



# CATHEDRAL ISLE OF MAN

**Patron:** HRH The Princess Royal

*Community, Worship, Culture*



West Front: St. German's, Cathedral, Peel. Isle of Man

**A Cathedral re-ordered for Mission in 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

## History

Building and re-building the Island's Cathedral has been happening since the arrival of St German in 447. Until the late 18<sup>th</sup> century the site was on St Patrick's Isle off Peel. The ruins of the Medieval Cathedral remain there as part of Peel Castle, once the stronghold of the Norse Kings of Mann and the Isles.



The present Cathedral was originally built between 1879-84 and while it was intended to be the new Cathedral, the necessary legislation was not passed by Tynwald, so it became a Parish Church to replace St Peter's on Peel's market place. Instead the chapel at Bishops court, Kirk Michael acted as the pro-Cathedral. In 1979 with the sale of Bishops court the diocese was left without a cathedral, and this forced the issue of choosing a new one. After public consultation, Kirk German Parish Church was designated, and dedicated on All Saints Day (1 November 1980).

## Our Vision

We are re-ordering the Cathedral for today and the next generation. We aim to open this wonderful worship space to the whole community of the Island and those who visit.

In doing this we will enhance the worship space and enable other secular community events to take place within the cathedral with a high-quality sound and light system. The Cathedral has already hosted three editions of the BBC's 'Songs of Praise'. The last one in 2023 included a walk around the beautiful gardens.



We are also fortunate in having high quality music, with adults and children's choirs.

**We will use the Cathedral for:**

- National Events
- Daily Worship
- Regular community groups such as Toddlers and the Big Table Café operating on the basis of *'Eat what you want, pay what you can'*.
- Performing Arts, drama, music and theatre complementing and working with the neighbouring Centenary Centre for major Festivals.



**Above:** Photo of Mollag Ghennal performing at the Cathedral Crossing.



**Above:** Big Table Café in the Corrin Hall

## **We Aim to provide:**

- an accessible flat floor throughout the Cathedral
- an environmentally friendly underfloor heating system powered by Air Source Heat Pumps using green electricity
- heat the building in winter cost effectively
- stackable chairs to allow for maximum flexibility by users
- increased community use enabling full daily use.

## **Work to be Undertaken**

In addition to the main requirement of heating and a flat floor, other improvements will include:

- a commercial kitchen for community use
- a toilet block with disabled toilet and baby-change
- a mezzanine floor with meeting room/Chapel at ground level and meeting room/vestry above
- automatic doors at the main entrance, offering easy access and help to retain heat in the building in the winter
- new door/fire exit in the south transept, leading to the garden
- high quality flagstone floor
- state of the art visual and audio systems, including:
  - projector screen and TV monitors
  - upgraded lighting and sound system
  - console to control light and sound
  - upgraded live-streaming for viewing events off site

