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I noted in my last year's report that our one focus for 1991 would be to work very diligently on a subject close to all of our hearts - the church rest area project. Although at times it may have seemed as if we were going backwards, ~~we were~~ ^{or, perhaps, even going nowhere} - the Grace Church family finally made up its collective mind to ^{on} ~~go~~ ²⁰ go ahead with the exterior building repairs from Mid-Continent Restoration Co., Inc. in Parkston, S. Dak. We have \$11,000 towards the project pledged right now, and with future donations, ~~we shall hope to still~~ ~~have some~~ and memorial money, we shall hope to still have some left in our reserves.

Although the bulk of the year was spent in this painstaking project, Millie and Lois took a great deal of time to put together a rummage sale in September, proceeds of \$183.29. Thanks to those two, in particular, for all their time and effort.

~~There are so many words~~

We continue to be grateful to Father Allen for being our sacramentalist. ^{Although still} He has many ~~many~~ other obligations in his life, and despite a heart attack this summer, he is very faithful to Grace and works hard to give us his best. He has been so generous w/ his time, talents and resources & deserves a much greater financial remuneration than we are able to give him. And we love his rummages!

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 (Robert Robertson Co., Inc. in Jackson, 2nd fl.)
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Although the bulk of the year was spent in this
 primary project, Mike and I had a great
 deal of time to put together a message for the
 September, period of 1992. Thanks to those who
 in particular, for all their time and effort.

~~There are no more...~~

The continue to be grateful to Father Allen for being
 our ~~spiritual~~ ^{spiritual} guide. He has many ~~years~~ ^{years} of
 in his life, and despite a heart attack this summer, he
 is very faithful to show us the way to God in his best.
 He has been an example of his kind, calm and
 resources & always a source of great financial
 support. He has been an example of his kind, calm and

~~There are so many wonderful people in the parish
who give so much for.~~

In a family parish such as ours, we continue
to survive because of the devotion and giving of
each of the family members. We need to have
everyone continue to give what he can - ~~not~~
~~scheduling, cleaning, lay reading~~ but to have
everyone ^{be} responsible for something. If we
divide up our tasks, no one will feel especially
burdened.

~~The way we treat ourselves is the way we treat others.~~
~~Life is a journey, not a destination.~~

In a family, love is the glue that holds us together. It is the heart of the family, the source of strength and support. We need to have love in our hearts, for it is the only way to truly know each other. Love is not just a feeling, it is an action. It is the way we treat each other, the way we speak to each other, the way we listen to each other. Love is the foundation of a strong family, and it is the key to a happy life. If we have love, we can overcome anything. If we have love, we can make a difference in the world. Love is the greatest gift we can give, and it is the greatest gift we can receive.

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