

**Dear Community,**

**Happy New Year! May the blessings of the Lord be with all of you in 2006.**

Here is something for the parish to think about. I propose that in 2006 we tear down the rectory. We can build a small rectory across the street in the vacant field. Here is another idea for a place to build a new rectory. We could build a new rectory on the lot east of the parking lot east of the office building. We could have a full walk out basement if that property was used for a rectory.

We could tear down the block building west of the church and build a new pole barn to be used for storage in the same area as the new rectory, east of the parish.

We could tear down our rental double and make more room for parking west of the church.

We could build a new church on the property where the rectory was located. I would suggest bulldozing that piece of property down to the level of the street west of the church. Build a new church on that property with a full basement. If you don't want to build a new church, we could use the rectory space for a new school.

Remember the parish decided to stay on our present property after three hours of deliberations at a parish meeting which was open to all parishioners.

If you don't like any of the above ideas, we could just remain where we are as we are without any changes. We spent about \$10,000 over the past couple years in getting professional help to assist us in making a decision for the future. I would hate to see that money wasted.

To be honest with you I could have made that decision in ten minutes and it wouldn't have cost you a wooden nickel!

**Keep smiling, Msgr. Knueven**