

**From the
Pastor's Desk**

Dear Parishioners,

If anyone in the parish who has a business that is associated with the various building/construction trades and is interested in finding out what the components of the church renovation will be in order to bid on them, then I would like to know this. On the table in the church entry there are forms that can be filled out in order to communicate this to me. Please fill out a form and place it in the box provided. I will pass on the information to Jim Mainelli who is the general manager for the renovation so that he can contact and discuss this with those interested.

Further, in regards to the renovation, the feedback that I did receive in relation to the new pews centered mostly around the desire that the pews include cushions. The donation that the parish has received for the new pews is sufficient to install the all-hardwood pews, which will have the advantage of our having pews that can much more easily be refinished in the future whenever such would be necessary after many years of use and also provides the ability to replace easily the pew cushion on this type of pew.

Finally, the parish also has received an anonymous donation to do some work on the outside of the rectory and church. The shingles on the roof of the rectory have never been replaced and have some slight hail damage, so this donor would like to replace the shingles and also has included in the donation the provision for new shingles on the church and for the repainting of all trim work. I found out from Jim Mainelli this last week that there is currently the offer from one of the major shingle producers to provide a lifetime guarantee on their best shingles, so we will be looking into whether this donation would make it possible for the parish to take advantage of this opportunity.

Have a blessed and enjoyable week.
Father Gutowski

**MASS
INTENTIONS**

MAY 23 THRU MAY 29

Monday	Msgr. Andrew Meister
Tuesday	Con Kwapnioski
Wednesday	Bud Burchard
Thursday	William Roth
Friday	Catherine Heimes
Saturday	Virginia Meister
Sunday	People of St. Joseph

FAIR BOOTH HELP NEEDED

To the members of our St. Joseph Parish Family: Although the Sarpy County Fair is still ten weeks away, your Knights of Columbus are already starting to get organized for this huge event. Just to refresh your memory, last year was the first year that the St. Joseph Knights, along with the men, women and youth of our parish, worked on this project alone. Previously we teamed up with the Gretna Knights. I must say that the members of our parish came through with flying colors. Their willingness to help work this event made it a success. The proceeds from this event help support many of the projects that we do as a council throughout the year. We also help the Ladies' Guild financially when they are in need as well as supporting the Youth Group from St. Joseph when they ask. There are approximately 250 time slots to fill with workers to make this a success. Time vary from 6:30 A.M. until 11:00 P.M. As you can see, we have time slots for anyone who is an Early Bird to a Night Owl and everywhere in between. The different jobs include: setup, cleanup, cooking, serving, support staff, etc. The Fair dates are: Wednesday, August 3rd thru Sunday, August 7th. I am asking each of you to please try to help us out on this big project. If you feel that you want to work more than one shift, please sign up for as many time slots as you can. It will be appreciated. Signup sheets will be in back of Church starting this weekend. And the next time you see your Knights in action or read of a event in the bulletin, you will have a better idea about how the event was funded. Thank