

Good planning is half the battle
New Church Option - Safer - More Space
I paid for this church. This church can be expanded. They told us. We can put in a balcony. We don't need 7th & 8th grade. They can go to the public school and participate in more sports.
We can't lock ourselves in capacity and we need to build a new church. (with character)
Where will religion classes be taught? I do like the new church option because it is safer and leaves room for improvement.
Like new church options because - safer with vehicles, room for expansion, provides for secure school, area in church for religion classes.
I think that there should be a trail that has each station on the cross along it in the form of a statue similar to the way the Shrine in our Lady of Good Help has a walkable Stations of the Cross. (see diagram)
New Church
New Church Option - best option I think
New Church Option - seems to make the most sense.
Appears that Pro's vs. Con's was intentionally inflated for the new church vs. adding onto existing church has decision already been made? - Initial church was meant to be expanded. Why not expand? Add a fourth Mass, if still needed? - Appears that in "New Church Option", existing church space is not being utilized wisely rooms made that would be used very little.
I am not a member here. Our parish office is not connected to school or church. Therefore, it has created a conflict between school and parish staff. Also our church cannot be left opened. How would you address that? Also handicap accessibility/parking should be a priority.
Option 2 looks for future. Safety important.
I think a new church makes the most sense. Thank you!
Would like to see a ballpark figure of the cost for the 2 options. How do we plan to finance the projects & for how long?
What is the cost difference between remodel and new? Can you build a new church and have future expansion when needed? I think a basement is a must for storage and future expansion.
Print up pros & cons on website.
Option 1 remodel? - Wednesday Mass kids walking outside? Danger!!!
Option 2 - So the students will have to walk to church if still doing that weekly?
I think we have to go all out now!
With Greenville's growth in the next 15 years again, it would be wiser to Build New. Otherwise we won't be able to expand existing and waste money doing a short-term solution. Thanks, well thought out!
New Church. Want new kitchen in the new church for funerals, etc.
Existing church option is ideal.
According to the pro's & con's-it appears that the new church is the way to go. How is this getting funded?
The new church sounds like the way to go.
New church makes the most sense - Safety - total new facility - cost, yes cost more but more bang for the buck.
New Church - As coming here from a town that built a new church - it makes no sense to not build - build it and they will come. :)
How about adding another Mass on Sundays?
New building for church.
Increase handicap parking - Locked secure system for church & school is a must - Increase handicap seating for W/C's scooters, walkers, etc.
New Church Option is the right choice for our future.
Build New Church - I believe at sometime a school expansion would be necessary, could be done with new church. Separating the school from the church. I do not feel is a problem. Actual Benefits.

I like the safety features of the new church option with getting traffic off Hwy 76, not walking across the parking lot, secure the school. New church offers future expansion.

Expand the church through the narthex and the west for a community hall for overflow.

I think the plan that has a new church building is best.

Without budgetary costs for engineering & construction for both options, it's tough to give input. All decisions are going to be based on funds available, needed and ability to meet the cost needs.

New Church Option is best. Are new sprinklers required in the transition of old church to new school?

Looking to the future of our community the New Church Option seems to solve more of our needs.

It looks like the new church option far outweighs any advantages of reworking the existing facility. Being able to use the existing church during construction is a plus. Safety of the new Blvd. to parking is a major improvement.

Wonderful presentation - thank you. Proposed plans look very promising and will accommodate our needs. We need to move forward at all costs. God bless St. Mary Immaculate Conception.

Very excited about a new church. Greenville will continue to expand and we will need more space than the current facility can provide.

First Reaction - Remodeling existing church makes no sense. There would be no way to expand in the future. - New Church offers options to phase in new features over time as budget allows. - New Church fixes parking/traffic problems.

Pro New Church.

I like the New Church plan, but would like to see a chapel or something like that in the existing space for kids to go to Mass during the week.

Concerned that when activities held in the school facility (if church & school) are separate - people will leave & not bother to go to school facility - right now people don't even want to go to gym for special events. - Separate church may inconvenience for older parishioners & disabled.

