



UNFINISHED

With renovation complete, what is left to do?

Those who attended the extraordinary Dedication Mass June 19 may remember that I ended my remarks with a confession. I admitted that in our Re-imagining Committee's study of "Built of Living Stones," the U.S. Bishops' guide for church design and construction, I had failed to read the final chapter.



Fr. Tom's Note

However, I did read the document's six concluding paragraphs in anticipation of the dedication, and noted how prophetic they are.

"The process of building (or renovating) a church calls the People of God to the unfinished business of the community," the document states. "It alerts the eucharistic assembly to the fact that complacency is destructive. ... Without the prophetic challenge of the Holy Spirit, church buildings could be merely triumphalistic monuments, a confirmation of comfortable opinions.

"The Spirit's prophetic gift reminds the assembly of the poor in the midst of plenty, of the homeless living on the streets, and of the abused and battered whose faces can be easily avoided."

And there we discover the "unfinished business" of the Church, the People of God at St. Anne Parish. It's the renovation work of goodness and justice that is never done, but which we might, from within our renovated church, find new and renewed ways to pursue. TL

INSPIRED OUR BUSY MONTH INCLUDES ONE MORE THING

By Susan Imm

We certainly had an exciting June at St. Anne! Summe Jam, our golf outing, the youth mission trip, and, of course, most excitingly, the dedication of our renovated church.

As I experienced the beautiful Dedication Mass that Sunday, with many of you, I was in awe of the holy space that we have all created and are blessed to call our church. I thought back to the different phases of our church, for me going back to the 1960s.

While each was beautiful in its own way, this latest project seems timeless, and so inspirational. What a wonderful space for us all to experience the love of God and grow in our

faith. I felt so much thanks and gratitude to our parish family for having the commitment to work together and make personal sacrifices to bring the renovation to fruition.



Bishop Callahan greets Susan Imm and her mother, Alice Wagner, at the Altar Dedication Mass on June 19.

We have done so much but yet our work is not quite done. There's one bit of business left from June that needs our attention: the *Inspired By the Spirit* campaign.

We started this parish and diocesan campaign a few months ago, and have made excellent progress toward our goal—nearly 70 percent. However, there is still significant work to do.

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THE GROUNDWORK FOR FUTURE SUCCESSES

As we get into the middle of summer, I find myself wanting to enjoy every possible moment outside with family and friends. We all find ourselves ready to fully embrace summer.

There is also the matter of a final push to bring our *Inspired By the Spirit* campaign to a successful completion. Joining with one another to reach our goal, we can set the groundwork for future successes, building upon what we have already enjoyed and accomplished.

In considering my family's pledge, it was important to recognize that the commitment is spread over five years, but not a one-time contribution. For those who haven't pledged yet, please consider a contribution of \$45 per month over these next five years.

As you attend Mass this Sunday, look around the new worship area and see what your dollars and the support of other parishioners has done so far, and imagine the greatness we all can continue to do.

— John Knoll, *Inspired By the Spirit* co-chair

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Mass of Dedication
of a New Altar

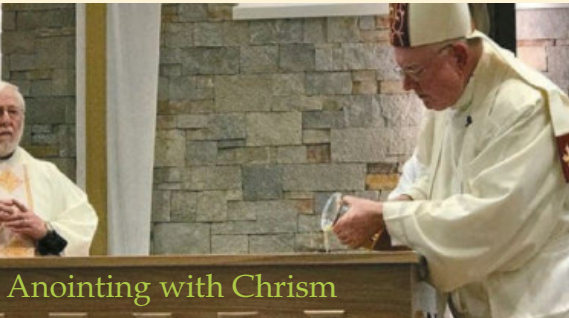


'BAPTIZING' OUR NEW ALTAR

Find more photos and video at StAnnesWausau.org/re-imagining.



Sprinkling with Water



Anointing with Chrism



Clothing with White



Surrounding with Light



INVITING CHILDREN, TEENS AND ADULTS TO TWO SUMMERTIME OPPORTUNITIES OF SERVICE, LEARNING, FAITH & FUN

GOD'S BIG BEAUTIFUL WORLD

Vacation Bible Camp July 25-29 at St. Anne

Children will experience Bible stories about God's amazing world and discover the ways God cares for every part of creation. Get complete details and registration info at stannesausau.org/vbs.

