

# Planning Study Results



We are excited to report the results of our Planning Study with input from 587 interviews and survey responses. Thanks to all of the participants for your candor and thoughtful consideration. Through this process we have been able to gain a better understanding of your support for a capital campaign and the proposed projects.

The Planning Study tested the interest and support for six proposed projects.

- REDUCE THE PARISH DEBT AND FUND MAJOR UPDATES
- IMPROVE PARKING AND TRAFFIC FLOW
- ADDITIONAL MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS FOR ALL AGES
- RELOCATE AND EXPAND THE CHAPEL
- REVITALIZE AND ENHANCE THE WORSHIP SPACE
- REDESIGN THE CHURCH FRONT

64 % of all respondents indicated they will financially support a capital campaign for St. Vincent de Paul. Of these, the project to **reduce debt and fund major updates received the highest priority**. For the full results of the planning study, please visit our website and click on *Planning Study Results*.

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, The Steier Group reported their findings to Fr. Paul, the parish trustees, and representatives from pastoral, finance and school councils, staff, and the facilities committee. They recommend that we move forward with a capital campaign. **Our parish leadership is in full agreement to proceed with this effort.** The overall goals of the campaign will be adjusted to reflect a greater priority in debt repayment.

Also, during the study some parishioners expressed concern over the effect the Archdiocesan bankruptcy proceedings and lawsuit against the parish may have on a campaign. Fr. Paul and campaign volunteers will specifically address these details as plans develop and as we learn more from the bankruptcy proceedings which we expect in the upcoming weeks. Leadership at St. Vincent de Paul is committed to carefully managing donations to ensure all contributions are protected and used as designated by parishioners.

In the upcoming weeks you will hear much more about this important initiative as we finalize our goals and discern how a campaign will strengthen our mission to Know, Love and Serve as disciples of Jesus Christ.

## About the Survey Participants

*Note: This information was not gathered in the in-pew survey.*

Years of Membership	#	% Who Will Give
0-5 Years	57	77%
6-10 Years	56	73%
11-20 Years	139	62%
21-30 Years	109	56%
31+ Years	153	56%
Not a Member / No Response	11	82%