Steve has done a great job with his study. He shows the future need is a must for enlarging our church and school. We have to move forward.

WOW - like new

I don't like that the church is not connected to the school. The new church should be built and connected to the west of the new gym and facing south. Not having the school & church connected is a problem for school Masses and funeral lunches.

One entrance /exit seems it would be more congested in & out.

New Church is my choice. Need a study of cemetery. I think it will become full.

Thanks, Steve. I think we need a New Church. The school & church should be in separate buildings. I love this church and don't want to lose it but feel it's necessary.

New Church - so you can expand.

I like the idea of the New Church Option. It seems to provide more safety in terms of traffic. Also it leaves options for further expansion if need in the future. - My concern would be how much more does the "New Church" Option cost in comparison to renovating the "Existing Church".

New Church Option seems best. Allows for safer school options while also allowing church use away from school.

The New Church Option seems most appropriate.

What are estimated cost of each option? How will it be funded?

What is the capacity of the New Church?

If we build the New Church, would there be any options for a public meeting areas people could use for events?

New Church Option seems to make the most sense. Flows better, security improved, safety improved, expansion options.

A New Church would be better for our needs.

The Pros/Cons as shown are clearly pointing to a New Church. Projected growth in Greenville also points to new building with more flexibility for future expansion.

Was impressed with all the needs addressed that I had not considered. - The church membership and Greenville area population increase information was helpful. - Would make the school very appealing on terms of facilities like art, music & science rooms.

NEW NEW NEW

Putting New Church out back makes the most sense long term. It was difficult to see the details on the screen during the presentation.

What will be provided for weekly worship for the children? Getting small children ready for Mass during the winter takes a great deal of time.

We need a New Church. How much will it cost?

Go New. Build New Church Option need more info as to features and costs. Allows for future growth. Site presentations were very informative. Good thought studies.

I vote for New Church.

Not a big cost difference between the two options. It is important to have a bigger space of parking from the highway.

New Church. Students need to go outside to get to church for school Mass. Security wise would be unsafe for the students.

What are the church plans? Day Care? Before/after school care? Chapel in school? Would funerals stay in church?

Windows? Can't we bring them to the New Church? Can we bring the painted ceiling from the last church to the new church?

The second option - New Church - provides much more flexibility in terms of expansion and additional types of classrooms for the school. I like that the church and school would be separate places, for logical reasons. I would not have considered (safety, noise control, funerals). The second option is one we can grow into.

I like the 2nd Option - New Church - best. It allows for future growth. The 1st plan addresses our needs today and eases us into the next few years, but I would like to think a home for God and His "children" would grow faster than anticipated. Again, we don't need to finish the new church top to bottom, or ask families if they would like to donate a pew or a sq. yd. of carpet, etc.

Are we considering putting a basement under any of the new construction? Storage/safety-tornadoes.

How can you say that we won't be in debt?

Who will control someone thinking only for top notch? Can it be done and still have a home feeling? Why do you need a basement?

Great Presentation & Ideas! Under existing option could the church be added on to the east and push the addition further east & connect with a hall?

Would the changes eliminate the need for students to be transported to GMS/GME for additional classes such as special education, music and other classes.

In 15 years until now the church attendance has increased, but from 2017-2032 I believe the growth estimates wouldn't need 800+ in attendance. That said, from a safety standpoint a separate church with better traffic flow makes very positive changes. - What are the projected cost per family unit over xx number of years? Also consider of 1,000 units today only 5-55% are weekly paying families to the church.

Go forth with New Construction of Church.

My preference is to build New Church.

With Greenville expanding I would vote for the New Church Option with the potential to expand.

Plan 2 with New Church the focus for the future is much better.

Go with Option 2.

We are a young family with a 1 yr. old and are hoping God blesses us with more children that we plan to send to St. Mary's school. Our vote for the parish is to start fresh & build the New Church. It is a good investment in the future. We would much rather send our children to the new school that can accommodate all their needs. Thank you!

No brainer New Church is the way to go. Come Holy Spirit. Seating for 1000 minimum.

