

Fundraising

Firstly, a big, "Thank you!" to all who have continued to generously support Our Lady of Kāpiti Parish fundraising activities. As we work together to build our new Church, fundraising will be an on-going essential requirement, with the Fundraising Committee viewing their role as providing a range of opportunities enabling parishioners, and friends of our parish, to contribute to our new church in ways that best suit them.



Current initiatives.

The monthly luncheon groups are enjoying their regular social gatherings while contributing to our building funds. Enquiries to Velma Knight, Telephone: 299 1539

Trade to Build is being well supported with income from Trade Me sales currently in excess of \$4000. You can help by donating items for sale, purchasing listed items, and encouraging your contacts to do so. Details of this project, including Donor Forms, are available on the parish web site (www.kapiti-catholic.org.nz) under "Trade to Build", or contact Claire Reiher 904 6956.

A Produce stall is being held after Saturday/Sunday Masses in the foyers of both churches. Donated goods are to be wrapped and priced either \$5 or \$2. Suggestions: vegetables, fruit, flowers, plants, preserves baking, etc.

Future confirmed activities in chronological order:

A golf tournament is planned for 14th April. We will be inviting people to form teams of four players to enjoy the facilities at the Paraparaumu Beach Golf Club. Further details will be published shortly.

A fashion show will be held on 18th May at Ballantynes on Mclean Street.

Discovering Ourselves – on Saturday 21st May, Community Hall, Waikanae – a display and sale of work and interests by parishioners and the wider community. A day to showcase and celebrate each other's gifts and talents. Contacts: Kathleen 905 7850, or Jenny 904 6971.

Film evening – this is planned for early March. Date and film title are to be confirmed.

We ask for your support for these fundraising activities either as contributor or as purchaser of the goods and services available.

Paul Reiher, Convenor, Fundraising Team



Remember, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, direct them to: the website: ladykapiti@gmail.com
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Progress Report #6 – Update on Church Design



Early this month the following was sent by Wullie Grant to those who had been involved in discussions on the design of our new church – it's appropriate that the information is shared with the whole parish.

"I thought it timely to let you know where things are at with the church design process. In October Father Michael, Maureen Borkin and I met with SPA (Studio Pacific Architecture) to provide them with feedback on the design which had been presented to the parish in September. At that meeting, before we provided our feedback, SPA tabled an updated outline draft of their design reflecting review work they had done. We did present our feedback but, since then, the technical team (architects, builders, structural engineer, service engineer, QS, etc.) have been having ongoing discussions aimed at addressing the fundamental aspects of the latest SPA church design:-

- can we build it and does it meet the regulations (e.g. earthquake proofing standards)?
- will the building be maintainable in the future?
- can Our Lady of Kāpiti afford it?

Members of the Steering Group attended one of these meetings just before Christmas to re-emphasise the importance of these key fundamentals. At this stage the technical team are still trying to optimise the design to meet the above needs.

Once they have done that we will then be in a position to recommence discussions with SPA around the feedback gathered from yourselves and other parishioners over the last few months. A developed design will then be available to us to present to the parish and will form the basis of the case we then must make to Cardinal Dew and his team to proceed to detailed design. This case

needs to describe the developed design, detail the cost involved in building the new church and explain how these costs will be met (a funding plan).

Once we have approval to proceed, we will commence detailed design which will involve discussions with specific groups and individuals in the parish e.g. Women's League, Women's Guild and Men's breakfast groups on kitchen facilities, music groups and sound experts on audio/visual requirements, liturgy team on worship requirements, adult faith enrichment on meeting room and presentation needs, etc. Most of these groups have already been identified and have provided some feedback on their needs which will form the basis for more detailed discussions.

Thank you for your input and involvement to date and we look forward to your continued commitment to the project."

Wullie Grant, Chair, Liturgy and Design Group.

Update on School

I am pleased to report to the Parish that initial ground works have largely been completed at Our Lady of Kāpiti School. This work was undertaken by Goodmans Contractors. A sincere thank you to Rick Goodman for this work. Our main building contractor, LT McGuinness, has commenced work on the construction and completed the boxing for the five large concrete pads. These pads were due to be poured mid-January, but were delayed awaiting the granting of the Building Consent.

Our Building Consent application has finally been approved this week and the contractors can now commence construction in earnest.

Regretfully, the granting of the Building Consent has been extremely protracted, taking 40 working days instead of the allowable period of 20 working days, despite our commitment to providing the necessary information required by the Council. We look forward to the formal "Turning of the Sod" ceremony on site with Cardinal John and the school staff and pupils on February 26th.

David Meyer, Chair, School Relocation Team

Update on Sale of Parish Real Estate

Much effort has been going into the task of selling surplus real estate. To this end the 3 industrial lots at Milne Drive and the Church, Presbytery and School block in Paraparaumu were put up for sale. Offers have been received for all parcels though they are conditional on the purchasers completing their due diligence. This is expected to be done within the next month and if positive the contracts will then become unconditional.

Prayer – The Essential Element – Blessing the site

Cardinal John to bless the new school site:

11am Friday 26th February 2016 (weather permitting)



Cardinal John is coming to Milne Drive, with the Archdiocesan staff, Fr Michael, steering committee and the school community, to bless the new site prior to building getting properly underway.

There will be a short liturgy of waiata and prayer, the blessing and the planting of a tree.

Parishioners are invited to come and join with us for this significant point in the life and journey of Our Lady of Kāpiti Parish.

We have been given supervised access to the site for up to 1 hour. Please note parking will need to be on Milne Drive.

The Archdiocesan staff are responsible for funding, building and managing the new school facility on behalf of the 'owner', Cardinal John, in consultation with the Parish and School Board. The school Board of Trustees are the tenants, responsible for the day to day operations, management and maintenance.



Studio Pacific Architecture - artist's impression of the school

Praying for our new church and school buildings

Each Sunday at 11.30am a group of parishioners gathers at 21 Milne Drive to pray on our parish land for the future (and present) of our parish. We have an opening prayer, a reading from Scripture, a time for personal prayer, a hymn and we then finish with the parish prayer.

If you would like to "pray in" our new school and church in this way, you are most welcome to join us.

If you are unable to join us in person, you can unite with us in prayer wherever you are, lifting our land, a smooth and safe building process, our Parish Priest, parish leaders and our parish community in prayer.

Peter Ryan, Convenor, Prayer Team