

☞ UPDATE ON THE PARISH CENTER ☞

In May of 2019, Chris Welsh informed you of events related to the termination of our lease with Cambridge School; the execution of a feasibility study regarding the subdivision of our property; and the retention of KLNB as a broker to market the parish center school building for sale/lease.

After six months of being listed; many inquiries; multiple tours; several conference calls; frequent consultations with the Finance Council and Parish Pastoral Council; a couple of offers from prospective buyers; and countless emails from our Archdiocesan attorneys and advisors; I am pleased to report that in December 2019 I signed a Letter Of Intent from a prospective buyer: *Yeshivas Torahs Simcha* - an Orthodox Jewish elementary school for boys based in Pikesville.

While our representatives and their attorneys draft and negotiate a Contract of Sale regarding their purchase of the parish center, we are continuing with the process of requesting the subdivision of the property by Baltimore County; as well as exploring options for the storage of materials and equipment presently housed in the parish center.

If all goes well, the school building would be sold by June. We will continue to use it until the close of the sale, but will need to find other venues to host our parish events and festivities beginning in July. Additionally, a building committee will begin to make plans for the development of the property between the cemetery and Sudbrook Lane—on which we hope to construct a new multi-purpose parish center to meet our faith community's needs for mission and ministry in the 21st century.

As this process continues, Chris and I will continue to keep you updated on the sale of the building, and all of the associated developments. Please keep praying for the success of this venture that we will be blessed with the wisdom and grace to discern the best way to be good and faithful stewards of the resources of our parish.

- *Fr. Jerry Francik*