



Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2015

What should we do?
—Luke 3:10



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Pastor's Column

A Temple Built of Living Stones The Mass of Dedication and Blessing: December 16, 2015

A few years before we began our building project, Betty Dorsa (*May She Rest in Peace!*) must have seen a sign of discouragement in my eyes, as I anticipated the many challenges of the upcoming construction. She took my hand and said to me: "Father, don't worry! We already have a Church. The buildings will come." Her comment meant much to me and I often reflect upon it.

Our Parish is now thirty years old and we, the people of St. Thomas More, **have been** Church for those thirty years! We are the "living stones" built on the foundation of Jesus Christ.

We have for the last thirty years continued the mission and ministry of Jesus for this time and this place.

At this point in our history as Church, we now build and enter our Home, our House of Worship.

This moment and this place is not an end in itself, but a means to an end. This sacred space, blessed and dedicated by Bishop McElroy, is meant to help us to continue to be what we have been for the last thirty years—a Church, continuing what Jesus began some 2,000 years ago!

As we now live in our permanent Church Home, may it inspire us and strengthen us to continue to walk in the footsteps of Jesus!

And may this newly created sacred space also be a place where all people can pray, seek peace, and come to know their God!

Fr. Mike



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