July 15, 2016

Dear Parishioners:

Summer is usually the time of year that we do certain maintenance and construction projects. School is not in session, religious education classes are on break, and some groups take a hiatus from their meetings. This year is no exception. Allow me to list what is going on.

The parking lot will undergo some minor paving and a slurry seal over all. Doing this regularly prevents more extensive work later on. The parking area will be restriped. This work will be done section by section, so that there is always parking available. I also hope to have some signs installed around the parking lot notifying all that this parking is for church use only. Cars parking for Del Cerro Park and the hiking trails have begun to make their way up Crenshaw and even into our lot.

The spotlights in church will be repositioned. When the church was finished, the spotlights were not accomplishing their purpose because they were positioned too far into the ceiling panels. They effectively were screened out. A temporary measure was to cut out the paneling to enable the light to go through more directly. Now spotlights will be outside the panels and shine more effectively on the altar, ambo, and crucifix. The gaps in the ceiling will then be closed. This project may be going on as you receive this letter.

The reception area in the parish office will be remodeled to provide added security and create an office for Andrea Fowler, our Administrative Specialist. She has been cramped into what had been a storage room. I expect this to take place some time in August.

The wall situated behind the choir will be removed to make way for the organ pipes. It was designed by the architect as a false wall until we were in a position to install a pipe organ. Behind that wall is a large open space for the mechanisms of the pipe organ. We had been using it as storage space. Things may look unsightly in the church for a while but will be quite beautiful when the pipes are installed. Please be patient.

Even if you are not with us because of vacations, I hope that you will find a church for your Sunday worship wherever you are. For help finding a church, you can log in to <u>www.masstimes.org</u>. To continue supporting your parish while you are away, please consider electronic giving through <u>www.faithdirect.com</u>. May you have a restful summer.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. David A. Sork Pastor