

Church of the Holy Family Sanctuary Repairs (CT 1545 Backup)

Church of the Holy Family desires to perform repairs to the structural, lighting, and HVAC systems in the Sanctuary. Along with these repairs, we intend to make acoustical improvements to enhance the listening experience of our parishioners.

With a building now 30 years old, the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system has reached its life's capacity and must be replaced. Part of addressing the HVAC will include water-proofing parts of the building and performing other structural repairs in below grade ductwork as they are exposed during this replacement.

The lighting system used by our parish is antiquated and has become a safety hazard. A new, energy-efficient system will be installed that will ultimately save money and better illuminate the worship space.

Finally, by hiring acoustical engineers and installing a new sound system, the beautiful music our choir produces will be amplified, and the ability of all the parishioners to hear the Word of God proclaimed through the readings and through the homily will be enhanced.

The project will not affect capacity of the Sanctuary. It has been addressed with both the Finance and Parish Councils, and discussed at two parish-wide town hall meetings. The overwhelming consensus was to perform these repairs.

We have spoken with several engineering, lighting, architectural and acoustical firms, who have shared preliminary ideas. The next step is to develop a schematic solution and cost estimate.

This project will be funded with our share of proceeds from the Living Our Mission campaign. Our existing Capital Reserve Fund will augment Sanctuary repair funding as conditions permit.