

As we continue to move forward with our new church project, prayer and perseverance are critical to success. At this point we are going to take a break for a period with the fund-raising activities and focus our efforts on the construction design process. After the Christmas break, we are going to make a shift from fundraising activities to working on the building design. We need your prayers that God's Will be done, through the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Conception, and we need your perseverance in making payments on pledges. Those who have not yet made pledges, we encourage you to do so and/or to make weekly or monthly contributions through our on-line giving or Sunday envelope. We have accumulated at this point \$4.5 million in total pledges and cash. We want to thank all who have given of their time, talent, and treasure to date for this project.

Our plan for the next year is to bring together an architect and construction management team to do more detailed design and develop detailed construction estimates. This will give us more accurate numbers on which to base our final fund-raising needs and provide better information to everyone in the parish as to specific design elements and construction phasing in the years ahead.

During this time, we will keep you informed of progress and then go back out to the whole parish to complete a final round of fund-raising. We have made good progress, but we still have a long way to go. As I said at the beginning, we need your perseverance with payments on your pledges and/or contributions in our Sunday envelopes or on-line. With prayer, we will reach our goal and be able to begin construction sooner than we might think. Thank you again to everyone who is supporting this effort with your prayers, your time, and/or your money. Have a very Merry Christmas!

*Respectfully,
IC Capital Campaign Committee*