

Funding

The Fundraising Group is currently assessing a range of funding options to determine those best suited to our needs. During this process it has become obvious that we will require significant support from our whole parish community to meet this challenge. Once appropriate initiatives have been agreed we will be calling on all parishioners to support the fundraising effort, either by donation, prayer, organisation of activities, or attendance at events.



Prayer – The Essential Element

Prayer! Prayer! Prayer! Church and school can only be successful if the Lord wills it. Let's all pray for good decisions and for a spirit of unity as we lay foundations for the future. There will be a Blessing and Dedication Service on Sunday 28th June. Each Sunday after that, we are planning to have a time of prayer on the site at 11.30am. The intention is to cover the site in prayer and to build unity and "ownership" of this land on which we, and our descendants, will worship. However, everyone can pray individually, in groups and in our parish liturgies as well throughout the weeks ahead.



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Church Design - Liturgical Essentials

Mark Richards

Pastoral Director, Pal Nth Diocese
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Church Architecture - Lessons From Recent History

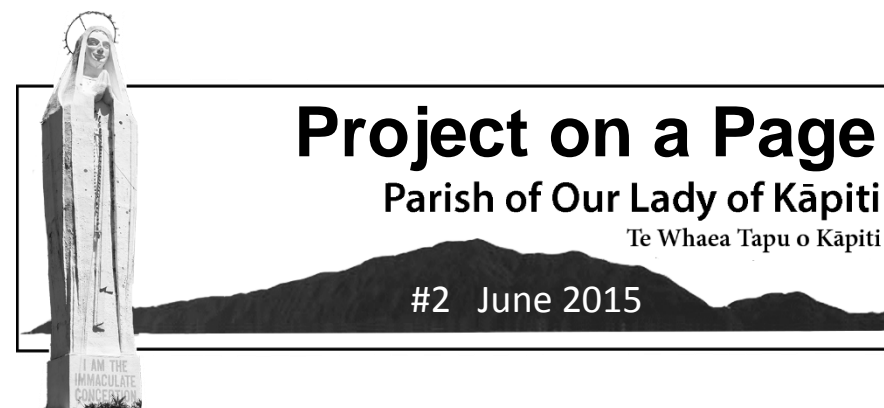
Mark Southcombe

Architecture Prog Director, Victoria Uni



Saturday 20th June 11.00 - 4.00
Grace Hall, St Patrick's School
BYO cut lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

Come Listen Share



Progress Report #2

In the last few weeks, Studio Pacific Architecture has been appointed to design both church and school. Initial meetings have been held with both teams to further clarify the design brief.



The sale of the "paddock" on Tongariro Street has been concluded, with the new owners (L'Arche NZ) due to settle and take possession on 26 June.

Significant work has been done to survey and map out our new site at 20 Milne Drive in order to finalise the configuration of the site and proceed to planning for resource consent. We are expecting to agree the final shape within the next couple of weeks.

We are working in close partnership with our advisers from the Archdiocese of Wellington to ensure that we establish a clearly agreed and understood funding model for the project before we commence our major fund raising initiatives.

Your Queries & Answers

The Development Group set up a dedicated email address so that specific queries from parishioners could be responded to. These are the questions received and the response to them:-

Q: As one who is very interested in possible designs for our new church I note the phrase "We wish our church building to be recognisably Catholic" included in the Our Lady of Kapiti Build Vision Statement. Can you clarify what this statement means in terms of design and external feature?



A: We do not have a specific symbol or architectural feature in mind at this stage in the project. We included the statement "recognisably Catholic" in our vision so that as the design evolves from concept through developed to detailed design we can ensure that the building itself is a witness of our Catholic faith to the wider Kapiti



community. All parishioners will have the opportunity to review and comment on the design at the various stages in its evolution.

