

April 5, 2017

Fellow Parishioners:

This note is in response to various inquirers concerning the inside side door on the Chartrand side of the Church.

It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that there have been concerns about the removal of the inner door at the handicap accessible entrance.

The door was removed for the following reasons:

1) the entrance of the doorway measures 37 inches, and with the door in place and in the open position this narrows the entrance 2 more inches, a brick was then on the floor to hold the door open and that narrowed the entrance 4 more inches. It was felt that the entrance was too narrow and dangerous for a parishioner or guest with a walker or wheelchair.

2) In view of the fact that many people use that entrance, an informational bulletin board was needed to inform those entering of upcoming events and the ideal place for that bulletin board was on the wall behind where the open door was.

To be clear, the Parish Council does not take changes in the parish/church lightly, many things are considered and discussed before a decision is made. As always if you have questions or concerns you may ask to be put on the Agenda 5 days in advance of the next Parish Council meeting to discuss your concerns or BE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL to be part of the decision process.

We hope this clears up any questions/concerns about the door.

Thank you,

The members of the St. Joseph Parish Council

P.S. Elections for three positions on the Council will be held in June of 2017. Why not run for election to the Council!