

St. Charles Borromeo Church
21 Sidney Place
Brooklyn, NY 11201

July 7, 2013

Dear St. Charles Borromeo Parish Family,

As everyone is aware, construction has been ongoing since mid-2011 to convert the parish convent into the St. Charles Borromeo Rectory and Parish Center. In early 2012, a determination was made by the Trustees, Finance and Building Committees, and Fr. Ed to sever the relationship between St. Charles Borromeo and DP Consulting. This decision was made because of issues arising from extensive delays and the quality of workmanship.

The new contractor, Tall Builders, was hired in 2012, and has been doing an excellent job on all the needed repairs and renovations to the Rectory and Parish Center. We anticipate that the building renovations will be completed sometime in the late fall of 2013. Once all work is finalized, the parish will host an open house for all parishioners to see the new Rectory/Parish Center. The Parish Center will provide the parish with much needed meeting space for parish committees, religious education programs and classes, and a rectory that will be able to accommodate Fr. Ed, Fr. Sobiech and up to three additional priests-in-residence.

We also wanted to make all parishioners aware that, after a thorough review of the problems with the initial renovation work on the Parish Center it was deemed necessary to initiate a lawsuit against DP Consulting for damages resulting from DP's failure to timely and properly complete renovation of the convent in 2011. We will continue to provide updates to the parish on progress of the renovations and the lawsuit.

Your brothers and sisters in Christ,

Fr. Ed, Angela DeMarco, Frank Pond, Jeanne Kane, Michael Towers, Matt Freimuth, Donna Whiteford, Eugene McArdle