



November 6, 2024

Greetings St. Margaret Parishioners:

One of the first things I heard when I arrived back on July 1, 2023 was that this parish has leaking roofs. While we were examining the roofs, we noticed that mortar between our bricks was also crumbling. We were in the initial phases of the pastoral planning team, so most facility needs were put on hold. Now, with the help of our part-time parish Custodial Coordinator, Chuck Blasius, and our new full-time pastorate Director of Facility Management, Lance Moeller, we received bids from competing companies.

This summer, with the approval of our parish Finance Council, Architectural Roofing & Sheetmetal temporarily patched an architecturally problematic portion of our roof over the office area for a few thousand dollars. Those leaks are stopped for now, but we need revisit that issue within a couple years.

Architectural Roofing also offered a bid to repair a problematic portion of the roof around the bell inside of our bell tower. This roofing issue was more substantial and came in at \$41,700.00. With the approval of our Finance Council, we accepted their bid and they hope to complete the job late fall, 2024 or early spring, 2025. We are now awaiting their arrival.

This summer, Midcontinental Restoration Company offered a 3-Part bid to tuckpoint all of the crumbling portions of our facilities. This mortar issue is substantial. It came in at \$110,745.00 if we did all 3 parts or \$125,260.00 if we chose to do the 3 parts over an extended period. With the approval of the Finance Council, we accepted MRC's lower bid to do all 3 parts. MRC is now on site and hope to complete their work by late Fall, 2024 or early Spring, 2025. The roofing and tuckpointing bids will total \$152,445.00.

This leads us to our facility fundraiser, "Let's Tuck In & Go Raise the Roof!" The Finance Council and Diocese of Sioux Falls both approved our short-term fund-raising event and it begins now with this November, 2024 mailing and concludes on January 1, 2025. So that work can continue uninterrupted, our goal is to have our 235 households of St. Margaret Parish raise \$150,000.00 within the next 60 days.

On the bottom portion of this letter, please find a form which you can cut off, add either your pledge or one-time contribution, and place them both in an envelope marked "Let's Tuck In & Go Raise the Roof." The envelope can then be returned by mail, the Sunday collection, or by dropping it off at the central office at St. Margaret Church. All contributions will be directed to this fund-raising event. If we go over \$152,445.00, we will deposit such overages into St. Margaret's Building & Grounds Fund. St. Margaret, thank-you for your generosity and support. We can do this! "Let's Tuck In & Go Raise the Roof!"

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Richard D. Fox,
Pastor of St. Margaret



St. Margaret's Tuck & Go

One Time Gift

- \$250 \$1,000
- \$500 \$2,000
- \$750 \$_____

Gift Amount:

Total Amount Pledged: \$_____

Amount Enclosed \$_____

Payment Method:

- Check Enclosed - **make payment to St. Margaret's.**
Check Memo - Tuck & Go
- Cash Enclosed

Drop your gift in Sunday collection labeled St. Margaret's Tuck & Go, mail to the address below, or drop off at the office:

St. Margaret's Parish - PO Box 137, Kimball, SD 57355