

St. Patrick's Parish Office Sale-\$299,000

The pastoral and finance councils of St. Patrick's Church met several times over the past year and discussed the sale of our parish office for which both councils ultimately voted to unanimously approve. On 3/9/2021 the Diocese of Scranton approved the sale of the office. The plan is to move all of the operations of the office into our church hall. We will be offering the office for purchase to parishioners only for a period of three weeks beginning today. The sale price is \$299k, "as is". Any parishioner who is interested in purchasing the office should submit a bid with their offer price via email to Joseph Dooley at jdooley5@comcast.net or via mail to our parish secretary Wendy Luhrs at 111 East High Street. Please include any terms you might require. If you would like to inspect the property please contact Wendy Luhrs at 570-296-7451 for an appointment. The purchasing party will be responsible for executing a purchase and sale agreement in consultation with their attorney and the Diocese of Scranton which will be the negotiating party. Any bids received after 4/13/2021 will not be accepted.



The office property address is 111 East High Street, Milford, see picture above. It was constructed in 1952 but has been substantially upgraded and modernized. It is a one story 2,800 square foot building with offices, classrooms, ½ baths with a full basement. It has a two-car garage and is situated on a 0.66-acre parcel. The property is being sold "as is".

By selling the office and consolidating our operations we will be able to save on office repair costs estimated to be approximately \$40,000 and the ongoing operating costs of the office which exceed \$5,000 per year for utility costs alone. Post Covid-19, we plan to use the hall for more active fundraising efforts as our hall is the largest event space in Milford Borough. The decision to sell was not made lightly and ultimately our parish councils believed it would be in best interest of the parish to liquidate the present office.

We plan to use the proceeds of this sale to pay 100% of our outstanding assessments due to the Diocese. The remaining funds will be deposited into an interest-bearing account to enable us to pay all of our ongoing expenses until we are able to reinvigorate our fundraising efforts post COVID-19.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with a variety of tasks related to the move of the office to the hall. If you are able to help please contact our parish secretary Wendy Luhrs via email at patssec@ptd.net or by phone at 570-296-7451 or Joseph Dooley at jdooley5@comcast.net.