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Dear parishioner,

Since my arrival at Our Lady of Hope three years ago, I have been aware that our beautiful church building is in need of interior painting. In fact many parishioners have mentioned this reality to me. In 2008 the parish spent an excess of \$20,000 to repair areas of the roof that had rotted out, creating leaks that were damaging the interior wails. The roof is now sound and it is safe to paint.

A few months ago, with the "blessing" of our parish finance council I hired a professional interior designer to make recommendations to us. He has completed his work. I accepted his recommendations, consulted with various contractors, and now I would like to propose a plan to the parish for these improvements. They will consist of painting the church, replacing the floor, and re-finishing the pews. This project will require a capital campaign, similar to the one we had not too many years ago, in which parishioners will be asked to make a sacrificial monetary gift over the course of two years.

At the Masses this weekend, June 19-20, 2010, I invited all of our parishioners to a presentation of the concept and drawings by interior designer, John Pierce. The presentation will take place on Sunday, June 27, 2010 at 12:00 Noon in the church. Light refreshments will be available afterwards in the parish hall. I hope you can be present.

Your opinion as well as your encouragement and prayerful support of this endeavor means a lot to me and will go a long way to help make our parish a home of deep-seated faith and heartfelt worship.

God bless you!

Sincerely,

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