

We hope that you have now heard of the major project underway at Holy Trinity Church intended to make our building and our facilities more accessible and more welcoming for people with reduced mobility ( or “Personnes à Mobilité Réduite – PMR - in French). The work, which will also include a full revamp of our toilet facilities, is expected to commence in May and last until the summer.

**We are now launching the “PMR Project appeal” in order to provide partial financing for this significant investment.** Our target is to raise at least €30 000 through this special appeal towards the overall cost of the project (estimated to be in excess of €90 000), and once again we are appealing to you the people of Holy Trinity Maisons Laffitte to help us realise this objective.

### **How are we looking to raise these funds and how can you help us?**

**Firstly** we are appealing to your generosity and financial support for our church **by asking you to make a financial donation to the project if you feel able to.** Your Church Council has discussed and prayed in depth about this project and we all feel that it is a most important step forward in the life of our church and in reinforcing the message that Holy Trinity is open and welcoming to everybody, whatever their nationality, race, ethnic background or physical capabilities. We do hope you will feel as passionate about this project as we do.

Donations can be made either by bank transfer or by cheque to be given or sent to Francis Titley (in charge of the overall project), Simon Tennant or Bob Hughes. While this appeal is separate from the usual Planned Giving programme (and we do hope that it will not detract from it!), we will arrange for any gifts to qualify for the same tax relief (for French taxpayers). We would ask that you include a reference to the “PMR Project” on any transfers made or cheques sent in. if you need any help or information on making a transfer to the Holy Trinity account, please ask Bob or Simon.

**Second,** we want this project and this Appeal to build on the themes of hospitality and coming together as a community that were put forward last year as part of our long term vision for Holy Trinity Church. With this in mind we will be organizing **a number of events intended to both raise money and bring us together more often.** Some exciting ideas have already been put forward (Organ concert, mass “kosher” Indian meal, Auction of Promises, Jazz evening) and you will receive more details as and when dates and organization are firmed up. You can help us simply by attending and enjoying these events (and helping to organize them if you feel so moved!). What better plan for 2018 than to see the whole of the Holy Trinity Maisons Laffitte community coming together on a more regular basis to support this project and having some fun while we are doing so.

**Thirdly,** and most importantly, please join us in praying for the smooth execution of the building works and the overall success of the project. Your prayers alone will be a wonderful source of support.

We will keep you regularly updated on the progress with both the work and the fund-raising. Please do not hesitate to ask any of us for information if you have any questions.

In closing, **we realize that some of you on this email list have moved on to other places but we like to still consider you as part of our community.** So we take the liberty of including you as we know from past exchanges that you are happy to have news of what is going on at HTML from time to time. **However, if you prefer not to receive any further communication on this subject, please let us know!**

The PMR Project Steering Committee

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