ADULTS AND TEENS are needed to help share the good news of

God's Big Beautiful World. Contact Lee Ann Lella, disciple formation co-director, to learn more - leeannl@stannesausau.org.



NCIS: Wausau Stay-at-Home Service Week

Aug. 8-12, 8:30 AM-4 PM daily, Hosted at Resurrection Parish

> Open to all youth ENTERING grades 6-8

> Leaders/Counselors: High school youth ENTERING grades 9-12 and adults ages 21+

NCIS: Wausau (Neighborhood Catholics In Service) Youth Summer Work Camp is a five-day local service experience designed to bring you in contact with others while serving the community. Instead of just "talkin' the talk," you'll be "walkin' the walk." Each day focuses on a different emphasis: service, justice education, community and prayer. Show up every morning at 8:30 a.m. You'll be done at 4 p.m. This fabulous week ends with a pool party on Friday! Registration fees will cover your transportation to and from work sites, daily snacks and drinks, and an awesome t-shirt. In order to reduce costs, we ask that you bring your own bag lunch. Learn more at stanneausau.org/youth-events.



HEALING: Anointing of the Sick July 23/24

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated July 23 and 24 at the 4 p.m., 8:30 and 10:30 Masses. Fr. Bill Grevatch, a senior priest of the diocese, will join Fr. Tom in offering this sacrament deeply rooted in the healing ministry of Jesus.

Who should be anointed? That's a question for each individual to answer because only we know our need for God's healing grace. Such healing often is needed beyond the obvious realities of injury and illness. Healing may be needed in spiritual, emotional or psychological ways. We may seek healing from overwhelming struggle and burden.

Jesus didn't set limits on his healing grace and neither does the Church. If you need such healing, please plan to participate. If you know someone who might benefit from encouragement and/or a ride to Mass, please extend that encouragement and invitation.



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This campaign will enable us to complete payment of renovation costs, satisfy our Diocesan Annual Appeal goal for 2022-23, support some needs of the diocese and, if we raise enough, pay off our remaining parish debt and build up our parish endowment, which will benefit parish programs in the future.

If you have not yet pledged to this five-year campaign, please join those who have in prayerfully considering what you will contribute. No amount is too small.

Together, we are leaving a legacy for future parishioners and families of St. Anne, and just as I feel so much appreciation for those who came before, in years to come, others will thank us for the good work that we have done.

— Susan Imm, *Inspired by the Spirit* co-chair

Parishioners have already pledged \$615,223, well more than half our goal.

Remember that 65 percent of all contributions benefit renovation costs and other St. Anne needs.

Help to keep the momentum going. Review pledge materials available at Mass or go to InspiredByTheSpirit.org.



COMMUNICATION

The most effective and timely means of communicating parish news is the weekly Quick Things email sent to parishioners on Wednesday mornings. The video includes a quick review of parish news, as well as occasional conversations related to the parish, matters of faith and current events. The email features links to a curated collection of videos, articles, prayers and podcasts.

If you're not getting the Quick Things email, it's probably because we don't have a correct email address. Send an email to mail@stanneswausau.org to rectify that problem.

LIVESTREAM: The 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is offered online. Links are posted in the the email and at StAnnesWausau.org.

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Have you given prayerful consideration to your contribution for this important parish/diocesan campaign? Information and pledging materials are available at church and at InspiredByTheSpirit.org.



MISSION & SERVICE

Young people and adults from St. Anne and neighboring parishes spent a week in Princeton, Ill., witnessing to the gospel by works of service, community and praise. The mission group included Gerard Cicha, Thomas Coady, Mykenzy Edwards, Wyatt Gasper, Brock Gasper, Gavin Hynes, Kaylee List, Sephorah Lofgren, Hanna Seidl, Stacie Stanke, Ava Sukanen, Buddy Watford and John Schmitt, co-director of disciple formation. Gain a better sense of the experience in a recent Quick Things Special Report; you'll find the link at stanneswausau.org/missiontrips.