



JESUS THE KING MELKITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear Brothers and Sisters, Greetings in Christ!

During the last few years, our congregation has been touched with so many blessings. On the other hand, our church and many parishioners have faced tremendous challenges and tests.

After the fire incident in the church, it became apparent that the building is no longer safe to conduct our services. A Church Building Committee (CBC) was formed to explore the best option for the future of our church. From the beginning, CBC has worked tirelessly to ensure the best and most beneficial results are achieved. Many options were extensively explored and carefully studied in a hope to achieve most desirable outcome for our congregation. The option of selling the land on Lyndhurst Drive and acquiring new site in the area was explored. Another option of adding a daycare adjacent to the new church was also considered. Further, the time was wisely spent by CBC team to optimize the design by increasing the seating capacity and reducing cost. Finally, CBC is proud to confirm that the future home for our new church building will remain on existing site at 1 Lyndhurst Drive.

CBC team consists of highly qualified and trusted volunteers from our parish in Toronto and Hamilton, who are diligently working to meet the City of Markham's requirements in order to obtain Zoning and Site Plan Approvals, which is a lengthy and complex process.

CBC understands that this process has taken some time to reach this point, but rest assured that we are doing our utmost diligence to ensure the optimization of the size and use of the new building are achieved while staying within budget. The outcome is an architectural design that meets our future needs.

These extreme challenges are being carefully supported by Msgr. Makarios Wehbi BSO who continues the journey that Rev. Father Ibrahim El-Haddad BSO started during his service to our congregation.

Some Features of the proposed New Church Building:

- * A contemporary and elegant building design.
- * A three (3) bedroom residential unit connected to the church building (Abouna's residence and guests)
- * A Multi-Purpose-Room will be available in the basement that can accommodate 300 people approximately.

- * An elevator servicing all church floor levels
- * Building includes a total of 3 classrooms, 4 offices and 1 meeting room
- * A chapel for small masses and events (up to 40 people)
- * A mother and toddler room with open view to the church
- * A mezzanine that seats about 100 people

BUILDING COMPARISON	EXISTING CHURCH ON LYNDHURST	PROPOSED DESIGN (NEW)	UNIT	% OF THE CHANGE (DELTA)
Building Area - Footprint Outline	5,081	12,000	Sq Ft	++236%
Gross Building Area - All Levels	10,484	27,100	Sq Ft	++258%
Area of Worship	2,800	4,950	Sq Ft	++177%
Number of Occupants	220	475	People	++216%
Number of Parking Spots	75	146	Car	++195%

The following major milestones have taken place in 2020 and are either complete or in the process of being completed:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
1	Zoning pre-consultation meeting with the City of Markham (City)	COMPLETED (July 9 2020)
2	Initial Site Plan Approval (SPA) meeting with the City	COMPLETED (August 25 2020)
3	Preparation for SPA by the City where some of the SPA Submission Requirements are:	
	▪ Site Grading Drawings	WORK-IN-PROGRESS (WIP)
	▪ Site Servicing Drawings	WIP (DESIGN PHASE)
	▪ Landscape Design	WIP
	▪ Street Tree Inventory and Arborist Report	WIP
	▪ Regional Tree Planting and Protection Plan	WIP
	▪ Storm Water Management Plan	WIP
	▪ Functional Servicing Report (Sewer)	WIP
	▪ Erosion and Sediment Control Plan	WIP
	▪ Legal Survey Plan	WIP
	▪ Parcel Registers	COMPLETED (October 2020)
	▪ Phase 1 ESA & if required a Phase 2 ESA	WIP
	▪ Transportation Impact Study	WIP
4	Update Architectural Plans and Drawings	WIP
5	Boreholes drilling for Geotechnical and Environmental Evaluation	WIP
6	Established Contract and Sourcing Committee to liaise between the Consultants/Contractors and the Church Board for optimal quotations/bids and savings	COMPLETED (June 10 2020)

If you have any questions, comments or feedback please do not hesitate to contact us for details. Further, if you consider yourself a motivated and positive volunteer and individual who possess the right experience that can bring value to this project, please get in touch with us through our website at www.new.jesustheking.ca or via email at cbc@jesustheking.ca.

CBC takes this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for being supportive and patient during this journey. Your trust in our Church and the CBC team is greatly appreciated. We hope that our commitment will make the future of our Church brighter and more promising for our families and children.

We wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year. May 2021 be a Healthy and a prosperous year for all of you.

Sincerely,
CBC Team

