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WHAT’S HAPPENING? Our landmark Cathedral, which you are creating and which is shaping up to be a center of our Greek Orthodox faith in the heart of the City, is waiting for completion of the exterior. You should be very proud of what you are accomplishing. Share the good news with your friends, relatives and neighbors. Invite them to come and see what you are doing in response to God’s invitation, “Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you.” (Translated from the Septuagint: Καὶ ποιήσεις µοι ἁγίασµα, καὶ ὀφθήσοµαι εἰ σοι. (Exodus 25:8). As for specifics, waterproofing of the deck and around the garage is nearing completion. The entrenchment drain is being constructed, as is the housing for the garage exhaust ducts. Meanwhile, the archways are also being restored. Oh, yes, we will also install temporary doors; the permanent doors will be installed when the interior is completed, before using the space. That’s about it for the exterior.

As for the garage, we hope to start using the garage in about 90 days.

Now for the interior: we hope to do much of the upper wall installation by the end of 2017, as your generosity permits. In order for us to continue, we need your prayers and your continued financial support. When everything is completed, we will be able to consecrate the new Cathedral to the glory of God. More than likely, this will take place to coincide with our 100th anniversary, in 2021. God will bless us, indeed, if His All Holiness, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, who laid the cornerstone back in 1997, also consecrates it to God’s glory! Now is let us resolve to move full-speed ahead to complete what we’ve begun!

“The Church shall be a home for Orthodox Christians from every ethnic and national background. It shall be a house of prayer for all humankind, in which the Holy Name of our Triune God shall be extolled and all of creation sanctified.”

(Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, Ground breaking, November 6, 1997)