

## FEBRUARY 19, 2017 • SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Here is an update on the new Church building. As you remember, we are calling this entire endeavor **One In The Light**. For our ultimate goal is not building a new structure . . . it is building up a healthy and vibrant community of faith where we are one in Christ's light. A new building, located between Zimmerman and Princeton, is simply a result of that desire to become one.

On the weekend of January 21/22, Paul May and Kathryn Hunsley, from the architect firm Miller Dunwiddie, presented at the **All Parish Meetings** after all the Masses. They introduced themselves and reiterated that they have no "set or secret building plan." Instead they will continue to listen to us and to craft our ideas/suggestions into drawings that reflect our goals of a new Church building.

They also reiterated the notion that the conception of a new building must ultimately be created from the land. That is, to honor and respect how the land might "birth" a structure . . . instead of forcing a "cookie-cutter" design onto the land. This is an exciting way to think of becoming **One** . . . starting with a one-ness with/from the land.

At the end January, Paul and Kathryn met separately with each of our six Development Teams. The purpose was for the members of those teams (and other interested people) to express their ideas/concerns about the logistics of a new structure. That is, what is needed for size, shape, design, etc.

Next on Saturday, February 4, Paul and Kathryn led members of our New Facility Committee on a tour of four new churches in the Twin Cities area. We observed diverse designs and layouts. The churches we toured were: Pax Christi in Eden Prairie ([www.paxchristi.com](http://www.paxchristi.com)); Colonial Church in Edina ([www.colonialchurch.org](http://www.colonialchurch.org)); St. Victoria in Victoria ([www.stvictoria.net](http://www.stvictoria.net)); and St. Patrick's in Oak Grove / Cedar ([www.st-patricks.org](http://www.st-patricks.org)).

Check out these churches yourself . . . in person or on-line. Of course the committee is open for any other suggestions of new churches that might inspire us. Please take pictures, talk to friends, or best yet . . . continue to share your ideas with us. The names of those on the New Facility Committee are listed in this bulletin. We will be meeting monthly to fine-tune all the possibilities.

Finally, **we have another All Parish Meeting after all Masses, March 4 and 5**. Plan to stay . . . to hear more, share more, and to trust the spirit more in leading us onward.

—Fr. Kevin Anderson, Pastor