



SHARING *our* GIFTS  
**BUILDING *our* FUTURE**  
ST. RICHARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 30-31

## UPDATES AND UPGRADES

**Q: WHAT UPDATES ARE PLANNED FOR THE SOCIAL HALL?** **A:** The social hall is a space that allows us to gather for many parish events. It is where we gather regularly to grow in friendship and mark important events in our lives and the life of the St. Richard community. Outside of the church sanctuary, it is the most commonly used space in our parish, utilized for events like coffee shop, funeral luncheons and pancake breakfasts. The space is also used daily by Blessed Trinity School, both as a lunchroom and gym.

There are a number of projects that we need to address in the social hall. The first is installing new flooring throughout the space. These flooring materials would also help dampen sound throughout the social hall so that it is easier to hold conversations. The second project is repainting the space so that it is more inviting. The third project is purchasing divider(s) so that portions of the hall can be easily sectioned off into smaller areas for a more hospitable feel. The dividers would also dampen sound and reduce echoes.

By installing new flooring, painting and dividers, the social hall would be a more attractive and functional space for parishioners and visitors. It already functions as a critical part of our parish campus, but these improvements will allow parishioners to use it in many more ways than we can now.

**Q: WHAT UPDATES ARE PLANNED FOR THE NARTHEX?** **A:** The narthex improvements include renovating our bathrooms with new tile, fixtures, and lighting to make them more inviting. We will also be installing new hardware so that the bathrooms are more accessible to those who have physical limitations. In addition, we will replace the carpet in front of our main doors with carpet squares so that it is easier to maintain.

**Q: WHAT UPDATES ARE PLANNED FOR BLESSED TRINITY SCHOOL?** **A:** There are two projects planned for the St. Richard campus of Blessed Trinity School. The first is to renovate the bathrooms in the school; this project is similar to the narthex bathroom improvements in that new tile, fixtures, and lighting will make them more inviting, functional, and accessible to those with physical limitations. The second project is to update each classroom. Some need new carpet, others need new paint, doors, or electrical outlets. Each classroom will be assessed and updated according to its need, keeping in mind that many classrooms are used not only for Blessed Trinity School, but also for our faith formation programs.

## NEXT STEPS

**Q: THESE FAQs HAVE BEEN HELPFUL. WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?** **A:** Next weekend is the official start of our campaign. Please make plans to attend Mass to hear about the campaign in more detail. Around February 8, each family will receive a request letter from Fr. Mark, a campaign brochure, and instructions on how to pledge to the campaign. The campaign will actively secure pledges between February 8-April 2. Pledges may be fulfilled between April 2016-April 2019.

*Next week, February 6-7,  
is Kickoff Weekend.*

**Join us after the  
Saturday night Mass for  
a reception, or after each  
Sunday Mass for the  
pancake breakfast!**