



Building a Legacy: On the Rock

Facility Project Update



Facility Project Update 2-16-20

A few short months ago we concluded the initial phase of the Capital Campaign. As you know, the results were tremendous! To date, 231 parishioners have pledged over \$2.008 million. This is outstanding and our thanks and gratitude goes to all Parishioners of St. Peter. The Campaign, however, is not over and will continue over the next three years. If you have not made a pledge, please prayerfully consider. If you have already pledged and believe there is an opportunity to increase, please consider this as well.

In a construction project this large the key is to get great professional partners around you. To that end we sent a request for proposal to five of the best Construction Manager firms in west Michigan. The role of a Construction Manager is like a builder when you build or remodel your home. The Construction Manager works for St. Peter. We interviewed three, extremely qualified firms. In the end, we hired a firm named OAK (Owens Ames Kimball) which has completed many church projects in west Michigan.

The objective for Phase I of the Facility Project is a complete renovation of St. Peter Church and the addition of a Gathering Space/Narthex. The initial budget estimate from OAK, based on the newly completed schematic drawings from Progressive AE, is \$2.7 million. The Capital Campaign has pledged \$2.008 million and if we include the money in our reserves-savings account we have close to \$2.6 million.

The Construction Committee has reviewed the schematic drawings, the costs, contingencies, and knowing that building costs are rising at 3.5% per year, has recommended the Parish move forward with the project. It is important to remember that the Diocese of Kalamazoo must approve the financials for the project to move forward. This key meeting with the Diocese is scheduled this coming week.

Parishioners may recall that the \$2.6 million cost is higher than the estimates provided during the feasibility study. The original forecast for the Gathering Space/Narthex has not changed. It is the budget for the renovation of the church that is higher than initially forecasted. Once the professionals from Progressive and OAK completed a more in-depth analysis, they realized the mechanical and electrical systems were in worse condition than expected. This reinforces the need to bring our Church up to today's standards.

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St. Peter Facility Project Construction Timeline Preliminary Schedule

August 2020 through March 2021

The construction timeline is beginning to take shape!

There are many moving pieces and details are being finalized.



The Milestones at a high level:

Expect construction to begin early August 2020. What does this look like in August? Construction trailers and materials will begin to arrive on campus and be staged mostly on the east drive and lawn; all fixtures will be removed from the Church; asbestos abatement will occur. For those who may not be aware, there can be no other activity in the Church during asbestos abatement.

Construction will ramp up after Labor Day with site demo, utility work, and the excavation and pouring of the footings and foundations; renovation will begin in the Church

Steel and exterior walls will go up mid-October into November; the interior Church renovation continues

Interior work and finishes in both the new Gathering Space and the Church will continue through February, into March 2021.

The expectation, with everything falling into place, is to take occupancy and dedicate the renovated St. Peter Church, late March 2021

***Please keep the project in your prayers.
We are all focused on Celebrating Holy Week 2021,
and the Easter Triduum in St. Peter Church!***

*As many may wonder,
Easter 2021 is Sunday April 4, 2021*



**And so I say to you,
you are Peter,
and upon this rock
I will build my Church.**

Mathew 16:18

BUILDING A LEGACY: ON THE ROCK

Building a Legacy: On the Rock Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Sunday March 8, 2020

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Breakfast

The Knights will have an expanded menu:

Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, Juice, Coffee and Milk

Plus

Waffles, French Toast Sticks, Biscuits and Gravy,
American Fries and an Egg Casserole



**Adults \$7.50
Children 12 and Under \$5.50
Family Special \$25**

The Facility Project 'Reveal' On the Rock

8:00am to 12:30pm

See and Experience The Renovated Church

Our Architect, Progressive AE, will Join the
St. Peter Construction Committee for this Event

The Latest Schematic Drawings will be on Display
View an Exciting Video from Inside the Church
Ask Your Questions and Provide Your Feedback

***Support Your Parish
Support the Knights of Columbus
Enjoy the Family and
Have some Fun***



Building a Legacy: On the Rock Capital Campaign Update

Pledges to Date \$2.008 Million

Capital Campaign Goal \$1.8 Million

Total Pledges to Date 231

49.9% of Parishioners have Submitted Pledges

Thank You for Your Support!!

If you have not yet given, is now the time?

Please Prayerfully Consider

If you have pledged and believe there is
an opportunity to increase your pledge,

Please consider that as well

Opportunities for Parishioners

Our Worship Space During Construction

Planning has started for Liturgical Services and Worship for the 7-8 months we are out of the Church during construction, August 2020 into March 2021. Weekend, Holyday and Christmas Liturgies will be planned for the Parish Hall. Daily Mass, including Adoration will be planned for one of the classrooms. You can imagine the hundreds of details involved. Your thoughts and feedback are appreciated. Contact Rick Hardy at the Parish Office.(269) 857-7951 x 2

New Church Furnishings and Liturgical Items

A meeting is being planned for next month for any Parishioner that is interested in meeting to review and discuss the furnishings and liturgical items that will be used in the Church. Watch for details and the date for the meeting. While the Diocese is involved with these decisions, your input is important and will be considered. Progressive AE will facilitate the discussion. Interested? Contact Rick Hardy at the Parish Office. (269) 857- 7951 x 2

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We know that many Parishioners have expressed a desire to have the Chapel included in this project. As of today, **the Chapel is unfunded and not included in the project.** As mentioned earlier, the Capital Campaign continues, and we will do everything we can to find an additional \$300,000 - \$350,000 to build the Chapel.

An important date for every Parishioner is **Sunday March 8.** We are excited to announce there will be a **'Reveal' On the Rock.** Our architect, Progressive AE, will be in the Parish Hall that morning. We will review the current schematic drawings, view an exciting video of St. Peter Church and, we will answer questions and gather your feedback.

Sunday March 8 is the morning of the March Pancake Breakfast. The Knights of Columbus will be 'revealing' an enhanced menu for your enjoyment. This is a great way to support the Knights who do so much for this Parish.

Please know that we thank each of you for your time, talent and treasure. Our Parish has embarked on a journey that has not been done in over 60 years. **This journey is Building a Legacy for us today and for the generations that follow.**

St. Peter Construction Committee

St. Peter Construction Committee Working with You

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***Have comments or concerns
Regarding the Facility Project?
Contact Any Member of the Construction Committee***