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## Pastor's Column

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### Our Parish Mortgage

It is important that I remind you that just as you live in your home and continue to pay down your mortgage, we, as a Parish Family, live in our home and continue to pay down our mortgage.

Our monthly mortgage payment is \$44,806.21. It is a 20-year mortgage at a fixed rate of 5.34%.

The mortgage was secured through the National Office of the Knights of Columbus, and we began our monthly payments in September 2014.

Presently, we are falling short almost every month of the total we need for our payment. We have been taking the shortfall out of our Parish Reserves, but these funds will soon be depleted.

If we do not collect enough money each month for our mortgage payment, this will directly affect our Operations Budget and the services that we are able to provide. With that being said, it is important that your donation to Operations does not decrease to cover your support of the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

Here is a recap of mortgage money raised in this FY 2017:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Collected</u>	<u>Overage/(Shortfall)</u>
July 2016:	\$35,917.00	(\$8,889.21)
August 2016:	\$40,789.00	(\$4,017.21)
September 2016:	\$35,036.85	(\$9,769.36)
October 2016:	\$34,073.25	(\$10,732.96)
November 2016:	\$42,734.75	(\$2,071.46)
December 2016:	\$57,863.75	\$13,057.54
January 2017:	\$41,951.00	(\$2,855.21)
February 2017:	\$35,996.41	(\$8,809.80)
March 2017:	\$36,810.75	(\$7,995.46)

When we add this up, for this fiscal year, so far we are behind \$42,083.13!

It is very important, that if you have not been supporting the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund, that you do so. Any amount will help, and please begin to do so on a regular basis.

If you have been giving to the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund, Thank You! Your support is greatly appreciated.

As we approach Easter, I am asking all parishioners to give a special Easter gift to the Parish, and make a special donation to the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

Let's eliminate the shortfall for this fiscal year!

Know that anything and everything you do for St. Thomas More Parish is greatly appreciated.

Let's all do our part and climb this hill together. Thank you!!

*F.R. Mike*



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Here is my special Easter gift to the Parish to help eliminate the mortgage shortfall for this Fiscal Year 2017.

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# **SPECIAL**

## **Mortgage / Building Completion Offering**

***Thank you for your support and God Bless!***

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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ID Code

Today's Date

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