



Parish of St. Timothy

Kitchen Update October 30, 2016

Just Venting!

For almost two months, the renovation project has been delayed by the need for an air intake and extraction system that meets all the regulations and fits in our existing space. It has not been easy for the congregation because progress has been slowed, and it has not been easy for the various sub-trades who are waiting for this component so that they can get on with their work.



This past week, Quest Metalwork has delivered and installed the ductwork for the venting. The large (500 lb.) range hood that we have been waiting on for over a month was delivered and installed Friday October 28. Hallelujah!

Now the remainder of the work will fall into place very quickly. Electrical, drywalling, door trims, floor, cabinet installation are all set to proceed in the next two weeks. As we cope with the sounds of construction and more dust, let's rejoice that the renovation is really progressing.

Looking Towards the Future

We've had a few rainbows lately: reminders of the promise that God made not to give up on us. As our kitchen comes together, there are steps to take in making the future a reality.

If you have a box of kitchen supplies in your care, please let the parish office know so we can track down items when the time comes to re-stock the kitchen.

Parishioners with FoodSafe and or Serve-it-Right certificates should give a copy of their qualifications to the parish office. A scan or photocopy is sufficient.

There are grants available through the Diocese and other agencies to do food ministry. Money is available- what is needed is a core group of parishioners and neighbours gathering to create a proposal.



Which aspects of food ministry are you committed to support with your time, talents, or treasure?

Some examples of food ministry include:

1. Community Workshops run in partnership with the Greater Vancouver Food Bank
2. Hospitality on Thursday Food Bank depot days with hot drinks, and perhaps soup or sandwiches as a pilot project
3. Community meal outreach to students at BCIT and SFU
4. Neighbourhood forums with refreshments
5. A special event to celebrate a Church or community festival, e.g. St. Nicolas Party, Block Party Barbeque

Re-landscaping Continues

Four yards of “black gold” were delivered to the church and worked into the north and west flowerbeds. Since then gardeners have added irises, daffodils, day lilies, and hostas for colour next year.

The heavy autumn rains have brought some dramatic but expected settling of the disturbed areas of earth in the renovation project. In the spring, the north flowerbed may need to be reworked or have more soil added.

At the end of the project, the gravel walkway on the north side will need to be restored. Parishioners are encouraged on an ongoing basis to pull weeds and trim hedges and shrubs- a donation of an hour a month would be very much appreciated.

The Last Big Push for Funds

The kitchen renovation has been made possible by existing money held in the parish’s Consolidated Trust Fund from prior bequests, by large donations from several generous past and present congregation members, and by the support of parishioners who have given during the current campaign.

It is not too late to receive the tax benefit for 2016. You can use your numbered offering envelopes or a general giving envelope. Please make out cheques to “the Parish of St. Timothy” with *kitchen* in the memo. Or contact the Treasurer, Vern Seel, through the parish office for other ways to add to your support.

Once the major components are fitted into the kitchen, there will be a need for some items that do not fit into the current budget. New serving-ware and some appliances will only be added as funds allow.

A “wish list” of goods will be prepared and circulated for a St. Timothy Kitchen Shower in the early spring. There is a certain priest who would be amenable to a guided pilgrimage to Our Lady of Sweden.

As much as the church would like to accept donations of gently-used goods from your household, FoodSafe requirements and space allowances mean saying “no thanks” to most offers. Please consider donating your charitable goods to an organization like the “Helping Families in Need” Society or another community agency that can direct your gifts to those who need them more.

A Huge Thank-You

To all the saints who from their labours have not quite yet been able to rest:

Maribeth Mainer	Kitchen Task Group Chair
Keith Sullivan Donald	Architect
Matthew Senf	Contractor, Sasen Renovations
Peter Reinhart	Site Manager, Sasen Renovations
Vern Seel	Parish Treasurer

- All the sub-trades who have patiently worked around each other and the hold-ups.
- All of the community groups who have adapted to less than ideal meeting spaces and last minute surprises.
- The people of the parish who have been creative, cheerful, and, forbearing each other in love, have risen to the challenge of coping without a kitchen for the last few months. Blessed are you!