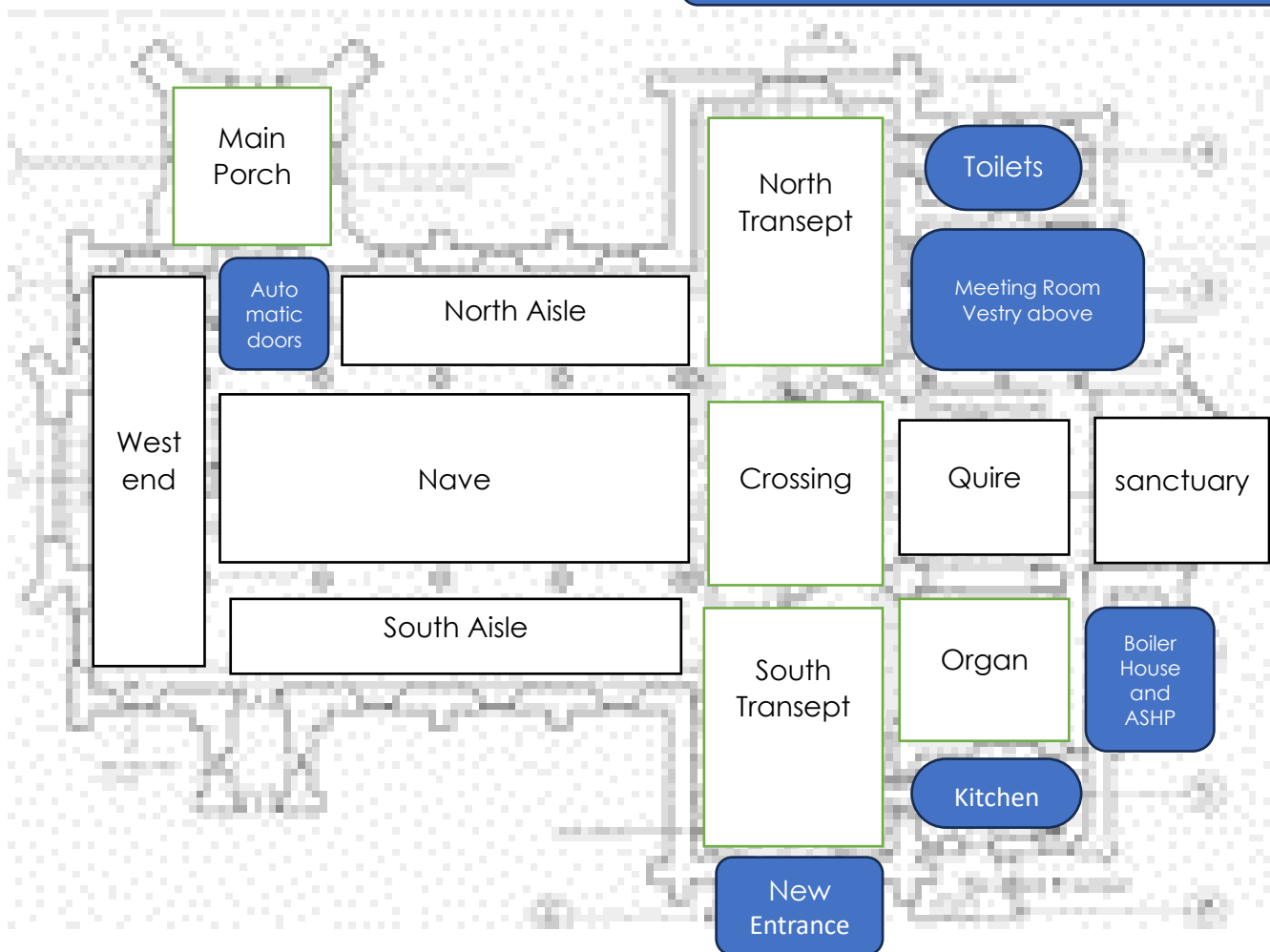
## **The 'Jupiter' Underfloor Heating System**

Jupiter Heating will install the underfloor heating system and have done prestigious projects such as the Bodleian Library, Oxford and many church buildings. This is a dry installed system. The Flagstones will be laid on top.



## New development of Cathedral

New Areas marked in blue



### The Challenge

We believe that on completion the Cathedral will be a beautiful House of God that the Island and visitors can be proud of and be refreshed, both spiritually, mentally and physically.

Find us on facebook or website. [cathedral.im](http://cathedral.im)

If you would like to contribute to this project which will be of immense benefit to our Island and the City of Peel, please do get in touch:

