

Holy Apostles Orthodox Church

St. Joseph's Chapel and future Parish Hall

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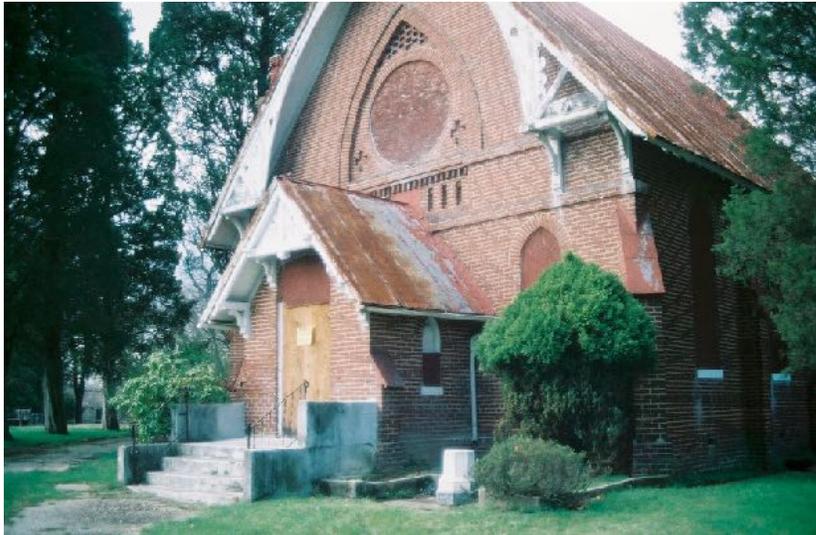
In 2009 we received a gift:
St Joseph's chapel with 2 acres of land...



with the condition that it cannot be sold and will be always be used as a church. So restoring this church has become our goal.

St. Joseph's Chapel

Restoring the historic building (2010-2021)



Pests/termites remediated
Electricity installed



Roof repaired, then partially replaced

Wood restored

Windows repaired/replaced

Masonry restored
Brick repointed

Concrete steps & structures in the back removed

National Registry of Historic Buildings

Maryland National Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC): \$262,000 in 6 grants from PG county for outside work

St. Joseph's Chapel

Restoring the historic building (2010-2021)

- St. Joseph's chapel is a historic building. This means that we need to abide by certain rules about the materials and techniques that can be used for restoration in order to preserve its look close to its original appearance.
- Since 2011, we have applied every 1-2 years and received six grants from the historic commission of MNCPPC, totaling \$262,000.
- We are at this moment applying for a 7th grant.
- This money has allowed us to bring electricity to the chapel, remediate the termite problem, repair and then replace part of the roof, restore wooden verge boards and original windows, restore masonry and repoint brick.

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St. Joseph's chapel

A Volunteer Labor of love

Saturday work days (coordinated by John Hume):

Contribute required 10% to the grant cost
Generally maintain chapel and grounds



St. Joseph's chapel

A Volunteer Labor of love

- Besides contractors, which we have been able to hire thanks to the grant money and generous donations, a lot of work has been, and still is, regularly performed by our own parishioners and friends of the parish.
- Work days are organized to maintain the chapel and grounds, and to perform the projects that we can to satisfy the condition of the historic grants, which requires a contribution of at least 10% of the grant amount in money or labor.
- It's also a great way to spend to spend your day in the beautiful outdoors, working in the vineyard of the Lord.
- Please be on the lookout for the next date!

Learn more on our parish history and building project in our featured video



Welcome to Holy Apostles Orthodox Church

Holy Apostles Orthodox Church is a parish of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia (ROCOR), founded with the purpose of bringing the Gospel and Divine Services of the Russian Orthodox Church to the people of America in the English language. We invite you to come to any of the Divine Services or events at our mission church. In 2009 we were gifted a beautiful, historic chapel and two-acre campus by the Christian Brothers. Our vision is to establish the parish in its new home, from where the parish can continue to thrive and grow as a living icon of Orthodox missions in America.

New Parish Hall Building Fund

Help us build our new Parish Hall, and
move to our historic Chapel Campus!
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Watch our Video!



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- In 2020 we produced a 13 minute video, representing the hopes and prayers of the faithful of Holy Apostles, to establish our parish in its new home in Beltsville, Maryland.
- The historic 1880 chapel is a beautiful brick country church, situated on a hill, surrounded by two acres of land. The grounds are serene, with many lovely old, stately trees. The property is bordered by a cemetery.
- Please watch our video if you haven't yet, and share it with your friends and family!
- It is prominently featured on our parish website: <https://holyapostlesorthodoxchurch.org>
- and on our parish YouTube channel.

