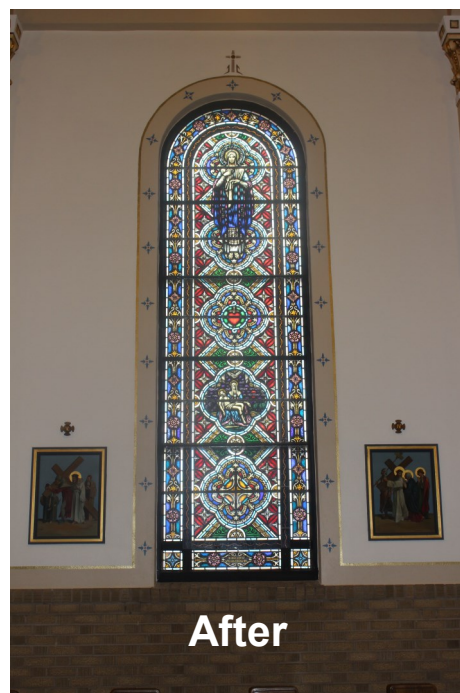


## St. Mary's Parish Interior Church Painting & Refurbishment Lent 2017



### Committee Members

Fr. Jim Berning  
Bert Kimman  
Jacob Nicklay  
Ralph Roemer  
Jess Strelow  
Dave Weinmann

### Painters

Mike Kramer  
Charlie Kramer  
Tim O'Brien  
Rhonda Schell  
Zachary Schell  
Darin Weltzien

### **Recognition and Thank You Reception**

**When:** Sunday, April 23, 2017 after the 10:30am Mass

**Where:** Visitation Commons

Join us for donuts and refreshments after Mass to extend our gratitude to the painters and committee members who helped to refurbish our worship space.

### **Our enriched environment: colors, symbols, and accents**

The painting project began as a desire to repair water damage to the church interior. Since the last interior painting project, in the mid 1980's; cracks in the plaster, staining on the ceiling, and the grime of age needed to be addressed. Father Jim's direction to "repaint" the church allowed the opportunity to evaluate the contribution that the interior environment adds to our weekly liturgies. The previous design reinforced an attitude of simplicity and humble reflection on the essential liturgical and sacred objects within the nave and sanctuary. Shades of cream and white with linear highlights hinted at the objects of attention but did not provide a clear order or focus. The intention of the new design is to continue the attitude of reserved decoration while enhancing the focus and embellishing the highlights. The interior of our church offers several architectural features to highlight as well as many sacred objects and images for spiritual reflection and focus. In general, design cues were taken from the existing features of the interior such as the pilasters, capitals, windows, wood work, and the chancel arch. The following list of design interventions are meant to identify and explain the changes that were made.