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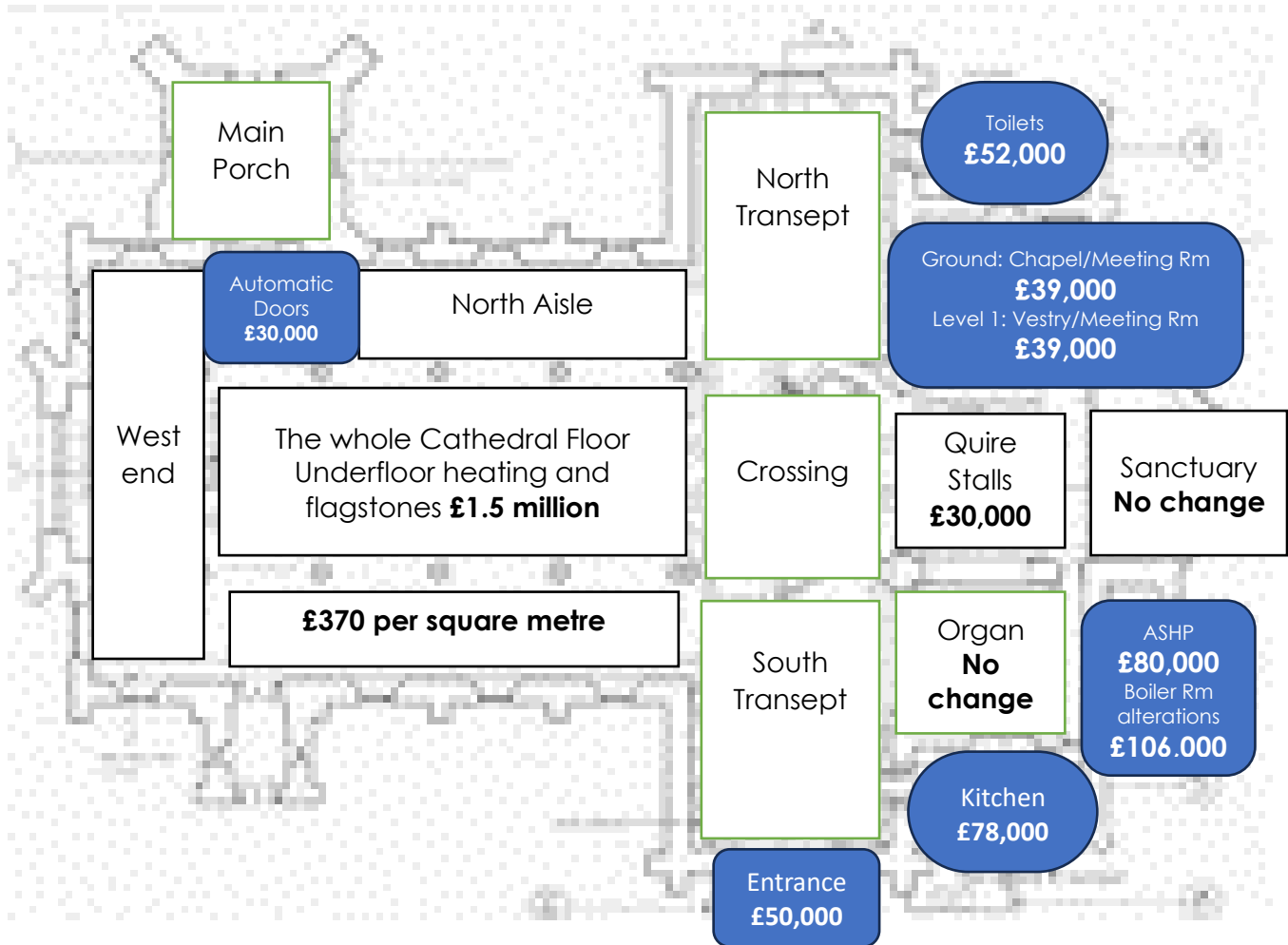
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## What will it Cost?

The overall cost of the project is in excess of £2 million. Some of the main costs are indicated on the plan. Smaller items are listed below.



## What a Gift might buy:

- 1 sq. m. of flagstones £200
- A Chair £250
- Light fitting £900
- Servery Counter £3,000
- Live-stream Cameras £7,500
- Velux windows Vestry £14,000
- Choir Stalls lighting £16,000
- Choir Stalls alterations £18,000
- Projection equipment £30,000
- Light & sound control £40,000

All gifts are recorded in a **Thank You Book**, though gifts may also be given anonymously.





Please help us to serve the next Generation ...



**Above:** Choristers singing round the Advent Wreath



**Above:** Dancing on the Labyrinth at 'Our Island, Our World Event'



## How to Donate

I would like to make a regular gift of ..... monthly ☐ annually ☐

I would welcome making the gift by standing order and would ask for forms ☐

**Or**

I/we would like to make a 'one off' donation of .....

I am interested in making a legacy ☐

Please advise the name/event you would like to be recorded in the **THANK YOU** donation book which will be on public view.

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*It is said that you can't take it with you; I say there are two things you can take with you: the things you do for others and the things you do to others'*

Harold Corne

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