

**“BUILDING A HOME FOR US TO SHARE”**  
**The Episcopal Diocese of Washington’s First New Church in More Than 40 Years**  
**How You Can Help**

In May 2008, after more than five years of preparation, planning, permitting, and the prayers (ours and countless others’), the Vestry of St. Nicholas Parish, with the support of the Diocese of Washington, began actual construction of the Diocese’s first entirely new church building in more than 40 years. Completion of construction is estimated for February 2009, with occupancy and official dedication t soon thereafter. The excitement is palpable, the congregation’s growth is rapidly increasing, but much remains to be done (and paid for). If you’d like to help, here are some possibilities:

**Gift Bricks**

A program in which individuals, groups, or organizations pay to have engraved stones placed in one of the walkways or other structures of the church. Gift Bricks are tax-deductable gifts and about 75% of the proceeds go to the church’s building fund. Gift Bricks can be purchased in a variety of size and costs:

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|---|-------|---|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mini-Brick Commemorative:          | \$50  | <input type="checkbox"/> 16” x 16” Paver w/3 lines of text: | \$1,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4” x 8” Paver w/3 lines of text:   | \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 24” x 24” Paver w/3 lines of text: | \$2,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8” x 8” Paver w/3 lines of text:   | \$250 | <input type="checkbox"/> Engraved Bench w/3 lines of text:  | \$5,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12” x 12” Paver w/3 lines of text: | \$500 |   |         |

Advance orders for bricks can be place by completing the attached form and send it with your check to the St. Nicholas Church Office. For more information, contact the church office at 240-631-2800 or email [bricks@saintnicks.com](mailto:bricks@saintnicks.com).

**Gift Trees (or Shrubs)**

In order to reforest the 13 acres on which our which our church building will stand, we need to plant 900 trees and 132 shrubs. Those who donate one or more trees (\$160ea) or shrubs (\$80 each) will be honored with an inscription on our St. Nick’s Foresters Plaque.

**Furnishings Wish List**

Of course, there are many things required to furnish a new church: from tables (12 @ \$125ea.) to chairs (225 @ \$30ea.) to the carts to hold them, and much more. If you or your church would like to donate towards the purchase of such items, contact the Rev. Ken Howard at [rector@saintnicks.com](mailto:rector@saintnicks.com).

**Memorials**

Finally, there are many larger items – from tree planting to driveways – from landscaping to labyrinths – for which memorial or honorary donations can be made. For more information, contact the Rev. Ken Howard at [rector@saintnicks.com](mailto:rector@saintnicks.com).

**GIFT BRICKS/GIFT TREES SPONSORSHIP FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Gift Bricks**

**Choose a Brick Size and Price**

- Mini-Brick Commemorative<sup>1</sup> (no inscription): \$50
- 4" x 8" Paver w/3 lines of text: \$100
- 8" x 8" Paver w/3 lines of text: \$250
- 12" x 12" Paver w/3 lines of text: \$500
- 16" x 16" Paver w/3 lines of text: \$1,000
- 24" x 24" Paver w/3 lines of text: \$2,000
- Engraved Bench w/3 lines of text: \$5,000

**Write Your Inscription**

(20 Upper Case Characters per Line)

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**Gift Trees**

**Choose a Tree or Shrub**

- Shrub: \$80
- Tree: \$160

**Choose Your Dedication**

- In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_
- In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

**Enclose Check and Mail**

**Make checks payable to**

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church (with "Gift Bricks/Gift Trees" in the "Memo" area).

**Mailing Address**

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church  
14100B Darnestown Road  
Darnestown, MD 20874

<sup>1</sup> The Mini-Brick Commemorative is only partially tax-deductible because, unlike the others, the giver keeps it.