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Your Excellency,

I write today as a follow up to recent correspondence with Dean Happe. Good Shepherd Catholic Parish (Church and School) has been in the process of planning for our future. In December, 2021, through the encouragement of our Parish Council, I appointed four members to the Long-Range Strategic Planning Committee: Kristen Girten (Principal), Amy Barrett (Electrical Engineer and parent), Tim McGuire (retired Chancellor of the Diocese of Evansville), and Brian Lankford (retired Banker and volunteer of special projects at Good Shepherd). You can read more about the progress of our plans by visiting the following link: <https://gsparish.org/long-range-strategic-planning-committee/#.Y9qVM3bMJPY>.

Our Long-Range Strategic Planning Committee has been in consultation with other parishes in our Diocese of Evansville, consulted feedback from parishioners, identified facility and spiritual needs for our campus, and have developed stages on how these needs might be met. Mr. Happe shared the DIOCESAN PROCEDURES for BUILDING and RENOVATION document, and we will do our best to keep you up-to-date.

On October 4, 2023, Jack Faber met with our extended Long-Range Strategic Planning Committee, Parish Council, Finance Council, and School Council members to present drawings and phases to these groups. Jack discussed the listening sessions we had in March, 2023 and that he has included everything discussed then in the current Master Plan. He presented each phase of the project to date. At the end of the meeting, the consensus was to move forward with the drawings to present to parishioners. This phase of the planning process will probably occur late in 2023. I am forwarding a copy of the Master Plan prepared by Hafer and requesting your review of details and permission to continue moving forward. I also plan to reach out to Matt Miller to discuss church related renovations.

Thank you for your prayers and consideration,



Very Rev. Zachary J. Etienne

