

## Chapel Project Update

The start of school this week is a sure sign that fall is right around the corner. As Saint Ambrose Catholic Community continues to move forward in faith, we wanted to take this opportunity to offer an update on the anticipated addition to the Saint Francis Chapel that will allow us to make way for Perpetual Adoration. Thanks to the virtue of generosity, we have raised nearly \$500,000 for this project. Thank you to all who have donated! Contributions in support of this project are still being accepted.

As Fr. Peter shared in his bulletin article on June 20<sup>th</sup>, we are working with Opus to add an outside entrance and restroom to our Saint Francis Chapel. Anyone who has tried to complete a remodeling project will understand that such projects are never without the occasional set back or challenge. We are currently addressing the following:

We are facing the tightening of the supply chains, as a result of the ongoing pandemic, making construction materials a challenge to obtain. In response to this challenge we are working to assess and obtain the materials needed for our project up front. In the interest of prudence, our contractor has recommended that we sync the start of the project with the anticipated time that we can have all materials on hand.

We are working to ensure that our original infrastructure can move forward with the intended sewer and utility connections that were anticipated for growth when our campus was originally constructed. We are currently in communication with the City of Woodbury and Washington County to determine if intended connections are still feasible for the sewer services that are required with our current proposed construction.

In terms of an updated timeline, pending the resolution of the above mentioned items, we are currently anticipating breaking ground on the project sometime during the first week of November with a goal of completion by the end of the Advent season.

A reminder that as we move toward this construction project, we also move toward the true fruits of the project – Perpetual Adoration. Fr. Peter, Fr. Ben and the Adoration team will be sharing more information about Adoration in the months ahead. If you would like more information about Eucharistic Adoration and to sign up, please contact Winnie Lynott at: [wsl110296@aol.com](mailto:wsl110296@aol.com) or 508.380.8069.

We move forward in hope, supported by your prayers, and trusting in God's perfect timing. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at: [ghereford@saintambrosecatholic.org](mailto:ghereford@saintambrosecatholic.org) or 651.768.3010.

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