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Dear Holy Spirit Parishioners:

As we near the start of fall, we hope you all found time to rest and spend time with your families this summer. We want to communicate a recent event with you as you will soon see signs of work being completed in the building.

The end of June found us with another flooding event in St. Elizabeth Hall (SEH). The water was immediately cleaned up and we continue to work on flood mitigation measures. Last week, when a couple of our teachers came in to start preparing their classrooms which are connected to SEH, some fungal growth was discovered. We immediately called an environmental hygienist to come in and investigate the matter. The fungal growth found in SEH and the classrooms in that area of our building is aspergillus mold, a common type mold that we all come in contact with regularly in our world. Thankfully, we **do NOT** have toxic mold.

The area in question was then sealed off by a certified restoration company experienced in the clean-up of mold in compliance with EPA guidelines. We have since met with our HVAC provider, the environmental hygienist, and the restoration company to determine the safest and best way in which to proceed.

Today, it was determined that the clean-up will begin on Thursday, 8/9. You will begin to see a dumpster, several PODS, and a tent in front of SEH where the restoration company will begin their work.

As always, we will keep our parishioners informed as we work through this process. Our ultimate goal is to keep our parishioners, students and staff safe, so entry into the SEH space and classrooms will not occur until we are assured by the environmental hygienist that it is safe to do so.

Should you have further questions, we will be happy to speak with you. We ask, as always, for your prayers, patience, and flexibility as we move on to another great school year at Holy Spirit.

Peace,

Fr. Richard Halvorson
Pastor

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Parish Manager