Go big or go home. :) New Church to accommodate new growth of Greenville/Hortonville/Ellington.

New Church Option with gathering space in the New Church. - Skip the addition on to the school at this point. Isn't the additional space from using the old church enough?

Need to emphasize church mission of evangelization. It is not good enough to see our "house" as only serving us. Need to understand that it should be a beacon to community. Needs to be welcoming accommodating environment. People who are luke warm will not fire up in a crowded narthex. - Be prepared for option of close-circuit Mass. On busy Masses could broadcast to gym on a big screen to handle overflow. Christmas/Easter. I've seen this done in parishes that have smaller Masses but huge holidays.

Initial vote would be for Option B. What are the future plans for the school? - Enrollment size (10 yr. plan?) - Marketing Campaign, how will we market it for growth? - Is there room for expansion? (for the school)

From a long term perspective the New Church Option makes the most sense. We are willing to help pay for the added cost associated with this New Church Plan.

Local Contractors? Mass attendance numbers don't add up? Can we add pews or loft in church? Can we add extra service? Already paid for gym years ago.

Have you considered expanding the church to the North? Tearing down the old school area and building school addition?

Get Greenville to lower speed limit 1/4 mile before church to 30 mph. What about elect? Mechanical, plumbing?

The church has been freezing cold at all masses, in all areas of church. PLEASE turn the heat on and the AC off or close the doors to keep the heat in. Thank you.

We trust your leadership. We will support a New Church.

I support New Church Option. Remodel does not enable future expansion. This just kicks the can down the road and 25 years from now it will be too small.

Add a Mass on Sunday - Add gym - Won't get enough money for years for New Church.

Not sure I would want kids leaving school to church. They utilize church frequently now. Why didn't we look at entrance from road by priest rectory? If we grow this much wouldn't we get another priest therefore not need such large church & add masses.

Probably need New Church. Question Cost?

I like the New Church Option.

The existing church option does not address the needs of the church. I believe a New Church is the best option for St. Mary's future.

Option 2.

I feel the New Church is the best option.

I think the option for a New Church makes more sense.

Go New!

New. I believe in God's Holy Will & Trust in Him.

New Church.

I vote a New Church.

Boulevard Exit - Assuming most traffic heads south bound on 76. It appears more space to allow access to the left hand have (North bound) may help traffic flow on the south bound right hand have fills up - north bound traffic can't access the left hand lane.

I like New Church Option. Just so we keep the spiritual intimacy and that it isn't the large cold open concept we tend to see in new churches.

We need to look to the future & be proactive in expanding for all expected growth. The numbers don't lie! A New Church is the only logical solution. This is a strong community that will pull together to raise the needed funds.
Like the New Church Option. More flexibility for the future.
New Church!!
Is there a room for banquets? Like a wedding reception? Does the New Church Option have new stain glass windows?
Since we need to finance up front it would be quicker to update existing. Is there anyway to expand the existing church to beyond??? Move the mechanical rooms!
Long Range you would have to build a New Church.
Add New Church. God will provide!
We should go with New Church Option because existing church option won't fix our problem.
Go with New Church Option!
With the growth of Greenville, this parish will grow. Need a New Church!
Long Term for the best of church, families & school New Option is best. Important to update school to increase enrollment.
New Church! :))
I would say it is time for a New Church building in order to plan and be prepared for the future of our facility.
New Church! Woohoo! Good bye red carpet. :))
Been through this process at a previous parish. It has the potential to divide parishioners and cause bitterness. People will vote for a new church because it has all of what people want, but when it comes time to pay for it no one wants to step up. I don't get the feeling our parish is wealthy and suggest remodel option to keep cost down in this bad economy.
I had no idea that this project had so much remodeling for the school. We talked about the increase (possible) of parishioners in the next 15 years - but is it worth putting so much effort in the school? What's the data to support increase in space for students? I thought we were just trying to seat more people? What's the current financial state of the school?
New is always appealing expansion option great expense could be inhibitive. Can we assume same growth rate for Greenville? How are the numbers within the school? Looking to expand either way but is it necessary? I hope so, but..... We joined St. Mary's after searching for 3 yrs. to feel at home at a parish. Part of it's intimacy (small) is what drew us in. Thought we could form bonds. I wouldn't mind seeing the church be a little "prettier." More stained glass.
Even though we know it's going to cost a lot, we'd go with the new construction of a church. You never know how much remodeling old buildings are going to cost due to "surprises" along the way. Do it right the first time -- just don't go too big on the church as I like being in a full church rather than a big church with too much empty space.
If we are going to keep the school going, then a new church makes the most sense. My concern would be with the school. Private schools are closing down all over and our own sometimes has issues attracting or keeping the school full. A lot of the plans center around the school. How can we ensure our school is going to grow or keep going strong in order to justify the renovation. Overall if we can be confident the school will grown/maintain, then I would say we need a new church.
I am for a new church.
New church sounds like the most responsible option for future. This addresses traffic flow issues and school needs best.
Nice to have options presented. Appreciate the forum. It's a no brainer -- we need to go with a new church. Adding on to existing church is short-sided and limits the future of the site.
Build a new church.