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Our parish video is featured on the side panel on all pages, and in larger size on our Parish Hall Building Project Page.

Click the YouTube logo to watch full screen, share and comment on YouTube!

New Parish Hall Building Project: [New Chapel and Campus \(A Brief History\)](#)

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Watch our Parish Hall Fundraising Video

The Mountain of God in Beltsville, Maryland



Watch on 

This video represents the hopes and prayers of the people of Holy Apostles, to establish our parish in its new home in Beltsville, Maryland, from which the parish can continue to thrive and grow, in its soul-saving mission. In order to do this, we need to build

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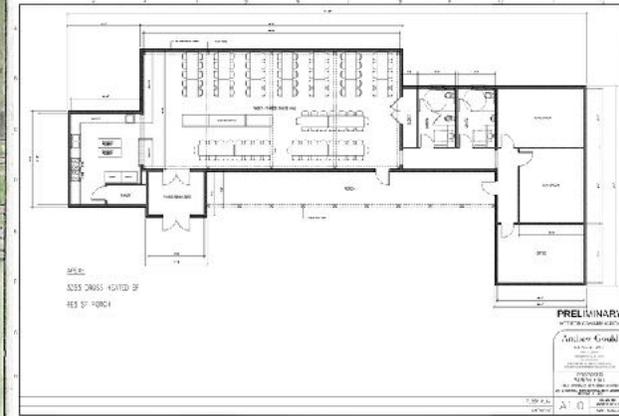
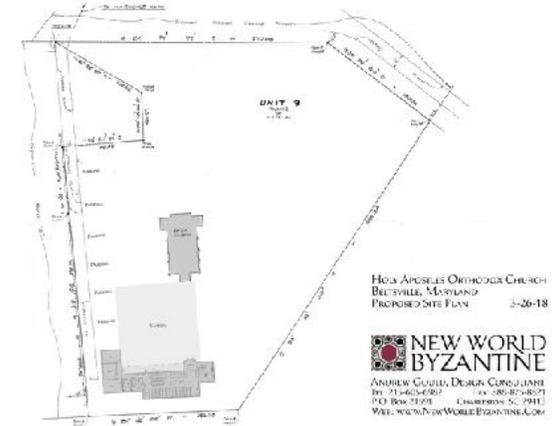
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The Parish Hall Design (2017 - today)



- Since we received the property, we had been considering different ways of restoring and adding non-worship spaces, such as bathrooms, kitchen and classrooms to the existing chapel.
- After meeting with several architects, the pieces finally fell into place.
- We contracted with renowned Orthodox architect Andrew Gould to share with us his vision for our future church “campus” and to design our parish hall.
- Andrew presented his vision to us in October of 2017.
- You may watch a video of this presentation on our website, www.holyapostlesorthodoxchurch.org

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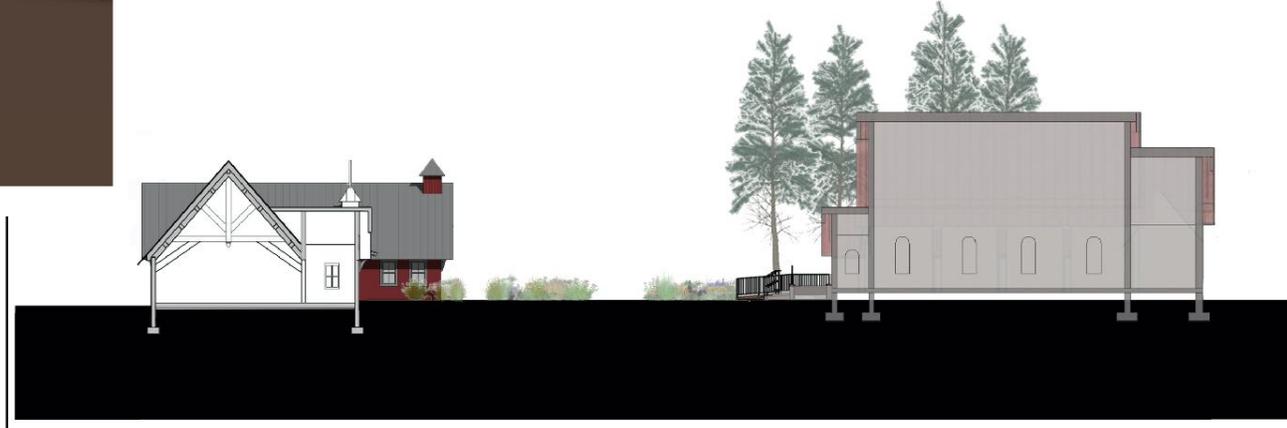


