Vision Committee Oral Report to Parish #15

October 4-5, 2025

Good morning/evening,

I am (your name) from our parish Vision Committee, here to give you an update based on our most recent meeting.

The Photo Journal was a huge success! Those of you who did not pick up your photo journal yet may do so after Mass this weekend or at the rectory during the week.

Don't be left out of the Raise the Roof Campaign! We are approaching the three-quarters of a million dollar mark and your commitment can help us get there. The new roof project will begin over the next two months. Together, we can raise the roof and then some!!

Sunday, October 19 will be our first official "Welcome Sunday". We plan to officially welcome the **250 families** who have joined our parish since 2020. What a reason to celebrate! If you are among the newcomers, please check your email for an invitation from Fr. Jim and please do RSVP so we can plan accordingly! Ministry Leaders will be on hand both after the 9am and the 11:30 am Masses to answer any questions our new members might have. Light refreshments will be served.

Liturgical Moments will resume on October 19, only this fall's series will be called **Historical Moments** because it will highlight the evolution of our immigrant church in America. A new initiative is also underway to augment adult faith formation. We are launching a new series called **Feeding the Faith**. Our first presentation in that series is scheduled for Sunday, October 26 at 3pm. You can pick up a flyer in the back of church. Hope to see you there.

As you have heard, The Archdiocese of Newark is in the midst of an important program called **We Are His Witnesses**. You will be able to hear more about this venture at two open listening sessions which will be facilitated by the Archdiocese here at St. Joseph in November. Saturday, November 8th 9:00am to 11:00am and Monday, November 10th 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Please plan to attend one of the sessions.

One last note: we really want to encourage more of you to join a small faith sharing group. An info session about that program will be held on Sunday, November 2 at 10:15 am, between the two Sunday masses. Come out to see if a small faith community is something that appeals to you.