

St. Catherine's North Vancouver Mission and Vision Statements

May 12, 2017

Dear Parishioners:

We are writing to let you know that on May 10, 2017, the Parish Council has approved new mission and vision statements.

Following the Parish Town Hall on January 14, 2017, the feedback on the draft vision statement was thoroughly reviewed. Many parishioners commented that the draft vision statement was too long and was a description of who St. Catherine's is now and not a statement about the future. The Parish Council listened to this feedback and on May 10, 2017 approved two new statements – a mission statement and a vision statement for St. Catherine's.

What is a mission statement?

A mission statement is a succinct statement about a parish's core purpose – that is, why does the parish exist?

What is a vision statement?

A vision statement is a relatively succinct statement that describes where the parish believes they are being called to become. It has aspirational elements while still being grounded in reality.

New Statements

Mission

St. Catherine's Anglican Church at the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver is a contemporary community of Christian seekers and we welcome you to join us in the journey. We provide a place of spiritual growth through Christ and we respond with gratitude for God's abundance in our lives through service to our brothers and sisters in the world.

Vision

Our vision at St. Catherine's is to:

- Be an inclusive and thriving community of faith for all generations
- Continually invite others to join us in our journey of faith and Christian discipleship
- Honour the strengthening of relationships and development of community, both within our walls and outside of them
- Minister to those in need in Christ's name

What's Next

The mission statement and vision statement will be used in our current communication within the parish and on our website. The statements will guide the Parish Council as it continues its work this year. They will also provide context for the Parish Property Review Committee as it continues its work. The statements will also be used in the Parish Profile, which will be developed by the Canonical Committee once the Canonical process starts.

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