒ Contemplative Leaders in Action Young Adult Leadership Program
- ⇒ Bible Study Series
- ⇒ Choir Program
- ⇒ Liturgical Décor of Sacred Space
- ⇒ Visitation to the Sick
- ⇒ *Legacy* Bi-Annual Magazine
- ⇒ Welcome Bags for New Residents
- ⇒ Hospitality Teams
- ⇒ Maintenance and Repair Initiatives
- ⇒ Updated Financial Systems
- ⇒ Bi-monthly E-Newsletter
- ⇒ Successful Fundraising through Catholic Services Appeal

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growing...



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## A message from our Pastor...

Welcome to all our friends and parishioners who have joined us to celebrate our anniversary! There is much in our past to celebrate, but as people who are marked by faith, hope, confidence, and trust, we look even more expectantly to the present as it unfolds into the future.

We give thanks today for the countless women and men who came before us, and prayed in these pews, contributed their resources, cared for one another, volunteered their service, reached out to their neighbors in need, and above all, shared in the same timeless Presence of Jesus whenever His followers celebrate the sacred liturgy. In all they did they were building up not so much a physical edifice, but the church that is the Body of Christ, the Assembly of the Saints, the community of faith. They made possible the continuity of this community in which we have now been able to take our place.

This parish has seen good times and lean times. Years when a thousand people filled the pews at weekend masses, with even more at the public lectures and devotions. And years in recent memory when routinely no more than 40 congregants were present. Years when it was a thriving hub of social services and educational ministry, and others when hardly anything was going on. Neighborhoods of the wealthy and of poor immigrants have come and gone around us. Let us remember that God has been faithful, present and active in all these times to those who were here.

Today we seem to be at the beginning of a new chapter in the parish's history. God has been busy planting seeds of new Life among us – some have already sprouted, a few are in full bloom, and some are still germinating, waiting for their time to come. (See the back cover of this program for a listing of these initiatives.) We average one new household registration nearly every week. Six babies have been born to our parishioners in recent months... we will soon need a children's program! Newly- interested young adults connect with us weekly, and we have begun three new programs for them just this summer. Our ministry to the homeless has grown and matured into an independent operation. We cannot help but be joyfully grateful for all this new life. Yet more is on the way: a thousand new housing units will be built in our parish area in the next couple of years. So we must also be on our knees in earnest prayer that, as a community, we can rise to what this new life requires of us: that we can engage enough people and resources to provide the ministry and spiritual nourishment that people need in order to find a spiritual home here, and to continue bringing the Light of Christ into the heart of the city. For that, all of you are needed to continue to support Ss. Peter and Paul with your time, talent, and treasure! Thanks be to God for all we have received, and all the gifts still to come!

— Gary Wright, SJ

## We Honor and Remember.....

Claudia and Robert Fields  
Dr. Donald B. Shumaker  
Phyllis Greene Milbrand  
Otto I. Milbrand  
Callista Madalene Oster Fortier  
Charles Matthew Fortier  
Joseph Gerard Fortier  
Raymond Charles Fortier  
Monsignor Ferdinand DeCneudt  
Charlene Hurley Soleau  
Hon. Craigen Joseph Oster  
Ann Marie Oster Smith  
Brenda Harris  
Blessed Solanus Casey  
Harrison Wenson  
Nate Wenson  
Daniel Hendren  
John Liddle  
Maureen LaBuhn  
Carol Gambino  
Sherry McDonald  
Scheible Family  
Buchanan Family  
Dorothy and Harry Stimson  
Frank and Katherine Brady  
Madge Coghlin  
Edwin P. Horan  
Aunt Stancey  
Anne DuConge  
Eric Holliday  
Richard Seymour  
Lisa Seymour-Shook  
Robert Solner  
Jacqueline Solner  
Arthur Jones

Thomas Richert  
Michael Lancendorfer  
Carlo DiCosmo  
Biskelonis Family  
Antoinette Ouimet  
Marian Sarraga  
Roselia Benavides  
Josephine Amador Courtney  
Jane Brevitz  
Lucille Priestap  
Paul and Adele Brown  
Janet Means  
Kathleen A. Herman  
Busia Sowinski  
Adaleen Milas  
Gresens Family  
Brooks Merman  
Carl Cottan  
James H. Byrnes  
Patricia A. Byrnes  
Rob Hecksel  
Forrest Fatheree  
Joe Rodriguez  
John William Johnson  
Carole and Don Yustick  
Carmella Veltri  
Carmella Ficaró  
Providence Lucido  
Marion Gertrude Hatty  
Marvin E. Beels  
Leobardo Sanchez  
Graciela Juaristi  
Richard Heide, Sr.  
Carl Goll  
Margaret Goll

Gary Pasiak  
Richard Pasiak, Sr.  
Tony and Nancy Giardina  
Fred Brown  
Diana Yanez  
James Beran  
Joseph Michaels  
Joan and Dan Noe  
Ann Politzer  
Howard Gray, SJ  
Paul Graham  
Barbara and Raymond Costello  
Dennis Costello  
Erin O'Mara  
Macio King  
Dwayne Johnson  
Gordon King  
Tredario  
Eleasah Jinnah  
SSPP Music Ministry  
SSPP Intercessory Prayer Team  
SSPP Parish Pastoral Council  
SSPP Liturgy Committee  
SSPP Hospitality Committee  
SSPP Finance Council  
SSPP Building and Grounds  
Committee  
SSPP Parish Support Team  
SSPP Facility Support Team