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Just want to make sure you are aware that we continue to have Mass on the internet by way of the Zoom application. Because of favorable reception of this and many requests for the online Mass to continue, Terri and Michael Deveny have agreed to continue providing this service. In the meantime, we are in the process of installing the necessary equipment and technology in Saint Ann Church so we can provide a better online experience for our parishioners who are still unable to attend Mass in person.

In another development this week, on Thursday, Metro Star Properties informed us that they have decided not to continue with their planned development of the former Saint Gabriel School property. The real estate contract allows them to cancel the sale within a certain time frame. We will continue to seek out a buyer for the building and property. Here is entire press release issued by Metro Star Properties on Thursday, July 23:

*After collaborative discussions with the Honorable Mayor Benjamin Blake, Metro Star will not seek municipal approvals for the One Tudor Road property. Metro Star projects are not typically embedded in residential areas, our projects focus on commercial zones and support local commerce. Many of our commercial neighbors support our efforts and embrace the increase vibrancy our developments bring the many local establishments. In the case of the Tudor Road application the most affected parties, the members of the direct neighborhood, have been active in voicing their issues with a development of this kind. After careful consideration of the neighborhood concerns, and with thoughtful advisement by Mayor Blake, Metro Star came to an understanding that a development like we had planned for Tudor Road did not serve the community's interest in the way we hoped it would. Metro Star is a Milford company, operating in this great city for over 35 years, some of our projects have become landmark buildings such as Schooner Wharf and 1 New Haven Avenue. We work here, many of our employees and contracting partners live here. We drive by our work every day, we are proud of our projects, and we are proud of the city. Metro Star will be a community stakeholder for years to come, as such, we have made this decision with the best interest of all the affected parties in mind."*

Sincerely,

Robert Smith Jr  
Executive Managing Director  
Metro Star Properties