



St. John's Church

906 SOUTH ORLEANS
TAMPA 6, FLORIDA

March 10th, 1949

Dear Member and Friend of St. John's:

We of St. John's have a man-sized job to do. Here is a man-sized letter to tell you about it.

We have long needed additional parish facilities. One by one the proper steps to attain our goal have been carefully and deliberately taken. Now we are ready to take the greatest step of all—that of subscribing to our Building Fund need of \$175,000. Our Building Fund Committee has given serious consideration to the problem of raising the necessary Building Fund. After studying the matter from all angles, we have enlisted the services of a group of trained Christian Visitors who will participate in the visitation for this fund. Their names and pictures are printed at the bottom of this letter so that you may recognize them when they call on you. Please cooperate with them. They are our representatives. More than that, they are God's representatives in this work.



Rev. Clarence Brickman

Each of us must support this undertaking by giving and subscribing as much as possible. We cannot leave it to the others in the parish to do our share. It is OUR parish. Each one of us has his share of its responsibilities as well as his share of its privileges. ONLY the united effort of all parishioners and friends of St. John's Church will make this endeavor a success. We are to make our gift to the Building Fund over A FIVE YEAR Subscription Period. Some of you will want to give a dollar a day or more, some fifty cents to a dollar; others from twenty-five to fifty cents, some will be able to give only five, ten or twenty cents a day. Some may prefer to make their contribution on an annual basis, or in a lump sum. Regardless of the method of payment which we select, remember that this is OUR responsibility and privilege. LET US GIVE IT OUR SINCERE CONSIDERATION AHEAD OF TIME SO THAT WE WILL BE PREPARED WHEN OUR REPRESENTATIVE CALLS ON US.

The visitation will begin March 14th and will continue until all our members and friends have been interviewed. The visitation will be performed during the day and late into the evening hours if necessary.

The securing of subscriptions will not be the sole purpose of the calls of these representatives. A Parish survey which will enable us to be of greater service to all will be an important part of their work. Please answer their questions concerning the Church status of your family and read the Christian literature which will be left with you. After we have made our subscription to the Building Fund we will receive an official acknowledgement from the Treasurer, Mr. Bayley. We will also receive a packet of envelopes so that we may pay our gift to the Fund regularly. At the end of each three month period we will receive a statement showing the status of our particular contribution.

At the top of this letter is a picture showing approximately what St. John's Church and Parish House will look like when our work is completed. We believe that the whole community will be proud of our Church and will be benefitted by it. It is only once in a lifetime that one is privileged to take part in an undertaking such as this. Let us accept the privilege together with the challenge that goes with it.

We are assured of success if we work together, sacrifice together and give together.

Faithfully yours,

THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

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VISITATION BEGINS MARCH 14th