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### OPERATION ONEONTA

The following update on "OPERATION ONEONTA" is provided by Father Thomas Langdon:

I would like to give an update on "Operation Oneonta," and I've enclosed some photos of the progress after our work day on Saturday (26 November). Saint James Episcopal Church in cooperation with its pastor, Father Kenneth Hunter, have invested a substantial amount ~ \$20,000 ~ to renovate the space. Saint Innocent's Mission donated \$2,000 toward the project. This has largely been covered by member donations. We are also painting, installing a simple iconostasis, and creating a bookstore/meeting area in a third of the space. Our targeted completion date for the initial phase is the middle of December this year.



We do not have a great need of labor, but we could use the help of an electrician to install some sconces. We also have some minor carpets repairs and woodworking projects for anyone skilled in those areas. We do have enough funds to cover the repairs and renovation, but we would certainly welcome any monetary contributions. Above all, we would appreciate the prayers of our brothers and sisters from the local Church of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. Thank you in advance for your loving and prayerful support.

The location of the church on Main Street in Oneonta NY. There are a number of small restaurants, coffee houses, bookstores, etc. on Main Street in the heart of this college town. I would like to ask everyone's prayers for a presentation I have planned on December 17<sup>th</sup> at the local health food store entitled: "Ecology, Community, and Ancient Celtic Spirituality." The focus will be on the early Irish Christian Church and traditional Christianity. "Green Earth" -- the health food store and café -- is located a few blocks down the street from our new location. We are continuing to develop a presence in the community of Oneonta,