New church option for sure! If we continue to grow and NOT build , may well be revisiting this problem again in 5-10 years.
Let's build a new church.
If you build it, they will come! Build a new church.
No numbers for new parish members -- How many new and projected? Not enough options -- why not build up?
New church! No brainer!
Love the idea of the new church, but is there a more practical model? Could we make it cheaper?
Let's do this right or defer until we can do it right. Build a new facility and look for ways it can also be used to generate revenue. Wedding receptions, gym rentals, meeting room rental.
The new church option seems to be the only reasonable option. I support it!
It is clear we need a new church -- that option fulfills all the needs. We need to have faith that God will provide.
What/how will this all be paid for? Does it make sense to make a new church that is larger right away vs. having to add on in the future. Which option will be most cost effective?
Student access to blessed sacrament, confession, etc. Easy access in times of need. Separation between church and school may decrease frequency of access. Can we have adoration chapel in school?
Sounds like the new constructive church is the best plan for providing enough space for the future. I like the idea of having a road to the school off Hwy. 76 for more safety. I'd love to have an adoration chapel! If it's not that much more \$ to build a new church, that makes more sense.
How is the entrance/exit by the rectory going to be handled? How long will each option take to build?
I am totally in favor of the new church option.
Build a new church.
New church option is best.
New church is best.
New church is really the true and only option. Practicality, safety, future thinking! If Father Peter stays long term you need to build a Large Church.
Remodeling existing church would be putting a band aid on this problem. Love the idea of a new church. Support funding this for our growing parish. Concerned about the cost of all the updates to the school. Difficult time funding this when we have great schools in Greenville already. Those that choose to send their children to Catholic school should be funding the school. We are already paying for schools in our taxes. I would support capital campaign for new church only. We are blessed to have a great faith formation program.
I believe we need a new church instead of remodeling.
Will the integrity of the existing parts be respected? E.g. old church windows, etc., if new church is built? Basement in new church would provide additional space if new church option is selected. Because of a growing community, a new church option will be better.
I am for a new church model. Come Holy Spirit.....
New church design is the way to go -- room for expansion and makes the most effective use of space for both church and school. Existing church design won't even solve the existing space issues during the busy Masses -- and worse, there won't be overflow seating! Build a beautiful church for the glory of God! He will provide!
Would like to see the new church option; however, some of the expense should be paid through school increase. Would be helpful to know what average family would need to give for this to happen.
The new church option best allows our congregation and school to grow into the future. If our strategy is to simply maintain the status quo, go with the existing church option. If we want to grow, let's build the new church.
New church with 1000 seating. Do we have a parish meeting area for coffee and donuts after church?

