

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The House Committee determined for the 2019 year, that only necessary repairs and maintenance activities would be performed on the church property after extensive repairs and construction were undertaken on the stairs and ramp at the North West corner of the building the previous year.

The House Committee was able to coordinate with a generous parishioner in having the weathered exterior wood surfaces of the church repainted, including all exterior doors, frames, and trim, inclusive of the church's steeple. Additionally, the weathered pillars at the main entrance of the church were reconstructed and painted improving the church's aesthetic from the street and improving the weatherability of the surfaces painted.

In April, the church's fire safety plan was created by Lonergan Alarms, the new fire services contractor appointed by the House Committee for the church. Once the Fire Plan was created, an inspection from Toronto Fire Services was conducted to evaluate and certify the Fire Plan. Unfortunately, Toronto Fire discovered some compliance issues with regards to the fire safety of the church building due to both age of the building and predominantly its use to accommodate overnight guests for the Out Of The Cold Program during the winter months. The church is required to install a number of 'fire breaks' within the building consisting of fire-resistant doors. The church hired a consulting firm to evaluate and communicate with Toronto Fire with regards to recommendations and requirements. Acting upon recommendations of the consultants, the House Committee undertook to source a contractor who could provide the necessary remediations with the intention of bringing the church into compliance with the Toronto Fire Code. As at the end of 2019, a contractor has been selected for this activity, and it is anticipated that the installation of all necessary fire breaks will be installed for reinspection by Toronto Fire sometime in 2020.

The annual church clean-up was held late in the year, with the main goal of assisting Dan Ralph by conducting an overall clearing of leaves and debris from the property in preparation for winter. All in attendance worked extremely hard to rake and clear debris to make the church ground presentable and welcoming. Thanking all the volunteers who attended and provided their time and energy to this worthwhile effort.

Looking forward to 2020, the House Committee has several small projects identified that they would like to undertake, however, if you as members have concerns regarding issues as they relate to the building, please inform a member of the House Committee, and they will ensure that the item gets addressed.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the House Committee,

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