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⇒ The Ministry for Tomorrow Program has reached an important milestone! With construction soon to begin, we will soon see our plans become reality.

⇒ According to our architect, the construction drawings have been completed and reviewed. The next step, the permit process, takes about four weeks. At the same time our general contractor is seeking formal bids from potential subcontractors. Our architect expects that work should start on the renovation sometime in the last two weeks of July.

⇒ Commencement of this project moves the MFT campaign from planning to execution. This shift reflects the culmination of many months of careful evaluation of our needs and an equally careful consideration of costs. **THIS IS EXCITING!** Two pieces of our MFT program are now being implemented, with both the pipe organ acquisition and renovation of our welcoming and worship spaces in the Nave, Narthex and Chapel moving toward completion.



⇒ Our careful stewardship of campaign gifts puts us in great position to move for ward. It also means that our **campaign cash outflow will accelerate significantly**. In addition to requiring a move into the current Parish Hall for all worship events once the Nave becomes a construction zone, the start of construction means that the time for all families to make commitments to the MFT plan has moved from “somewhere in the future” to the summer and fall of 2008, and that those who have made commitments need to be faithful in keeping up with the schedule of payments that were indicated on their commitment cards. **COME JOIN** the financial effort that is making this happen!

⇒ At the time the NET went to press, we have received commitments from about 46 % of our membership, and continue to gain on our \$2.1M goal. So far, MFT commitments amount to \$1,131,020.74, or 54% of the goal.

⇒ The Baroque Concert, the May Fair, and the Mens' Fellowship activities have already made a great contribution by providing \$10,000 to the campaign, with many other great fundraising ideas in process, particularly the upcoming Christmas Bazaar on **November 15th**. These fundraisers offer a way for every one to add time and talent to the generous financial contributions that have fueled the campaign's success so far. Please make plans to participate in the Bazaar and other activities! If you would like to help, plan and organize the Christmas Bazaar, please contact Anne Brannam (abrannam@casualpenguin.com).



⇒ Be sure to visit the parish website often, at www.standrews.net, for updates about the Ministry for Tomorrow program.