Could a parish library be incorporated, accessible before/after Mass? So adults, families would have access to spiritual reading, DVDs, etc. Go for option with separate church!
How will the new construction for the school impact tuition?
New church option!
New church. Remodeling would not fulfill church capacity for 10:00 Mass. What about the future?
Building a new church would be better.
I think with remodel we would be out of room in a few years. We need to at least double size. I think we need it. New church plan.
I would be sad to not have church in the church that we've been attending for so long - married here, children baptized here, but I think the "new church option" simply makes more sense. Greenville is growing, and there are so many people coming here from surrounding communities.
We like option 2 - new church. Love the pre K addition - gym to the school - shows we want to expand.
The question that needs to be answered is if we remodel the existing church, how long until we have to expand again? If it's 5-10 years, then it's not really an option. If it's not, then it makes sense.
Why couldn't we have 3 Masses on Sunday?
I feel it would be better to build a new church rather than remodel. Hopefully we would be set for the future.
New church is best option.
Consider option to attach a new church to existing structures, such as via a walkway.
I like the new church option - especially if we can continue to use the stained glass windows. 24-hr Adoration Chapel, allows future expansion, can make the nave edifying.
I would prefer a new church.
Will the children still have to do their laps at recess?
I support moving forward with the new church option. The existing church option makes no sense for future growth and security. Details of the redesigned areas must be evaluated and tweaked if needed to ensure needs are met satisfactorily. It was presented as very "locked in."
I support the new church option.
New church. Remodeling would not fulfill church capacity for 10:00 Mass. What about the future?
Feel that expansion is necessary. Which option? Building a new church does sound like the better option. My question is more on How do we raise the funds to perform this?
New church meets more of the need. If funds are an issue with folks, could you do them in phases? (i.e. church first) Probably makes sense to do it all at once with a new church.
Currently St. Mary's does not have any debt. So where is the \$ that is collected each week at church go? Are we saving any to help pay for this?
Can we put in some cushions in the church seats. Every time after church my behind is numb.
I'd like to suggest a study be done on the school population able to support this? Traffic flow and parking is a priority.
With the new church option, there is no safe walking space between the school and the church. The children have to walk across a busy parking lot. How will that safety concern be addressed? Also, the children currently have indoor access to the Church and Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Won't having separate facilities discourage their opportunities for adoration and quiet time with Jesus when the kids have to suit up during inclement weather (much of the year). Could a chapel be added to the school, while building a new church? We are praying for this. God bless you Father Peter, for your leadership! We've got your back!
We need to look at a new church and the school remodel to effectively address the needs of the church and school. God will provide! Don't forget to accommodate the choir/music program!
Future limits with current church is a major concern. Also still has major safety concerns. We will be in the same position in a few years. A new church will better solve our current and future needs!
Existing.

I really like the new church idea. With that being said, the cost difference is pretty daunting. I have faith we will find the money no matter what option we choose. Especially with the projected growth of Greenville.
Can we have more space in the church -- like a lot more?
New church answers present needs and future expansion.
Is the school growing? To justify upgrades to it?
We definitely need a new church building. I would like to see the new church connected to the school. Remodeling does not solve our current problems. Let's invest in the future of this beautiful parish.
I think that building a new church is the better decision.
The new church seems to be a much better option.
Although more costly, the new church option provides for more school/church safety and the needs of a growing church.
I am liking the idea of a new church, but am concerned about the substantial cost. If we go with the remodeling of current church, there is no room for future growth.
Will new church have a basement? If we build new will any windows of beauty (existing church) be transferred over to new church? Growing community does not mean Catholics! I would prefer it is said we have an opportunity to grow.
Looks like we need to move to new church option. If keep existing, what happens to cry room area?
The new church option is the way to go! Looking forward to the expansion and safety! Come Holy Spirit!
What was the plan for expansion when existing church was built? Was there any option to add onto existing and add onto school? Will tuition be affected by school additions? Practical option would be #2.
I would vote for a "new" church. The safety and ability to expand makes more sense with this option.
The planning and openness in this process has been excellent. I applaud Father Peter for making that happen. I believe a long-term outlook is the best approach. I favor the new church option.
The new church option definitely is more appealing. Let's do it up! Prayers and efforts all around.
With the projected growth of Greenville, I vote for new.
The new church will welcome new members/support and the school plan will accommodate and attract more students/families. If you build it, they will come.
Build the new church with chapel in school.
Go for the new church, the funding will come.
New church option.
How many families do we have at St. Mary's? What would the cost be per family for each plan?
Build a new church makes the most sense based on future growth. It would be unfortunate if we would need to do this again in 10 years.
Will the new church option be too expensive? Will the current design of the building be continued? Is the church going to be expanded? Or just the narthex? Where will Mass be held when the building is under construction?
Reactions to initial design -- Parking lot safety concerns has been a large concern for our family. Putting \$ into current church will be a waste in 10 years. Do we really need \$4MM school remodel? Is enrollment increasing? If we build itthey will come? Is there an option in the middle i.e. \$2.5MM for school?
Has there been a substantial growth (influx) of students at school? What is being "stored" in off-site storage? How often is "it" (materials being stored) being used?
New church option.
Existing church option.
Existing church option would be beneficial because that is how it was built in the first place.
I vote for new church option. Better security, traffic flow. Future proofing. Ability to better worship.
We need additional space for sure! I would like to see us be able to use the existing church as much as possible.