Architect Andrew Gould, presenting his vision for our parish hall, October 2017

Parish Hall, 2021



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Visualizing the campus - 7 slides

Parish Hall, 2021 - Visualizing the campus

- With Andrew Gould being in Charleston, South Carolina, we hired a local firm SPIRE Architecture to serve as the 'architects of record' and take care of the local and more immediate workings of the design and preparing all the necessary documentation.
- SPIRE, together with LandTech Civil Engineering company are finishing their set of engineering, environmental and architectural drawings to obtain all the necessary permits to begin building the parish hall.
- Pictured in the next three slides are the views of the future parish hall:

Parish Hall, 2021 - Visualizing the campus

View from just east of the chapel, in the field where we held our outdoor Liturgies last year.



Parish Hall, 2021 - Visualizing the campus

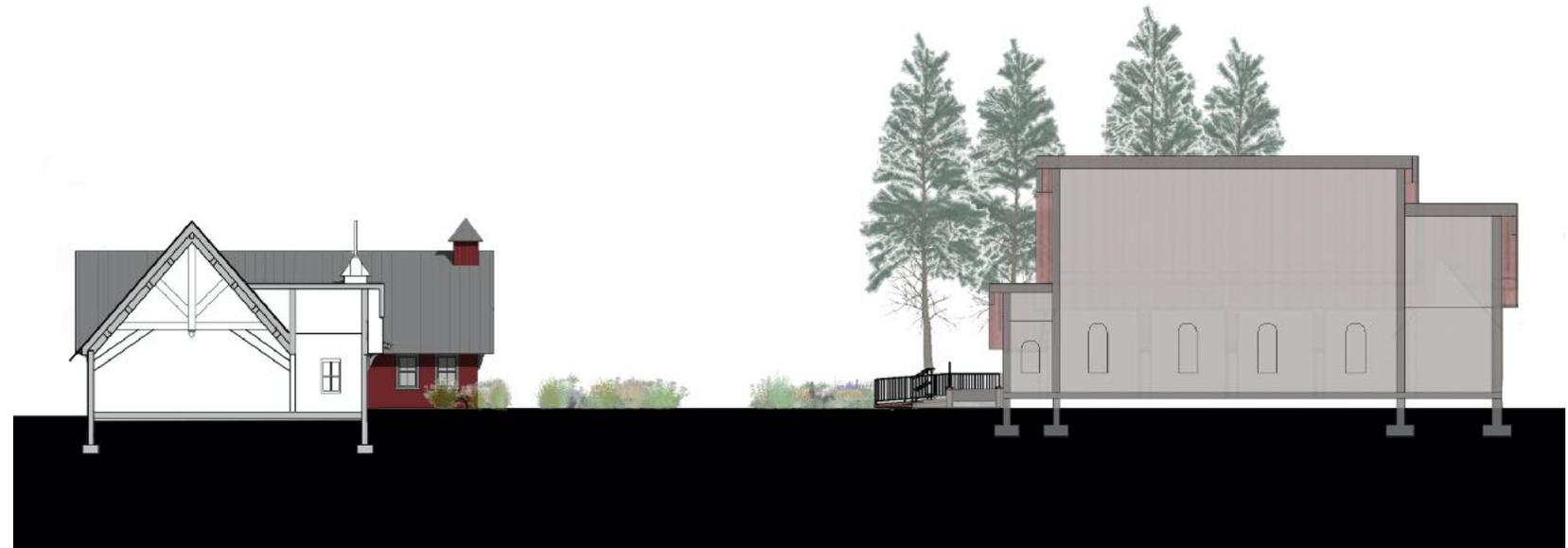
View from the cemetery,
looking east towards the
new Parish Hall.



Parish Hall, 2021 - Visualizing the campus

This schematic presents the relative sizes and distances between the buildings, with the historic St Joseph's chapel on the right, and the future parish hall on the left.

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Parish Hall, 2021 - Visualizing the campus

These next two schematics presents the chapel-parish hall complex in the context of our entire parcel of land.

This shows an aerial view over the chapel (right), and parish hall (left), with courtyard and walkway in between.

