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Reverend Gregory Mastey, Pastor  
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Dear Father Mastey:

I am very pleased and grateful for the steps you have already taken and will take in the future in building a much-needed Church/community facility which will serve your Catholic people for many years into the future. Thank you for your July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting and connecting with our diocesan building committee.

Our building committee forwarded to me a number of issues and recommendations and I am anxious and pleased to share with you my ideas and responses to the committee's work and communication.

I ask that you pursue obtaining the 10 acres of land offered by a parishioner. It is always better to have more than less land. I think you should allow seating in your new Church for a minimum of 800 people and provide for the possibility to expand that number if needed in the future.

Please include the pastors of your ACC in your facilities planning and also offer an opportunity for pastors and their parishioners of your neighboring ACC's an opportunity to offer suggestions about your facility.

In your planning, in addition to your worship space, also include administration, education and hospitality spaces. Always review the cost per square foot during your planning. I have included our diocesan Building or Renovation Program Checklist. Please follow this checklist and complete each step.

God bless all the good work you have begun. What a blessing these efforts will be, not only for your parishes and ACC, but also for the Diocese of Saint Cloud. Do respond to me if you have questions.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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cc: Reverend Robert Rolfes, Vicar General