

Long Term Planning Committee Report

Parish Annual Meeting

January 28, 2024

Building a New Parish Temple: Phase 1

Mission Statement:

With the grace of God and to His glory, the long-term planning commission will provide a plan for the Christ the Savior Parish for Capital Improvement with the primary goal being construction of a new Church Temple according to the Tradition of the Orthodox Church.

GOAL: Build a new Orthodox Church on our current property.

Approved at the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting

What is Phase 1?

This phase will result in a **master site plan** that will be submitted to Worcester County for approval. This approval is needed before we can move forward with activities related to the actual building of the new temple (Phase 2). The following are required to complete a master site plan:

- A limited wetlands delineation of the proposed temple site and parking area.
Completing this step will require the following:
 - An update of our existing survey to include what is on our property currently. This will be submitted to Worcester County.
 - A new survey of the temple building site and parking area
 - Identification of areas on the property where land will need to be cleared of trees to provide access to the previously approved septic reserve area and to the temple building and parking area
 - Approval of all required state and local permits

Who will do this work?

- Wetland delineation: We hope to contract with Spencer Rowe who has done previous wetland delineation for Christ the Savior and is familiar with our property.
- Survey work: We have met with Frank Lynch, Jr. who has done all previous surveys of our property. Frank will do site drawings and will consult with and shepherd us through the county and state zoning and permit application processes. Frank will work closely with Spencer Rowe and Christ the Savior to ensure that we meet all requirements for site plan approval.

When will this be done?

Once approval is given by the Parish body and funds are raised, Phase 1 activities may begin. Frank Lynch could start his work in about a month. He estimates that master site plan approval can be obtained in approximately 6 months.

Estimate of costs for work summarized above: **\$15,000 - \$25,000**. County and state permit fees are not included.