



NEW PROJECTS

The parish had 20 solar panels installed on the church roof on April 28th of 2026. This will enable production of “green energy” for most of the year. According to data analysis of the parish’s electric usage, solar energy produced would suffice for daily electric needs except for the three Winter months of December, January, and February. Your donations supplemented by a grant of \$ 10,000.00 from Sacred Heart Fund enabled the parish to purchase and to install the panels at a total cost of \$30,000.00. Your generosity enables the parish to complete such projects even though located in rural Appalachia where poverty constrains our financial resource base. May God bless you all and I promise to remember you frequently at our Masses.

Sincerely Mark Ouma (Fr.)

To donate for a particular purpose, simply indicate it on the memo line of your check.

All gifts are tax deductible for this tax year as we are a non-profit organization.

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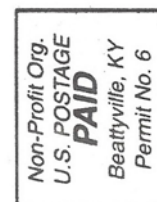
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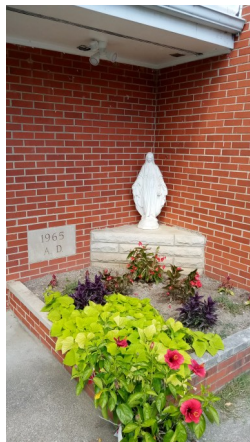
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Dear friends (Fall/Winter 26/27)

Greetings after a hiatus from our annual newsletter (I did not send any last year)! But as this year concludes, I have some updates and news from the parish this time around.

The main church building was dedicated in 1965! So, last year marked the 60th anniversary of the building. Way back on the 50th anniversary, the previous pastor requested for a papal blessing from then Pope Francis. The certificate of that papal blessing upon the parish is now framed and displayed prominently by the entrance to the social hall (see photo below).

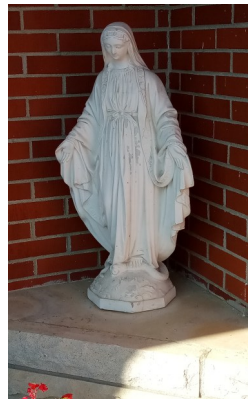


While I'm not able to turn back the time to 2025, meaningful upgrades befitting our 60th anniversary can still proceed.

To begin with, the statue of Our Lady of Grace which has welcomed parishioners and faithful worshipers to the church for many years is rather diminutive at just under 3 feet tall (precisely 35 inches). Made of solid stone with a white finish, it looks rather drab and the original paint is peeling off due to aging.

With assistance from you (our benefactors), a larger statue of 5 feet (60 inches) and fully colored is planned for a belated anniversary. The new statue would be made of heavy duty commercial-grade resin mixed with marble dust. The finish would be of specialized automotive-grade paint durable enough for exposure to all types of outdoor weather/elements. The size (enlarged) would fit the niche better than the current diminutive one. The silent message of the statue would be: Mary is welcoming all to her namesake church: "Queen of All Saints Church."

The cost of the proposed statuary would be \$ 5,550.00 (please refer to: <https://holylandartcompany.com>). Below is a rendition of the statue.



Current statue,



Proposed upgrade,

The older and smaller statue would still be used, but on a less prominent location within the church grounds. It will be a part of our parish history, as well as a compliment to the new one by reminding visitors of Mary's role as a powerful intercessor for graces to all. Just ask!

Continuing on the same vein of art as a tangible means to the divine, I noticed that the parish nativity set is worn out too. Some figurines have broken off parts. In addition, the scale factor is lacking. Notice the animals of the shepherds are all about



the same size (the donkey, the sheep, and a cow)! The Christ child is almost as large as the stable and barely fits inside. It seems the figurines were an assortment from different nativity sets hand picked and put together for our parish. It is a fitting

time to acquire a new set for a belated 60th anniversary! A typical set suitable for the parish would cost \$ 2,000.00.

Please know that we appreciate you and your donations large or small. May you have a blessed Christmas Season ahead!