

Assumption & Resurrection Parishes
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
1st March, 2016

Date: 1 March, 2016

Members Present: Fr. Mitch Fidyka, Lynn Smarsh, Janet Campbell, Helen Gledhow, Marcel Arcand, Miles Berry, Andrew Nelson, Nora Parker, David Gordon, Kevin McGoey, Jose Marr

Regrets: Brad Abercrombie

Opening Prayer: Helen Gledhow

Minutes: David Gordon

Agenda: accepted as amended

Minutes for 2 February, 2016

Amendment: 6. Evening talks are March 6-8 with March 8th having a short talk followed by Penitential Service.

Amendment: 4. Now attending Grades 3 and 7.

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Amendment: 4. Rent is approx. \$1500/month for each suite. Expenses approx. \$40k for the family and \$35K for the adult woman.

Amendment: 6. ICPM Lunches dates set for May 22 and August 28 as joint parish effort.

Minutes accepted as amended

Minute	Action Requested
<p>1. Mission March 5-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Archbishop Sylvain Lavoie will present the homily at all masses on the weekend.• Mission Presentation Topics: Sunday: Holy Thursday, Monday: Good Friday, Tuesday: Resurrection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sign up sheet requesting help for Setup, Cleanup, Greeters• A basket for free will collection to be set at each entrance• Special envelopes (already acquired) for the collection to be available at each entrance.
<p>2. World Youth Day Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fund Raising:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Raised \$30,000 to date, Target: \$37,000, 4 months to go.○ Bins for bottles available until 4 April. Raising approx. \$1000 per month.○ CWL bake sales and KofC pancake breakfasts will continue○ Combined bake sale in May or June• Archdiocese Retreat organised• Date set for local retreat.• A presentation after the pilgrims' return is expected.• WCR interviewed pilgrims, expect the interviews in next issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•

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<p>3. Liturgical Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easter Liturgy preparations under way. • WYD pilgrims receiving oils at Chrism Mass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help required at joint Vigil mass at Resurrection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Music ○ Post Vigil reception setup and clean up. • Bulletin to contain information
<p>4. Syrian Families Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The family and single woman settling in. The children are settling in school. One single woman is not coming. • The single woman Seema will be moving into a single bedroom apartment on 1 April. • The budget is reasonable and they will be presenting expense reports. • The 26 year old woman is studying to upgrade her pharmacy to Canadian requirements. • 5th March, Catholic Social Services holding a meeting to update statuses. Providing cars is an issue to be discussed at the meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>5. World Day of Prayer Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 4th March at Ottewell United. • Presentation by Cuban women. • Ladies from the Parishes will participate as readers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>6. Sacramental Preparation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Communion and Reconciliation on April 17. 34 for 1st Communion. • 21 for Confirmation, Sunday 15th May • 16th March last session for preparation. Will hold a reception after mass for participants, parents and prayer partners. • Thank you for the teams' assistance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>6. a St. Vincent DePaul</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marcel presented a history of the Assumption Conference of St. Vincent DePaul. Main issue is that the members are becoming older and not able to lift furniture. The executive of Edmonton SVD has tried to help Assumption Conference increase membership and revitalise the Conference. At St. Thomas d'Aquin Parish, a SVD Conference was set 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nora and Marcel to discuss with the Social Justice Committee at their next meeting. • Make presentations to Parishioners.

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up to service the needs of the French community of Edmonton. However, they have a challenge in that they need to deliver to homes all over the city.

- Is it possible that the two Conferences could join up together? Need to confer with the Social Justice Committee.

6. b **Family of the Month**

- The KofC wish to make a presentation of Family of the Month award to the family of a member who have provided great support to the Holy Family Council activities. This would help the Council to be more visible in the Parish. Much discussion followed.
- Issues: why at mass, why only KofC and not all Parish volunteers?
- Suggestion to make use of the Bulletin to assist in making the Council more visible.

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7. **Review of Together in Ministry Manual**

- The members identified that a plan for the Parish is needed.
- A retreat in September time frame would be ideal. The TIM manual presents a method for planning activities.
- April meeting will discuss planning priorities.

- Parish Council members are to present planning questions at the next meeting.
- Lynn is to ask Brad to chair the April meeting.

8. **Father's Observations**

- A new person will be appointed as the parish accountant.
- A button will be placed on the Parish web site for parishioners to make donations.
- Economics has caused some parishes struggle to meet their Together We Serve donation goals. However, we continue to be financially viable, but we need to continue to be careful with expenses.

- It is planned that quarterly financial statements be made available.

9. **Father's Blessing**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 5 April, 2016 at 7:00pm at St. Michael's Hall
Opening Prayer: Josee Marr
Recorder of Minutes: David Gordon