

A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Dear parishioners:

At this time we would like to acknowledge and thank those of you who generously contributed towards the St. Elijah Fence Project. Your contributions have enabled the church to erect this beautiful fence on our cemetery. The new fence will beautify and protect our cemetery for years to come. We are currently collecting funds for the Cemetery Entrance Arch so if you were not able to purchase a section of fence, perhaps you would like to contribute to the second phase of the project, the arch.

Looking towards the year of 2010 we have three projects that were discussed at our Annual meeting that we are currently receiving bids for.

1. The Church Roof- needs to have all the tile removed, the old roofing paper removed, and new roofing paper be placed back on the wood decking. All broken tiles will be replaced, old caulking will be replaced as well.
2. Stained Glass Windows- currently we have 17 panes of broken glass that protects our windows from the outside that is cracked. The current protective glass is not insulated. Therefore we are seeking bids for this as well.
3. After the last inspection, our boilers in the church and parish house need to be replaced. So we are in the process of receiving bids for this project too.

Please continue your stewardship of giving to support the above projects this year. When you receive your Maintenance envelopes please give above and beyond your weekly or monthly donations to support these projects for 2010.

TALENT- The Bible refers to the church as the Body of Christ with Christ as its Head (1 Corinthians 12:27; Ephesians 5:23). Just as your body has many specialized parts, each with its own function, so the church is composed of many individuals, each with his **own special talent** to perform - and contribution to make - to the rest of the Body. We encourage you to identify your talents, and ask God to show you how to use them for His glory.

PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW YOU MAY HELP YOUR CHURCH IN THE FUTURE? If you have a special talent, call the Center office and let us know. When a project comes up that your talents reflect this will enable us to call upon you to give us a hand. This Christian Stewardship will be greatly appreciated.

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The Executive Board would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. May God's blessings be upon all of you.