My initial thought is that a new church is the best option. However my question is what is our projected income flow to help pay for it? Also how many years does this project us out to pay for church? Also are we looking at adding baseball and soccer fields? I am excited about having a place where I can not only send my kids to school but a place where they can have their wedding and receptions as they grow and get married.
Without knowing the cost, it's hard to say definitely but based on the presentation, I believe the new church option is best. The security and safety improvements are significant. The ability to expand the cemetery is very nice. I think the gathering space improvements are essential. And in looking toward the future, the existing church option doesn't seem to be able to truly meet the parish and school needs. We would still end up with crowding issues. If we want to reach out to our youth and our community, the space for programs, the adoration chapel, and aesthetic appeal are key.
Must focus on school security. Timeline for new church vs. remodel option?
New church option seems to offer more opportunity for future growth.
We recommend option 2 for further church needs.
Please publish the two proposals with sketches and data.
Are accommodations made for a choir rehearsal space? And storage of choir materials? Close to the church?
New
Option 2 is a no brainer! Let's do this!
Parish center should be attached to church for funerals, parish presentations and other parish related activities. Or a basement underneath church. I don't think a gym is needed. There are enough in the area. Faith formation will need more space if predictions are true. Pick up and drop off is still a problem. Too much emphasis being put on school. Statistics showing that Catholic schools are closing. This would expand the need for religious education on Wed. nights.
Will the additional people coming now continue to come and support the additional building needs of the parish?
Seems like the addition would not solve many issues for now or in the future. Would like to see new church connected to gym addition so children would not have to cross over to Mass and also for funerals.
New church option is cool.
I think we should build a new church. It would be better for expansion in the future.
Doesn't make sense to add on/remodel if we will outgrow the church in a few years. I vote for building a new church! Thanks for all your work!
If you decide to build a new church, please add some style (tradition). Many modern churches have the feel of gymnasiums.
If we do go with the option of a new church, can an option be explored to attach the church to the addition instead of being across the parking lot? (Diagram on back of card.)
To use the narthex - pattern after St. Bernadette's in Appleton. Build onto existing church. Add gym and basement and fix Wanda's kitchen.
Go New.
If we build a new church, will it be open during the day? Will there have to be someone at the church to guard it? I won't want a new church if it has to be locked during the day for security reasons. If the church can be open, then I think the new church is the best idea.
We need a new, bigger church. It significantly lessens my spiritual experience sitting in the Narthex.
We need a new church!
If we are going to build, let's do it right and build a new & larger church. Then let's focus on filling up the pews with those who may have fallen away from the church.
New church. Don't limit us for the future!
Like the new church option, but does not look safe to have people walking through the parking lot from the school. How about moving the parking lot. (See diagram)
Is there going to be another option for design layout?

It is important to provide for the future of the church and school. We need a church that is large enough and there only the new church will serve.

Please build in a (hearing) "loop" to facilitate the hearing impaired participation in the service.

Yes, great idea. New church to fit congregation.