
St. Francis Xavier

New Parish Centre Newsletter



New Parish Centre Moves to Construction Phase

The Archdiocese has approved proceeding with the Construction Phase of the New Parish Centre; allowing our goal to become a reality.

We can look forward to:

- A **sacred space** to pray, worship and celebrate the Sacraments
- A **chapel** for quiet prayer and meditation
- A **hall and kitchen** to hold Parish and Community events
- **Meeting rooms** for Catechetical instruction for young people and faith formation for youth and adults, Children's Liturgy, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Bible Study, Couples for Christ and other activities for young people and seniors, etc. that we have previously not been able to accommodate.

The New Space

- **The Nave (worship space) of the Church can comfortably accommodate 600 people**
- The **Hall** accommodates: **360 people at tables** or **500 people theatre style**
- **Parking for 150 vehicles**

Up to Date

- **Multi-media**
- **Accessibility**
- **Energy Efficiency**

Our Heritage Comes with Us

The Stations of the Cross, Tabernacle and Processional Cross from our present church will be relocated to the Nave of the New Church. The Gallery (main corridor) will have statues and relics from our present church and missions. The efforts of those who sacrificed their work and treasure before us will not be forgotten.

Costs and Finances

The cost of the New Parish Centre is \$17,000,000. To date we have raised \$5,000,000. The Archdiocese has arranged a line of credit of up to \$12,000,000 if needed. Since the Construction Phase will take approximately 24 months, this creates an opportunity for us to considerably reduce the amount borrowed as we all work together to raise additional funds.

Donations and Pledges

Thank you to parishioners who have already made a pledge, a donation or included the project in your will or estate. Those who have not are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. For those who wish, there are still opportunities to donate funds to purchase items in the New Parish Centre. For example, a pew, the ambo, the altar and other items. Please contact Father Larry for details.

Plans are being made to have Bishop Gregory Bittman bless the site and celebrate the ground-breaking ceremony, May 23rd at 1:30 pm.

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Working together with the grace of God our Father, we can accomplish many things.