Q: *I was wondering if there will be consultation with parents of young children? The current situation is far from ideal, however I never really thought that much about it until I was a parent. Breast feeding, changing and juggling more than one child (esp. from a noise point of view) can be difficult at Mass and a new build is a great opportunity to make church a baby/child friendly place for young families.*



A: The team intend to consult widely both with individual parishioners and groups within the parish. Families with young children have already been identified as one such group and their particular needs will be considered as the design evolves.

Q: *My first query relates to the photo of the Development team. The comment was made to me that 'surely there is a woman or women in the parish who have the necessary skill, knowledge and ability'. I suggest either ensuring the group is diverse, or communicating that this group is the pointy end and they network back to a variety and diverse groups.*

A: The photo referred to (in Pastoral Pages) was of the Steering Group, not the Development Group. The Steering Group (see the recent edition of "Project on a Page") comprises the Sponsor, the Parish Priest, Chairs of both Parish and Finance Councils, Liturgy lead, School representative and Archdiocese representative. The Development Group (detailed elsewhere in this newsletter) includes several women as members within the particular teams – almost certainly their numbers will grow as differing needs and perceptions become evident.

Q: *My second query relates to a comment from a parishioner from Waikanae. Are the needs of our various faith communities being met? The commenter refers to 'base communities'. This would include people who live in Waikanae and identify with that area (bearing in mind the Archbishop's vision statement of one parish, two churches).*

A: We are now one Parish, one Community in Christ, so the needs of the whole are paramount rather than the needs of a part. Our new parish did indeed begin its life as "one parish with two Mass centres" but, with the realities already well documented and discussed (shortage of Priests and condition/safety of existing Churches) the future has been determined. There is evidence already that "area identification" is shifting with the participation by Paraparaumu parishioners at Waikanae Masses and vice versa. However, this does not preclude future investigation on how particular needs of particular interest groups might be met.

The Development Group has also received (through this system) several constructive letters from parishioners with thoughts around Church design. These have all been forwarded to the Liturgy and Build Design Team.

PLEASE – if you have a query connected with the school and Church project, send it to ladykapiti@gmail.com or, if you're not on "the net", send it to the **Parish Office, 29 Parata St, Waikanae 5036**. Please include your contact details so that we can respond to you personally, which we will do promptly and accurately.

Introducing People Involved - THE DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The *Development Group* is the umbrella title for the many separate parish groups or committees who are jointly working on our plans for the future of our parish. The Group has been meeting monthly and is attended by each person chairing a particular working group.



So, attendance would normally include:-

- all members of the **Steering Group** (see *Project on a Page* #1 & *Pastoral Pages*).
- the *School Team* chair is **David Meyer**. This team is responsible for all the elements of the school's relocation to the new site.
- the *Liturgy and Build Design Team*, chaired by **Wullie Grant**, deals with all that is involved with the look and function of a new Church.
- the *Communication and Change Management Team*, chaired by **Dave Greening**, is concerned with all the facets of managing significant change and keeping the parish community advised and involved with those changes.
- the *Sale of Assets Team* is chaired by **Michael Gaffaney** and is responsible for the sale of the existing church properties and oversight of the sale of any surplus land at the new site.
- the *Funding Team* is chaired by **Paul Reiher**. Their brief is to explore all ways in which our new parish buildings can be funded.
- the *Prayer Team*, chaired by **Peter Ryan**, encourages and assists the whole parish community in their prayerful support (collectively or individually) for the project and the future.

There are also others involved within the Development Group: representatives of the Archdiocese have responsibilities around the school and the interim funding; individuals such as **David Sowry** and **Rick Goodman** are invaluable for their local expertise and experience with issues like resource consent and construction costs; and there are, of course, the paid professionals – Studio Pacific Architecture has been engaged for the design of both school and church, with parishioner **Tristan McDonald** working as lead Project Manager.

Also very much involved for their process, secretarial and administration skills are **Carol Lamain** as Parish Secretary and **Joanne Kettle** as Minute Secretary for most of the working groups.