

Aug 2018 Church Building Update

Work is progressing nicely on the plans for the remodel of our worship space and Dalton Hall. We have had a series of meetings with the Architect, Liturgical Consult and a contractor who is working with us on ideas and costs.

The decision has been made to fast track the work on Dalton Hall because it is mostly replacement of existing equipment rather than new construction. As a result, the approvals necessary from both the Archdiocese and the City of Lynnwood are greatly reduced which lets us move more quickly. The work on Dalton Hall consists, primarily, of replacing and updating the kitchen equipment, a new HVAC system (the existing system is at the end of its life and needs some major repairs), and upgrading the Audio-Visual system. We have already mostly refined the scope of work and are now getting some preliminary cost estimates so that we can finalize the scope and prepare documents for a contractor to give us a final price and contract documents can be prepared. This work can most likely be completed by the end of the year.

At the same time, we are getting suggestions from our architect and contractor on possible designs for a new worship space. With those suggestions we can refine the scope of work so that we can get some preliminary pricing ideas. Our goal, at this time is to have enough information to present preliminary ideas and pricing to the Archdiocesan Building Committee at their September meeting so that we can get the approval to move forward to develop preliminary plans and start the City approval process. Work on the church would not start until after Easter 2019 as we do not want the church unavailable during the Christmas season and during Lent. Preliminary estimates is that work will take at least six months.

Once we have finalized some preliminary plans and ideas for the new worship space we will hold a series of Town Hall meetings to present the plans and ideas to the community and gather feedback.