

Welcome To

St. Peter Church

Geneva, Illinois

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 18, 2007



From Msgr. Joe

As mentioned at Masses this weekend, Paul & Linda Fritz and Steve & Jennifer Sloma have accepted the position of chairpersons for our Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century campaign. I am confident that both couples will provide the necessary leadership and enthusiasm to ensure the success of our fund drive.

I am also pleased to acknowledge and thank the following individuals who readily accepted the call to assist our chairpersons with this campaign: Dick & Norma Jaeger, Paul & Nancy Krueger, Berni Mayer, Tony & Tricia Olinger, Paul & Jill Rindone and Randy & Peg Tavierne. When you see these individuals some time this week, please don't forget to say "thank you."



Over the next couple of weeks, these individuals will be recruiting other parishioners to assist them with the fund drive. If you're called, please remember that when Jesus called Peter, he dropped his nets immediately to become a fisher of men. Thank you in advance for making a gift of self.

Q&A

Q What is Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century?

A Upon this Rock...Securing the Next Century is the name of the campaign in progress at our parish. After much study and discussion, the Finance Council decided to proceed with this fund drive to eliminate the parish debt and to establish an endowment with two accounts. One of these accounts will be for parish needs and the other for Catholic education necessities.

Q What is the goal of this campaign?

A We have established a goal of \$2.6 million with a challenge target of \$3.2 million.

Q Why not just continue to pay the debt over 15 years and "stay the course?"

A It is good stewardship to implement this fund drive at this time! A successful campaign, along with proceeds for the first few years from the Barn Sales, will save the parish approximately \$850,000 in interest and will decrease the loan payment period from 15 to eight years. Interest saved on loan payments will be injected back to the parish to enhance programs and ministries. It will allow us the freedom to better function as a Christian community and meet the growing needs of our parishioners.