

St. Peter's Church Refurbishment

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Dear Parishioners, I would like to let you know the latest in relation to the plans to refurbish St. Peter's Church.

Firstly, I would like to thank our faithful and generous parishioners for their constant financial support for our parish. Following the Renewal of the Offertory Collection Scheme earlier this year many increased their weekly contributions or asked for envelopes for the first time. A number also made arrangements to make their offerings by Standing Order and we are pleased that many signed Gift Aid Declarations. This is very encouraging, especially in the challenging financial circumstances in which most of us find ourselves. Let us remember the guiding principle of equal sacrifice with everyone giving what they can afford. Recently, as a result of adverts in the Bulletin and in the Press, several building contractors expressed an interest in being given the opportunity to tender for the work to St. Peter's. Those who were selected (on the recommendation of the Architect) will return their quotations by the middle of June. However, the renovation work cannot begin until the temporary church is ready for use and this will be determined when the Planning Service gives its approval. Planning permission has been requested for the Temporary Church in Grattan Park and this is not expected to be granted before the middle of May. It would take at least six weeks after planning permission would be received for the temporary building to be ordered and erected. It could not be ready before the end of July. At this stage, subject to planning approval for the temporary church being obtained in May, it is expected that St. Peter's will close for the renovations on Sunday 26th July. It would then take a few days for the seats and other items to be transferred to the temporary church for use during the period of renovations. The Fund Raising Committee has had some meetings and is exploring various ways in which our parishioners can become involved in concerted efforts to raise the money for our very special Church. We look forward to your traditional generosity and support. Let us face the future with hope! Monsignor Aidan Hamill, P.P.

TENDER

Refurbishment of St. Peter's Church – Enablement works for Temporary Church (Church to be supplied by others).

Applications are invited from competent contractors who wish to be considered for inclusion on a select list for enablement works for the provision of a temporary church (subject to planning approval) at North Street, Lurgan.

Contractors should be in possession of the following:-

- A current Tax Exemption Certificate (C1S5 or C1S6) under the Inland Revenue Construction Industry Scheme.
- A company profile.

Applications should be made in writing before 12noon on Friday 24th April 2009 to:- Paul Monaghan Chartered Architects, 53 Malone Rd, Belfast BT9 6RY also at 11 Church Place, Lurgan BT66 6EY.