

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

New Church Tours

November 12th and 13th

2011

*****ENTRANCE AREA #1 (AT EAST SIDE DOOR, NEAR SACRISTY)*****

Welcome to our new church! As you can see, it is much larger and more spacious than our existing church. Here is a picture taken on November 7, 2010. The people in this photograph are standing on the footprint of the new church. You can see just how far we've come in one year. Our new church will be the largest in the Harrisburg Diocese, and it is more than twice the size of our existing church.

LARGEST CHURCH

- The exterior of the church contains 55,763 bricks. Over 2,200 bricks were signed by parishioners.
- 674,000 lbs. of steel support the church. Additionally, there are 14 internal columns (8 in the front and 6 in the rear) adding strength to the structure.
- The highest point in the church from floor to ceiling is 43 feet.
- The Air Conditioning unit delivers 80 tons of cooling capacity and circulates over 32,000 cubic feet of air per minute.
- Twenty six miles of electrical wire was used in the construction.

WALK HALFWAY DOWN RIGHT (EAST) SIDE AISLE

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

- These date back to 1920. They were acquired from a retired church.
- There are 39 windows altogether.
- The windows have been placed in locations that have meaningful significance for the Patron Saints they represent. (more to come later)
- 16 of the windows in the main church are over 10 feet tall.
- The windows in the church represent the Glorious and Joyful Mysteries.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- The Stations of the Cross will be located between the windows and are lit from above.
- They are a higher quality type, called *Daprato*.
- The stations were obtained from a church that was closed.
- The stations date back to 1930.

*******ENTRANCE AREA #2 (AT EAST SIDE DOOR INTO NARTHEX)*******

(For groups starting in the Narthex area, begin by reading the “Welcome to our new church section discussing the size”)

WALK INTO THE NARTHEX AREA (USE YOUR MAP TO TOUR THE NARTHEX AND BASEMENT)

- Point out the stairs and elevator leading to the basement and choir loft. The basement has 5,770 sq. feet of useable space.
- The basement will be finished at a later date when funding permits. Possibilities for use might include meeting rooms, space for funeral luncheons and parish ministry events.
- Point out Specialty Dressing Rooms – Priest, Extraordinary Ministers/Bride Room.
- Several of the lights from the old church will be moved into the Narthex.
- There will be a total of 6 restrooms in the new church. They are located next to the Day Chapel, priest and Extraordinary minister’s dressing rooms, and the two large bathrooms in the Narthex.

WALK UP TO THE CHOIR LOFT (MAY BE OFF LIMITS DUE TO CONSTRUCTION WORK ON FLOORING.....IF SO, STAND IN THE NAVE FACING THE CHOIR LOFT)

- The organ will be transported to the choir loft.
- Two chambers on each side of the choir loft are 14 ft. and will house very powerful speakers.
- 40 speakers will be used to project the sound from the organ.
- 4,000 WATTS of speaker power will produce this sound.
- There will be 2 speakers in the loft for the singers to hear the music.
- Voice speakers will be located in the ceiling throughout the church as well as in the Day Chapel.
- The sound system for voice will be heard in the main church as well as in the Day Chapel.
- The stained glass window showing St. Cecelia was placed near the choir loft because she is the Patron Saint of Music. *(last window, in the back of the Nave, on the west side- she is seen playing an organ)*

WALK HALFWAY UP THE MIDDLE AISLE

- Ceramic tile will be used for most of the flooring in the church. There won't be any carpeting.
- The center aisle will consist of marble with geometric images representing gems of the heavenly Jerusalem.
- The pews slope gradually toward the front except for a horizontal row across the middle of the church.
- The highly efficient heating system delivers 1.3 million BTU's and recovers 71% of the heating capacity on the coldest Sunday in the winter.

PEWS

- There will be 86 new pews delivered to the church at the end of November. The pews will have padded seats and kneelers.
- The seating capacity of the new church is 1400 people.
- There will be a slight upward slope to create a better view of the altar from all parts of the church.

WALK UP TO THE SANCTUARY

- The altar being used in the new church was constructed in 1921, and was acquired from the chapel at the Immaculata Seminary which is now a part of American University in Washington, DC.
- It is made completely of marble.
- The steps and flooring around the altar are made of marble as well.
- The statues of Mary and Joseph as well as the Crucifix from the old church are all going to be used.
- A new Ambo (pulpit) and Baptismal Font are being made from marble that came from the same church that the altar came from.
- Saint John Neumann's relics will be encased (in a separate box and placed in the altar before final piece of the top is put in place) in our new altar.
- Stained Glass Window (left) – St. Thomas Aquinas – behind the pulpit to represent the teacher.
- Stained Glass Window (right) – Baptism of Christ – behind the Baptismal Font.

WALK THROUGH THE SACRISTY TO THE DAY CHAPEL

(USE YOUR MAP TO POINT OUT THE EXTRA ROOMS NEAR THE SACRISTY, SUCH AS REST ROOMS, STORAGE AREA AND SECURITY VAULT)

- The Day Chapel has its own entrance and can seat 110 people.
- It will be used for Daily Mass, Small Weddings and Funerals, and Special Events.
- The pews have been acquired from a closed church in the Allentown Diocese.
- There are 4 Stained Glass Windows which depict themes of the Eucharist.
- Our existing altar will be modified for use here.
- The existing Tabernacle and its stand will also be used here.
- Four of the ceiling lights from the existing church will be moved to the chapel.
- The Rosa Mystica Statue in the back of church will be moved to the chapel.
- The crucifix located in the current lobby will be moved to the chapel.
- There will be statues of the 4 Evangelists and Mary.

WALK BACK TO THE SIDE DOOR YOU ORIGINALLY ENTERED

- Outside you will see that the parking has increased. There are 438 new parking spaces available with 25 handicapped spots.
- Lighting has also increased and 36 new light poles have been placed around the grounds.

IN CONCLUSION:

Our parish is so blessed to have such a beautiful new church to worship in everyday.

We are thankful for the hard work of the construction crew to build this magnificent church in such a short time frame.

The Capital Campaign appreciates all of your continued support of our building project.

There are many contingencies to be addressed in the coming weeks which will determine our exact completion date. However, Father Quinlan remains hopeful that we may be able to celebrate Christ's Birth on Christmas Day in our new church. (PLEASE READ THIS EXACTLY AS WRITTEN)

Thank you