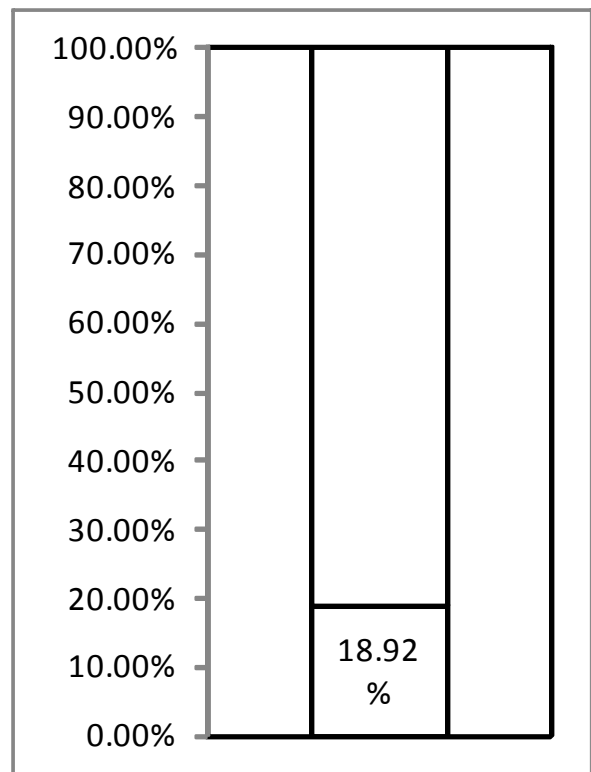


New Kitchen Expansion Approved – Fundraising Under Way

On Sunday, July 11 a general assembly of our parish approved a proposal to expand our parish's kitchen. This proposal had been unanimously recommended for passage by the Parish Council. The Parish Council is of one mind that attainable, visible, value-added projects will continue the momentum in our parish begun with the expansion of our parish church and that these projects will allow the parish to see and feel that we are moving forward as a parish family. Our former Rector, Fr. Paul Karas, always reminded us that a parish can only move forward or move backwards – it cannot stand still. Successfully completing such projects will allow us to move forward to a large church and social hall as soon as possible, while continuing to grow our community and spread the Orthodox Faith in the interim. It is our hope to complete the kitchen expansion project in 2010, a picnic pavilion project in 2011 (this proposal will be brought to a subsequent parish assembly for approval), and to begin fundraising in earnest for the next step, a large parish church and hall, shortly afterwards.

We intend to complete work on the kitchen project this construction season, but in order to do that we will need YOUR HELP! We are committed to completing this project without incurring debt for the parish, which means we need to raise the funds to do the work as soon as reasonably possible. If you can help please do so! The parish general assembly approved a maximum expense of \$15,000 for the kitchen expansion, but we intend to complete this work for much less. Our goal is to spend \$10,000 or even less. Still, we cannot do the work without your financial support. Our Sisterhood is collecting the funds for this project, so please see one of our Sisterhood officers to make a donation so we can get started on the work right away! Progress on fundraising will be tracked in our weekly bulletin, so please keep up to date by reading the bulletin. It is important to note that the first donation has already been made – and that by someone who voted against the proposal. This parishioner noted that although he did not vote for the project he felt it was necessary for us all to come together to support what had been decided by the parish and he wanted to do so visibly and materially and we thank him for his donation and this important lesson for us all!



Thank you in advance for your support and thank you for helping us to accomplish the kitchen expansion as part of the greater plan to move us as quickly as possible to the new church and social hall. Most importantly – we ask your prayers for the success of this project and of our parish as a whole, that we may bring more and more people to the knowledge of the truth for the salvation of their souls!

With Love in our Lord Jesus Christ,

Fr. Gregory Joyce, Rector
Karl Meyer, Starosta