

Vision Committee Oral Report to Parish #14

June 21-22, 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! Attaching names to face is another way that we can get to know one another. Many thanks to all of you who participated and especially to Parishioner Dave McGrath who spearheaded the effort. The journal contains photos of 163 families for a total of 469 St. Joseph members! Just the tip of the iceberg, but still a great showing. 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. **And this is really important:** If you sent in a picture **but it didn't appear in the journal**, please use the email address in the Weekly Bulletin to contact Dave. You need to do so by September 30. A reprint of the photo journal after September 30 will include those missing pictures.

Don't be left out of the Raise the Roof Campaign either! The new roof project will begin later this summer, as soon as we receive approvals from the Archdiocese. If you didn't submit your pledge envelope, there's still plenty of time. Remember, it's not how much we give that matters, but that all of us give what we can.

Many thanks to all of you who completed the survey on faith and parish experience that went out a few weeks ago. St. Joseph's, as always, had a robust response. The results of those surveys, which will be shared with us and then with you in the near future, will become the basis of future discussion and planning, so thank

you. The survey results will be another way that we gain insights into the faith-life of our parish.

As you can see on the new Parish Handout (hold it up) that you can pick up in the back of church, we are unveiling our recently revised Parish mission statement. Underlying that mission statement are three goals to be attained by 2028. One of those goals is to expand our parish's faith formation offerings. We know that the Liturgical Moments have been a huge hit, so we'd like to design ways to create more such experiences beyond the framework of the weekly Mass. Stay tuned.

The flip side of the handout lists all our ministries and ministry leaders. Why not take a few minutes this summer to renew your personal commitment to the parish by signing up to share your talents in ministry.

Lastly, if you are available, please attend a social justice discussion this Sunday afternoon at 3:15 here at the church. Our presenters, parishioners Axel Takacs and John DeMucci are both well-versed in Catholic Social Teaching. We hope to see you there.