

#### ST. MARKS PARISH CHURCH

Saint Mark Catholic Church is situated on high ground in a valley in Pennsylvania where the town of Greencastle lies. It has been the center of Catholic life in the area since its construction in 1965. The parish has had five pastors at its present location, each bringing his own unique gifts to the parish and the community. The church and parish have been cherished and lovingly maintained by caring parishioners over the years. Over the past year, a concerted effort has been made to repair and restore the Church and social hall. New roofing, Dryvit restoration and painting, along with a new boiler, are the major improvements that have been completed. As these repairs and restoration efforts were ending, a facilities master plan for the church, parish office, rectory and new construction was commissioned and studied. A three project phased plan was developed. The first project of this plan centers on improvements to the existing church. The second project focuses on improvements to the existing office/rectory space. These renovations will upgrade the office and reception areas while creating a separation of the priest's living space from the parish business operations. The third project phase involves the proposed construction of a narthex addition which will be attached to the existing church.

### **PLEASE JOIN US**

The generosity of Saint Mark parishioners has always been essential for its maintenance and growth. It is a testament to people's generosity that funds were in place in order to complete the maintenance and repair portions of the project to date. Most recently, new concrete has been installed to remove the steps at the main entrance and north and south wings of the church. This work permits the church to be ADA accessible from all entrances. In addition, the north entrance to the connector link between the social hall, and the church has been reconstructed to allow ADA accessibility. As part of Project One and the construction of the new ADA compatible restrooms, the south entrance to the connector link will also be reconstructed to meet full ADA accessibility requirements.

Please consider a gift towards any of the three projects. Your donation will allow St. Mark church to shine ever brighter in its prominent location in the community, while offering our parish family a more reverent and visibly moving celebration of the Mass and the sacraments.

The Diocese of Harrisburg has approved a capital campaign to be undertaken by the parish for the total cost of all three projects.



### **PROJECT TWO**

Project Two of the master plan is to renovate the existing rectory/office facility. This project seeks to achieve the following goals:

- Provide separation between the living spaces of the pastor and the business office operations
- Renovate the existing office bathroom facilities to meet ADA guidelines
- Provide new office space which is more work-friendly for the employees and which allows all staff to be centrally located
- Provide a conference room/office for flexible situations
- Construct a new garage connected by a covered breezeway to the residence portion of the building
- Provide a kitchenette for employees

It was determined that building a new garage and renovating the existing garage and offices was a significant cost savings over new stand alone office space.

The estimated cost of Project Two is \$185,000.

### **PROJECT THREE**

The third project envisioned by the Saint Mark Parish facilities master plan is to construct a narthex edition. This addition will be on the south end of the main church. The concept is to provide a light filled addition similar in ceiling height to the north and south wings. Two of the existing exterior stone walls of the church will become interior walls of the proposed narthex. The narthex addition will provide overflow space for an additional 100 worshipers. It will provide space for smaller parish events, funeral services, and many other uses.

As part of Project Three's narthex addition, a new ADA compliant restroom is included in order to provide a more convenient and less disruptive location to be used during mass. A small coffee/refreshment bar will be part of the restroom/narthex/addition along with a storage room. Furniture and other items needed for the multi-purpose use of the narthex will be stored within. The repaving of all upper level surface parking lots adjacent to the church and offices is included in Project Three.

The estimated cost of Project Three is \$760,000



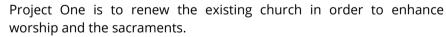




### **A VISION FOR**

# St. Mark the Evangelist

## **PROJECT ONE**



Major elements of Project One:

- Move the existing tabernacle to the center of the sanctuary
- Renovate existing space as a new ADA compatible, confessional, accommodating, both private and face-to-face confession
- Renew the existing Sanctuary Terrazzo surface
- Construct a new ADA compliant restroom facility adjacent to the connector, linked between the church and the social hall
- Upgrade the choir railing to meet current code requirements
- Commission new altar furnishings in the style of the existing church seating
- Renovate and expand the church foyer after removing the existing confessional

The estimated cost of Project One is \$196,500.

