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WE HAVE A NEW
NAME



OUR MORTGAGE
HIGHLIGHTS



FUND-RAISING
UPDATE



OUR PARISH NEEDS

NEW CHURCH COMMUNIQUE #2



“You are the Secretary of My Mercy; I have chosen you for this office, in this life and in the next” (the Lord speaking to St Faustina, as recorded in her Diary, para.1605)

On a cold weekend in mid January...

Fr. Gerard Monaghan, informed the parishioners of St. Margaret-Mary and St. Edith Stein that the office of the Archdiocese has approved the name “St. Faustina” to be the name of our newly formed parish.

Fr. Gerard informs that it will be a while yet until all the proper canonical procedures are completed to become this new entity. In the meantime, the new name should help us form our new identity and aid us in our quest to raise funds and to promote our new parish to others.

Soon we will be
able to raise funds
under the name of
St. Faustina

Our Mortgage Highlights

- ❖ Balance as of Jan 16, 2019.....\$317,000.00
- ❖ Monthly mortgage payment @4.5%.....\$2,380.00
- ❖ 2 extra payments were made in 2018 to reduce the principal mortgage amount resulting in big savings.
- ❖ The outstanding mortgage amount is listed in our monthly bulletin.

Fund-Raising

How we receive our funds...

Brad Chippior reports that 95 families have pledged approximately \$225,000 to date. There were 15 one-time donations; 63 monthly pledges; 3 annual gifts and 5 other donations. (Tax receipts will become available mid-February.)

Pink envelopes have been added to the pews to collect additional funds.



Did you know...

Based on our fund-raising and pledges so far, we are **within \$70,000** of paying off the mortgage on the land **in three years!** A great community achievement!

Statistics from research conducted by The Dynamic Catholic Institute show that roughly 7 percent of Catholic parishioners are doing almost everything in their faith community and paying almost entirely for the maintenance and mission of the parish.

Average North American Catholic Parishes	St Margaret-Mary & St Edith Stein Parishes
6.8 % of registered parishioners donate 80 % of financial contributions	we have 29.9% of registered parishioners contributing close to 80% of our total funds



40% - is the overall participation rate among all our parishioners.

Non-parishioner donations were about \$5,000 !

Parishioners who've pledged support are following through on their commitments to date.



The financial participation from St Margaret-Mary and St Edith Stein parishes are exceptional. Yet there is still more we that can do. 50% plus of our weekly intake comes from donations of \$9.00 or less. How fast would we be able to put shovels in the ground if that were increased by just \$5 per week? Keeping the financial future of St Faustina Parish between your cell phone and cable bill will go a long way to building our new facility.

In the works...

A new fundraising proposal expected for later this year spearheaded by Bob Riley called “Grand in the Hand.” Stay tuned!



Our needs going forward...

Raising the Parish -

MATeam leader Dan Potvin notes that the focus of raising funds must now take on the focus of “raising the parish”. What are the things we should / could be doing as a parish to involve folks and to grow our community? Let us hear your suggestions by contacting any of our MATeam members or by responding to our email contact at:

mat4saintfaustina@gmail.com

Communication -

The MATeam recognizes the importance of reporting new information to the parish in a timely manner. We are actively seeking someone with the ability and desire to help us to take on this task. A person with social media skills (Facebook, Twitter, email, etc.) would be a big help.

In the meantime, this “Communique #2” is being sent out via email to our registered parishioners. If you wish to unsubscribe, simply indicate that at the bottom of the email.

Parish Registry -

We have approximately 70% of our current parish registry with an associated email address. We would like to improve this by asking parishioners to inform us of their contact information if they have not already done so. At present we have approximately 175 registered families associated with St Margaret-Mary and 75 registered families associated with St Edith Stein.

Expenses coming up in the short term -

- ❖ Preparation of a preliminary site plan
- ❖ Signage for the site
- ❖ Architectural input

Time and Talent Survey -

Deacon Tom delivered a good presentation of the need to participate and share our gifts with the whole community. Unfortunately bad weather interfered with attendance. We are attaching the survey here that you are asked to complete and return to the parish. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Your St Faustina MATEam



**Patrick
Callaghan**



**Brad
Chippior**



**Dcn Tom
Donohue**



**Cecilia & Darryl
Everett**



**Jane & Jerome
Gagnier**



**Theresa
Roche**



**Paul
Montpetit**



**Marjorie
Hinds**



**Christine
Lemieux**



**Fr Gerard
Monaghan**



**Bob
Riley**



**Dan
Potvin**

Be a Part of Something Great!

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