# St. Pius X Roman Catholic Parish Building Renewal Discernment

The Parish of St. Pius X is engaged in a discernment process to determine the future of our buildings in a way that best supports parish activities and long-term vitality. For over a decade, the parish has faced challenges with the aging hall.

The New Hall Committee has carefully explored potential solutions, and in collaboration with the Diocese, is presenting four options for parish consideration. We invite you to prayerfully reflect on these choices, considering not only the practical implications but also the spiritual and communal impact of each option. Your voice matters, and your participation is essential in shaping a future that reflects our shared faith and values.

## **Option Overview**

OPTION	CHURCH	HALL	PARKING	FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS	IMPACT ON PARISH LIFE
1. No Changes	Keep the current church as is.	Use the current hall until it becomes unsafe.	No change to parking, ~90 spaces.	Preliminary cost estimate of \$300- 700K for maintenance and repairs of the hall. Does not include church and hall accessibility upgrades which will be considerable.	Accessibility, high risk of hall failure, losing space for programs and outreach.
2. Fundraise for New Hall	Keep the current church as is.	Build a new standalone hall once fundraising goal is reached.	No change to parking, ~90 spaces.	Requires fundraising. Estimated cost in excess of \$3M. Does not include church accessibility upgrades which will be considerable.	Timeline for new hall is unknown; accessibility and maintenance issues remain with Church. Construction disruption of 18 months.
3. Partial Redevelopment	Keep the current church as is.	Build a new hall on the ground floor of a 6-storey residential building.	New surface parking with min. 70 spaces.	Revenue from housing development covers basic hall cost. Potential surplus would be allocated for church accessibility related upgrades. Fundraising for additional enhancements.	Improved facilities, but church remains separate; accessibility and maintenance issues remain with Church. 2-year construction disruption.
4. Full Redevelopment	Build a new standalone church.	Build a new hall on the ground floor of a 6-storey residential building.	New surface parking with min. 70 spaces.	Revenue from housing development covers all basic parish building costs.	Fully modern, accessible facilities but requires 2 years of temporary worship space.

## Verification

To ensure the integrity of this feedback process, you are required to provide your contact information and meet the eligibility requirements listed below. The New Hall Committee and Parish leadership are committed to gathering input from as many parishioners as possible while ensuring that each individual submits only one feedback form. All information and responses will be used solely for verification purposes and will remain confidential. Submission will not be considered unless contact information is shared.

Name:
Email Address:
Phone #:
Address:
Date:

## Eligibility

Eligibility to complete the parish survey is based on commitment to the parish community. To qualify, an individual must meet the following criteria:

#### 1. Parish Membership

- + The individual must be a registered member of the parish.
- + Membership may be confirmed through the parish records or attestation from clergy or ministry leaders in cases where participation is not formally documented.

### 2. Age Requirement

+ The individual must be at least 18 years of age at the time of survey participation.

#### 3. Submission of Personal Information

+ The individual must complete and submit the required personal information, which includes name and contact details.

### 4. Pastoral Discretion

+ If an individual does not meet all of the above criteria, the pastor may grant permission to participate in the survey.

## Thank you + Next Steps

As we move forward in this discernment process, let us pray for wisdom, unity, and clarity in making decisions that will best serve our parish family. May the Holy Spirit guide our hearts and minds as we choose a path that strengthens our community and deepens our faith. Thank you for your participation in this sacred process. Your thoughts, prayers, and voices are invaluable in shaping the future of St. Pius X Parish. **Please complete this form and return it to the office or at Mass by Monday, March 31.** We expect to share the outcomes of this process by mid-April.



If you have any questions, please reach out to June or Glen: june@stpiusx.ca or glen@stpiusx.ca

## **Option Evaluation Scorecard**

To better understand the perspectives of parishioners, the Parish conducted Conversations in Spirit to explore values, experiences of parishioners, and hopes for the future of the parish community. The key themes emerging from recent discussions were community, spiritual development and service. Now, the New Hall Committee and Church leadership invite you to evaluate the options for the future of our parish buildings. Take a moment to reflect on the needs of our current parish and that of the generations to come. Review each option carefully, keeping in mind the spirit of our community. Using the evaluation criteria below, developed based on recent discussions and emerging themes from parishioner input, please provide each option a score from 1 to 5 for each value. Please complete this evaluation and return it at Mass or to the office by **Monday, March 31.** 

For each question, choose a rating from **1 to 5** based on how well the option meets the needs of the parish:

- 1 Not at all This option does not support this need and has major concerns.
- 2 Needs improvement -> This option addresses some parts of this need but has important gaps.
- **3 Okay →** This option meets the basic need but could be stronger.
- 4 Good This option supports this need well, with only minor limitations.
- **5 Excellent →** This option fully supports this need and is a great fit.

RATE EACH QUESTION (SCALE OF 1 TO 5):	OPTION 1 NO CHANGE	OPTION 2 FUNDRAISE	OPTION 3 PARTIAL REDEVELOPMENT	OPTION 4
<b>1. COMMUNITY</b> How well does this option support a welcoming and inclusive parish environment that fosters social gatherings and meaningful relationships?				
<b>2. COMMUNITY</b> How effectively does this option provide appropriate spaces and opportunities to serve parishioners of all life stages, from children to seniors, in faith, fellowship, and pastoral care?				
<b>3. COMMUNITY</b> How effectively does this option provide physical accessibility, seating, lighting, acoustics, and other features that ensure all parishioners can fully participate in church life?				

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4. SPIRITUAL GROWTH				
How well does this option support the experience of Mass and liturgical celebrations, while preserving the spiritual identity of St. Pius X?				
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How effectively does this option support ministries within the parish, making it easier for parishioners to serve and participate actively?				
6. SERVICE				
How well does this option strengthen the parish's ability to serve the wider community through outreach programs and social justice initiatives?				
7. SERVICE				
How well does this option provide adequate and well-designed spaces for social events and practical needs such as kitchen, storage, and meeting rooms?				
8. PARISH IDENTITY				
How effectively does this option preserve the spiritual, communal and historical character of St. Pius X while allowing for necessary updates?				
9. PARISH GROWTH				
How well does this option align with the evolving needs of the parish, ensuring				
opportunities for expansion, demographic shifts, and long-term community engagement?				
10. SUSTAINABILITY				
How financially responsible is this option in balancing investment in infrastructure with				
long-term operational and maintenance costs?				
TOTAL SCORE (Out of 50)				