

**Preserving the Faith (for the love of Pete!)
Pledge Drive Kick-Off Event
February 14, 2010**

Frequently Asked Questions:

1) Where is The Palmer Building?

The Palmer Building is also known as the old firehouse. As you exit uptown (heading south), The Palmer Building is located on 7th Street just before it turns into Monroe. It is across the street from Lupie's Restaurant.

2) Is the price of the event ticket tax-deductible?

No. The price of the ticket is simply covering actual costs for food, beverage and facility rental (if you've tried to put together an event lately involving a caterer, a nice facility and alcohol, you know this is a very good price!)

3) Are kids allowed to come?

Yes! We selected The Palmer Building for that very reason. The Palmer Building has a lower level with a big screen TV and tables and chairs. It can accommodate approximately 20-25 children. We will have two school teachers on hand to provide child care during the event (while the parents are on the main level).

4) So what if I want to take advantage of the child care offered?

The only requirements for child care are: a) child is potty-trained; b) child is at least three years old; c) payment of \$5/child to offset costs for snacks and drinks (can pay on-site that evening).

We ask you contact Cynthia Aziz (Cynthia@azizimmigrationlaw.com) and offer the following information:

- Child name(s) and age;
- Any special instructions or any food allergies
- Contact information for parent(s), including if parent can receive text message on phone during event
- All children must be picked up from the child care area no later than 8:30 p.m.

5) What is planned for the evening?

The event begins at 6:15 pm (enough time for those attending 5pm Mass to arrive) with cocktails and a passed appetizer. We will begin the buffet line for dinner at approximately 6:40 pm. Once guests have filled their plates they can sit wherever they'd like – there is no assigned seating. The program will begin at approximately 7:20 (while guests are still working on dinner, dessert, etc.) and will include music from "Finder's Keepers," an a cappella quartet, information on the pledge drive, prizes and a special announcement! To make sure those with little ones aren't out too late on a Sunday, the event will conclude at 8:15 pm.

6) Do I have to make a donation that night?

No. There will be pledge drive packets at each table and their contents will be explained during the program. The packets include an addressed, stamped envelope so if you choose to take the pledge card home and think about it, that's fine. The deadline to turn in your pledge card is Monday, March 1st. HOWEVER, if you are ready to submit your pledge card that evening, that's great – they can be collected. As a matter of fact, if you do turn in your pledge card that night, you'll receive one complimentary ticket for the "Rome, Sweet Rome" drawing (grand prize is a trip for two to Rome, Italy!) The prize will be awarded in October of this year.

7) What if I have already made a donation towards the Preservation Effort?

In the last few months, many parishioners have given contributions towards restoring the church. Since the pledge drive lasts just shy of two years (February 2010 – December 31, 2011), we ask that you consider what you would give for the second year of the pledge drive, indicate that amount on the pledge card and simply state when you will start making that payment (i.e. end of this year).

8) Where can I purchase tickets?

Tickets are sold after each Mass. Depending upon weather conditions, volunteers will sell tickets outside church after the Saturday and Sunday evening Masses (or in the back room of the church used for reconciliation when conditions must bring us indoors); after the Sunday morning Masses, tickets will be sold in Biss Hall during coffee & conversation. Cash, checks and credit cards (Visa & MC) are accepted.

9) What if I have more questions?

Please contact either one of our volunteer event coordinators:

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We hope to see you there!