

**Holy Redeemer Pastoral Council
Draft Minutes
May 24, 2007**

NOTE: These are DRAFT minutes and are not official until adopted at the subsequent Pastoral Council meeting.

Present: Adam Dupuis, Ray Fournier, Tom Lavrisa, Blair Malis, Sharron Quinn, Dave Roberts, Anna Marie Young

Absent: Claire Cheesman, Fr. Paul Shepherd

Opening Prayer

The meeting started with a prayer led by Sharron Quinn.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the May 3 meeting were reviewed and adopted without correction.

Report of Ministries

Liturgy

Fr. Paul was leading the tour of the Holy Land, so no report was available.

Finance

Ray reported that Fr. Paul has the contracts for the parish staff, so that they can be completed and signed.

Education

Claire was on the tour of the Holy Land, so no report was available.

Social Mission

No meeting was held since our last meeting.

Parish and Community Life

Sharron Quinn reported that the committee meeting would be held on Monday.

Youth Commission

Adam Dupuis reported that the next Youth Commission meeting would be held next Wednesday. We expect to review Melissa Delaney's report at this meeting. Tom Lavrisa reported that hiring of our youth coordinator will take place during the summer, so that there will be ample time for preparation with the new program next year.

Youth Groups

Adam reported that the Under the Son rally will be held this weekend, so there will be no Senior Youth group meeting. At the following meeting, Fr. Mark Goring will present a talk to the youth.

Events Committee

Dave Roberts reported that the applications and approvals are proceeding well, although some are applying too late, with little time to review the application before the event day. There is an Eucharistic Congress in Quebec City on June 9 & 10 where the organizers expect 15,000 attendees. They have asked us to advertise the event on our bulletin board and contribute to the organizing of the event through a special collection.

Annual General Meeting

Anna Marie prepared a one-page invitation to be sent to all volunteers for the Appreciation Reception. Sharron reported that she obtained promises of help for decorating the hall. Marcello DeLuca will be asked to provide music. Wine and cheese, crackers, pop, fruit and a chocolate fountain are planned for refreshments. Three cakes will be ordered with appropriate lettering for the event. Sharron will obtain a

float of \$1000 to cover the expenses; the budget is \$1500. Tom reported that he had not received any reports yet, and recommended a deadline of May 31 so that the report could be collated and copied in time.

Varia

Deacon Paul has started preparing the Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday Masses, making them more personalized to our parish. Prayers were requested for our Catholic schools and the teachers. Sharron will look into making the Friday Fax available to Pastoral Council members.

Anna Marie received quotes of \$18 for a 2 colour sign and \$24 for a three colour sign for the Handicapped Access and Service Animal signs. She was authorized to proceed with a 2 colour sign for each of them. The first sign will be placed on the door used for handicapped access below the push bar; the second will be on the side light of the door.

No one was available for the presentation on the Refugee Committee request to sponsor a family related to a parishioner, so it was deferred to the next meeting. Ray will inquire at the Archdiocese if there was any other precedent for using the persecution clause to expedite immigration to Canada.

Anna Marie will order the plaque for the library to be dedicated at the Annual General Meeting.

A letter has been sent to the schools on our parish boundary changes. This will also be an item in our bulletin and notice posted on our web site. We want parishioners to re-register to confirm attendance at our parish.

We have received one nomination for a new member for Pastoral Council next year. Flo Hanna has indicated her willingness to stand for election to Sharron Quinn. Tom Lavrisa and Adam Dupuis will ask two others to step forward.

Anna Marie, Peggy, Sharron and Tom will represent our parish at the Archbishop's retirement reception. The parish banner will be displayed and a card given to Marcel Gervais wishing him well.

Anna Marie will compose a letter to City Council supporting the dedication of a parkette to Clarence Maheral, a parishioner who has done much for the community. Tom Lavrisa will request the Knights of Columbus to also supply a similar letter.

Next Meeting

The next meeting has not been scheduled yet. If held, it will be after the Annual General Meeting.