

Living Our Faith

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Building Our Future

Newsletter 1 - June 2019

Dear Parish Family of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,

I am very hopeful in sending you this first “Newsletter” regarding our future development as a parish, especially as it looks forward to a new, more spacious and more beautiful church.

When we built the Seton Faith Formation Center in 2006, we promised such a church. Now we believe we can achieve this goal! The feasibility groups held a few months ago of over 400 people affirmed this goal. We discussed renovation of the old building, but the expense would be great. We believe a new building is the way to go for the future!

Recently, we have been forming teams of people dedicated to achieving this goal through a financial campaign. Our campaign has adopted the theme: *Living Our Faith, Building Our Future*. We are a stable part of the Plano community. A beautiful new church would stand out as a sign of faith and service.

A church of more traditional design would speak to the stability of our faith. It would be an inspiration to those who would see it for many generations to come, and it would enhance our personal and public prayer. A new church would face the major streets of our city as a sign of service and love to God, and to our neighbor. It would become a statement to the community.

We ask you to show your love for your parish by your prayers and support as we move forward.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Bruce Bradley



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Through careful research and planning, and with thoughtful input from the members of our parish, we have identified our greatest needs and are committed to building a new church that will complement our Faith Formation Center and bring our total complex to a proper balance of equal dignity and beauty. Our primary focus will be building our much-needed new church that will include the following:

- ▶ A new and more beautiful church to celebrate Mass and other liturgical events in our lives, such as weddings and funerals
- ▶ More sacristy space for our clergy and liturgical ministers
- ▶ More space for devotional art and personal prayer

What's Next

Our campaign will officially kick off in September at our Parish Gala. In the meantime, we ask you to prayerfully discern how you will give of your time, talent and treasure to this important milestone in our parish history and legacy. We will continue to recruit fellow parishioners to our campaign teams.

The dream of our new church may seem too big for us as individuals, but together we can accomplish great things with God's help. May we move forward boldly.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." -1 Peter 4:10

We appreciate and thank our Steering Committee members who have already said yes.

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