



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Belchertown, MA

"Let your way of life among the people be such that whoever sees or hears you will glorify and praise our Heavenly Father." - St. Francis of Assisi

December 2025

Dear parishioners,

I am pleased to share that much progress has been made toward making our new Parish Center a reality.

These past several months, the Building Steering Committee has been working with the architects to block out and refine a workable floorplan for the new Parish Center. This work took into consideration our community's current space needs, as documented in detailed Sub-Committee reports, along with anticipation of future parish growth.

The architects are currently working from the blocks of the workable floorplan to create a 3D rendering of the new building. The rendering will give us a sense of: what the blocks will look like as rooms; where the parish center will be located on our Jabish Street campus; and how it will complement the existing Church building.

We have also begun working with a professional fundraising group to assist us with our upcoming capital campaign which will include funding our Parish Center building, as well as our portion of the Diocesan Capital Campaign – "Beacon of Faith" and two years of Annual Catholic Appeal contributions.

I am eager to share visuals of this project with the community in the next couple of months and ask you to continue praying for our new parish center.

In Christ,

Fr. David