

The report confirmed our view that our parish is capable, with the good will of parishioners, of raising the funds to build our new church within a reasonable timeframe and so we have started the planning process to put in place our own targeted *capital funding* and *pledging campaign*.

It is hoped that the extremely successful community fund raising campaigns (Trade Me, produce stalls, lunch groups, dinners and other events, raffles, etc.), which have raised more than \$195,000 to date, will continue through the life of the project and beyond. We are deeply grateful to you all for your fundraising initiatives and generous gifting of your time, talents and financial support.

John O'Sullivan, Mary Cook, Stephen Cook, Wullie Grant and Fr Michael
- Our Lady of Kāpiti Parish Steering Group

Prayer – the Essential Element

We can ALL keep praying, wherever we are, lifting to God a smooth and safe discernment and planning process, our Parish Priest, parish leaders and our parish community, as this project continues.

A focus for prayer is printed in the newsletter each week. Use it to guide your prayers for our new church and the building process.

An underpinning of prayer for the whole process is essential to the project's success.



Remember, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, direct them to:

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Parish of Our Lady of Kāpiti

Te Whaea Tapu o Kāpiti

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What's happening? What's the latest regarding the new church? The steering committee updates us.

Design – so far

During the latter months of 2017 and the early months of 2018, we worked with the Australian architects who designed Stella Maris in Broadbeach, Australia – a church which we had been drawn to through positive feedback from a number of parishioners who had worshipped there. A *Design Concept*, using a Stella Maris template adjusted for OLOK needs and conditions, was developed in conjunction with a firm of local architects (DLA). We engaged a project manager and quantity surveyor (both were involved in the school build) and worked through the concept with this team and with LTM (our building contractor). However, in March we concluded that this approach would be unaffordable and would have become more and more challenging should we have progressed beyond the concept stage. We decided that working with a local architect and technical team would be the wise way forward.



Our work to date with various architects (SPA, Patrick McGuinness, DLA) has been productive and proved to be helpful in discerning a way forward. We have simplified the process from this point on. DLA leveraged the useful elements of work done to date and produced a *Concept Design* which was presented at 3 Parish review meetings,

attended by 200+ parishioners. The feedback on this design has been overwhelmingly positive.

The *Concept Design* floorplan, elevations and illustrations are on display in Our Lady of Fatima foyer and at the back of St Patrick's Hall. Submitted suggestions for change are being considered where possible, particularly a covered entranceway.

At the same parish meetings, our project manager outlined a possible timeline for the design and building of the new church and parish centre which indicated that we could aim to begin construction at the start of 2019 and be complete by the end of that year:

Preliminary design	8 May – 13 Jul 2018
Engage Sub-consultants for input into Preliminary Design	10 May – 13 Jul 2018
Resource Consent Application	8 May – 13 Jul 2018
Approvals from Cardinal, Board of Administration & Consultors	25 Jul 2018
Detailed Design / Contract Documentation	30 Jul – 12 Nov 2018
Tender Period - 3 weeks	13 Nov- 4 Dec 2018
Approval / Acceptance	5 Dec - 17 Dec 2018
Construction	Jan – Dec 2019

Design – and now?

A number of engineering consultants have been engaged (structural, heating and ventilation, electrical, fire, audio / visual) and are currently working with DLA Architects and L T McGuinness (builders of our Parish School and Hall) to develop the *Concept* into a *Preliminary Design* which can then be costed.

Our planning consultants (Cuttriss) have started discussions with Kapiti Coast District Council around *Resource Consent*. Landscape planning discussions are underway and the boundary between the Church site and Andrews Pond has been cleared in readiness for planting and eventual fencing.

In October 2016 we submitted a request to Cardinal John Dew and his advisors to proceed to *Detailed Design* with the then current *Concept Design* from SPA. This was rejected. We are in the process of updating this proposal to reflect our new design and to address the concerns raised by the Cardinal and his team. These updates form a central part of our submission to Cardinal Dew and request his permission to proceed to *Detailed Design* at the end of July 2018.

Recently a number of test drills were done on the church site to confirm soil quality and in order to optimise the best position for the new Church and parish centre. The buildings will now be sited three metres further to the northwest. Excess peat and sand will be removed in the next few months to make final preparations for construction.

Funding

AskRight Consulting completed a *pledge campaign feasibility study*, including interviews with some 22 parishioners, to determine how we should proceed with our campaign to raise the significant funds which will be required to build our new church and parish centre.



This report was discussed by the Parish Leadership Group (Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Steering Group) which concluded that a number of valuable insights and recommendations for a funding campaign and improvements in project development processes could be implemented.