

MPB 125

1892 – 2017

The capital fundraising campaign to mark the 125th anniversary of the Catholic Church of the Most Precious Blood, London SE1

Patrons of the Appeal

The Most Reverend Peter Smith - Archbishop of Southwark

The Right Reverend Monsignor Keith Newton – Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

Key points

- In 2013, £55,000 was raised from the parish congregation to install the underfloor heating system over the top of the existing bare concrete floor.
- The heating tiles form a temporary floor on which a new limestone floor finish is to be placed.
- The sanctuary area needs heating and a new floor to integrate with the nave flooring.
- The walls of the Church were originally painted and stencilled. When that decoration got dirty and deteriorated the whole of the church interior was painted at various times (from the 1970s onwards) building up layers of paint which did not always bond to the underlying layer resulting in flaking and peeling.
- Removal of all the paint layers would be extremely expensive; our architect advocates a scheme for stabilisation and redecoration rather than removal.
- This two year campaign will raise funds for
 - the completion of the nave and sanctuary flooring.
 - stabilization of the paint finish and decoration of the walls.
 - new electrical and lighting.
 - provision of toilets and completion of the organ.
- The target is to raise £250,000 and have the works complete by 1st July 2017.
- The first call on funds from this appeal will be to lay the stone floor throughout the nave and sanctuary and to create ramps to make the building fully accessible.
- Timescale - Ideally we would like to be in a position to do the flooring in late 2015. Redecoration of the walls and replacement of the lighting will follow in 2016 and the final phase in 2017.

Phase 1	
Stone floor and ramps to the Nave and Narthex	£66,000.00
Sanctuary - heating, flooring & decoration	£25,000.00
Phase 2	
Church walls - Paint stabilisation & redecoration	£25,000.00
Electrical and lighting upgrade to whole Church	£25,000.00
Phase 3	
Toilets and facilities	£15,000.00
Completion of the west end organ	£80,000.00
Fees, contingency & miscellaneous	£14,000.00
	£250,000.00