

A Summary Report of St. Catherine of Siena Parish Forum October 4, 2009

Past and Future Steps

A. Introduction

On October 4, 2009 a 60-minute forum was held in the Parish Center for the purpose of sharing with parishioners:

- (1) updates on the facilities projects and
- (2) information on the fundraising campaign.

Note: this document presents only the structure of the forum. The PowerPoint presentation is available at <http://stcathofsiena.org/pages/facilities/ParishFacilitiesForum20091004.pdf> and the text for comments about the fundraising campaign is available at <http://stcathofsiena.org/pages/facilities/CommentsonCampaign20091004.pdf>. Please refer to them for the details.

B. Initial Remarks

Sr Mary welcomed everyone and thanked them for the involvement.

Dan Finlay lead the group in prayer using the prayer card developed especially for the campaign by the prayer team.

Mike Redlin, as facilitator, remarked that:

- Parish's leadership committed to decision-making process based on trust, open discussion and considered decisions
- Buildings seen as a means to an end -- the facility (means) supports a vibrant Catholic community and its program needs (the end)
- Here today to inform you about steps recently taken and steps that will be taken in the near future

C. The Big Questions

1. Why today's work now?
 - A point of transition: much project work being done and fundraising campaign beginning
2. How will what we do in this Forum improve the parish?
 - Build sense of community by keeping all informed and engaged

D. The Presentations

Mike Redlin presented using a PowerPoint Presentation (presentation available on website) and answered questions.

Susan Piliero presented her thoughts about the campaign (text available on website) and answered questions.