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My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

**“Raindrops keep falling on my head...”** Well, not exactly or right now. But the truth is our roof is aging and needs to be replaced. It has covered our church for many years and has protected us from nature’s elements of heat, rain and snow. It has served us well but it is time for it to be replaced.

In March the Parish Advisory Council met with Marc Breden, our Facilities Manager and Kathleen Murphy, our Financial Manager to address this issue of replacing our old roof as soon as possible. Marc presented us with five bids and after much discussion we agreed to accept the bid of \$57,000 from Booko Brothers, a general contractor out of Three Rivers, MI. Kathleen assured us we have the funds in our savings to meet the costs of the project.

The proposal was sent to the Diocese and permission was obtained to go ahead with replacing our old roof. Marc has been working with the contractor and the project is set to begin in mid-July and should take 7-10 days to be completed.

This project will be a commitment to the future of our Parish. It will happen because of the financial blessing we have received in the past. And it will allow us to continue to serve the needs of our local Catholic community and the many visitors in the summer who make Saint Ann their parish away from home.

We hope that we can all continue to support our parish financially so we can rebuild our savings for future repairs that our older parish building will certainly demand of us in the future. While we are not doing a special campaign for the roof repair, we will gladly welcome any large or small contributions to help us build up our savings for future maintenance of our facilities. God bless you!

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Fr. Bob