

Exterior Painting

Saint John of God's Church, Rectory and Hall

The time has come to paint the exterior of our parish buildings. The church, especially, with its two free-standing signs, shows the greatest wear and tear. This comes with the passage of time and from the soot generated by Irving Street traffic.

Painting of the church will begin in mid-August. The cost will be \$10,000, at least half of which will be covered by parish funds. Then, depending upon the amount of private donations received, we hope to paint the rectory (\$6,000 cost) immediately after the church. The final building, Collins Hall (\$9,000 cost), will then be painted, but only if an overall total of \$12,500 from private donations has been received.

The formula for funding the cost of painting will be, as follows. Every dollar received from private donations will be matched by a dollar from parish funds.

The most ideal result of fund-raising would be if a person or family would wish to sponsor the cost of painting either the church or the rectory.

- A **\$5,000 donation**, along with matching funds from the parish, would cover the full cost to paint the **church**.
- A **\$3,000 donation**, along with matching funds from the parish, would cover the full cost to paint the **rectory**.

Going forward, however, we cannot assume that either of these hoped-for donations will be made, but that funds will need to be raised in lesser, but still significant amounts of, say, \$250, \$500 or \$1,000. Any amount received, though, will be very much appreciated. Before Fr. Methodius leaves us in early June it would be ideal if we could let him know that we have received a significant response to our fund-raising effort, either in the form of actual donations or a pledge to donate before mid-August.

A check made payable to St. John of God and marked "Painting" may be placed in the collection basket or sent to Kay Cavagnaro in the office. An online donation may be made by visiting our website (www.sjog.net) and clicking on the Donate Now button.

To make a pledge, please contact Joe Cline. 415-563-8271 or jwdc56@msn.com.