

September 8 & 9, 2007

Weekly Update

Our Lady of Hope Landscape Improvement Project

PO Box 232, W. Barnstable, MA 02668

Landscaping Progress:

Our apologies for the ongoing inconvenience. We hoped to have the sidewalk completed for this week, however grade revisions took more time than expected and we wanted the form and slope to strictly comply with ADA standards.

We are thankful for DeMelo Brothers Landscaping who have met all the unforeseen and not so incidental challenges. Their crew has worked overtime and Rob DeMelo has patiently managed his subcontractors through every detail in a timely and professional manner, always with Our Lady of Hope parishioners in mind. We could not imagine a better partner.

With cobblestones and bricks taking up a few parking positions, the parking lot remains open. Plantings and bordering trim and loam for the lawn area are nearly complete. Irrigation is ready to be tied in followed by final grooming. This week loam will be spread and planting areas finished, irrigation will be completed, connected and tuned for service. We will see the brick walkway take shape, and the side walkway completed all the way to the parking area.

The engraved bricks will replace blanks as lead time permits, most likely in early spring.

Financing

The project is not fully financed as we have had to make unforeseen repairs and changes to satisfy requirements. Thanks to the generosity of Dr. Michael Murphy and family we are very close to meeting the project goal. We are presently \$8,000 away from meeting the total expense. *Today's second collection will directly benefit the project.*

Friends, visitors and parishioners, if you enjoy this historic site, please help us with a pledge to better accommodate those who choose to worship here. There remains open opportunity to sponsor a tree or purchase a brick to forever include Our Lady of Hope in your family's summer vacation memories. Donation envelopes are available from the ushers, or simply mail your offering or pledge to: OLH Landscape, PO Box 232, W. Barnstable, MA 02668, or call 508-360-8206. All contributions, large and small are tax deductible and greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting this parishioner financed project.

The Family Tree: Be green! Consider planting a tree with your family name to adorn our chapel landscape. A \$1,000 pledge will bring added beauty, shade and appreciation with your contribution to Our Lady of Hope Mission.

Laser Engraved Brick: Is all the rage! Celebrate this beautiful summer, your children, grandchildren or an anniversary with a permanent engraving. A sample will be sitting outside the front doors after mass. Make a statement of support, your \$100.00 donation engraves up to 60 characters per brick paving the way to our chapel entrance. Call Mary at 508-360-8207.

Parking Flow:

We have been directing parking into the rear lot to accommodate as many as possible. We do appreciate your cooperation to use the new area.

The front driveway has been planned as a drop off point for people with disabilities. Please leave this area open for those who need to be closer to the entrance.