

**Pastoralni Svet – Brezmadežna Čudodelne Svetinje (Toronto)**

**Pastoral Council – Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Toronto)**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting #11 – March 21, 2011**

Attendees:

Cvetka Andrejaš  
Father Valentin Batič  
Father Antonio Burja  
Mojca Dimperio  
Robert Ferkul  
Marjeta Franc  
Sonya Horvat  
John Jereb  
Sr. Kristina  
Rozika Nesich  
Andrej Pahulje  
Cody Petersen  
Paula Petersen  
Laurie Ulcar  
Millie Ulcar  
Milan Vinčec  
Josephine Žilavec

Representing:

Church Secretary  
Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
Women's Choir (Naša Pesem)  
Planika / Mladi Glas  
Slovenian Apostolic Circle  
Catechists  
Usher / Bartenders  
Sisters of Mary  
Catholic Women's League  
Church Organist  
Scouts  
Scouts  
Children's / Youth Choirs (Novi Rod)  
Otroški Kotiček  
Slovenian School  
Nageljčki / Nagelj

<b><u>No.</u></b>	<b><u>Discussion:</u></b>	<b><u>Action:</u></b>
1.	<u>Distribution of Agenda</u> An agenda was distributed to all attendees. A copy is attached.	Fr. Burja
2.	<u>Opening Prayer</u> Fr. Burja began the meeting with a prayer and a prayer commemoration of the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish.	Fr. Batič
3.	<u>Previous Minutes</u> Sonya Horvat reviewed the minutes of the last meeting held February 28, 2011. - Correction to previous minutes: Item #7 – Upcoming Events, "Bishop Boštjan Lenart" should be "Father Boštjan Lenart".	Sonya Horvat
4.	<u>Spiritual Renewal</u> Mojca Dimperio has attempted to contact most of the groups with directions regarding their involvement, especially the younger groups regarding songs to sing, participation, readings, etc. Each group will be participating in one way or another throughout the weekend.	All

Groups are asked to dress up (i.e. in their uniforms) for the Friday ceremony as well as the Monday ceremony (this has been changed with the dance group back to Sunday since arrangements had already been made).

Thursday, March 24 will be a rehearsal for all who can attend, especially the choir who will be practicing the songs.

Margaret Kodric will be contacted to take pictures of the event.

Confirmation students and communion students will be in the procession on the Sunday and will be presenting their respective banners in the Church on that day, to be put up in preparation for when they receive their sacraments.

All groups should ensure that they are properly represented, even just with their attendance, and be sure to communicate between groups and with the priests of what you are doing to ensure a uniform ceremony.

Only choir members should be in the choir loft.

Andy Pahulje will look after the audio equipment (e.g. mikes).

Most of the programs for each ceremony are set however the Saturday evening program still needs some final touches.

For the reception on the Monday, everyone is invited to bring things.

Coffee, tea, vinski čaj will be prepared. About 200 people are expected to come on the Monday.

Thank yous and stipends for the guest priests will be prepared.

A special thank you to all who helped put this retreat together. A special thank you to Mojca Dimperio who had taken the lead and put much of the event together. Thank you for your time and efforts and for all the work in getting the participants together and organized.

5. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Yearbook:

Rozika  
Nesich

Final pictures have been taken (one more group still needs to be photographed). Groups are still submitting descriptions. Rozika Nesich will need to organize with the yearbook committee and Fr. Batič on the order of how the pictures, etc. will be organized in the yearbook; this will be time-consuming. Also the photos that people submitted will need to be formatted so that they can also be included. Finally, design for the front and back covers will need to be decided.

The company does the actual prototype, once we tell them how we want the book organized. A sample will be provided for approval before publication begins.

The company will be providing free books for all the families represented in the yearbook, plus some additional copies that can be sold.

Celebration:

Banner: Milan is preparing a vinyl banner to be displayed in front of the Church. Location is still to be finalized but the banner will be about 4 feet high.

Video: Everyone is asked to submit any photos they may have that can show some historical aspect of our church to be included in this video. Certain parishioners will be contacted in the even that they may have

something that can be included. Any contribution will be taken into consideration for insertion into the final video. If anyone has something to contribute, please provide asap.

Banquet – A banquet celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be held on May 28<sup>th</sup>. The video can be shown here. Also, people will be invited to speak of their memories of our church. More details to come.

Masses – Bishop Collins has agreed to come to celebrate the English Mass on this day. Due to an expectation of higher attendance at these masses, the times of the masses will be spread out more to allow for easier access and entrance into the parking lot. Also a remembrance mass for all our deceased parishioners will also be held. A discussion for something to be held on the Sunday as well resulted in no agreement. Perhaps this can be addressed again at the next meeting.

6. Other  
Choir Loft – Carpet will be taken out and replaced with new flooring. Discussion regarding a new layout of the loft that could accommodate for a better projection of voices was discussed, in particular the steps that the choir stands on (e.g. tiered steps). Organ is being raised and a new back wall will help with acoustics. Discussion regarding new layout will be continued between interested parties. Millie Ulcar
7. Upcoming Events  
a. March 27<sup>th</sup> – Talent Show in the Church hall, for the Victoria Fund  
b. April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Slovenian School Presentation  
Potica Challenge in Dom Lipa  
c. April 9<sup>th</sup> – Slovenian Congress, featuring Mr. Janez Janša, in the Church Hall  
d. Easter Preparations – Butarica preparations Info.
8. Next Meeting  
Please be advised that the next meeting will be held on April 18, 2011 at **8:15 p.m.** All

These minutes have been prepared by:

Sonya Horvat

**PASTORALNI SVET / PARISH COUNCIL**

**Breznadežna Čudodelne Svetinje / Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal**

**AGENDA**

Monday, March 21st, 2011

1. Molitev / Prayers
2. Review of Previous Minutes
3. Spiritual Renewal – March 25 – 28, 2011  
Program Overview
4. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plans
  - a. Yearbook Progress
  - b. Celebratory Preparations
  - c. Video Presentation
5. Upcoming Events:
  - a. Church Easter Preparations
6. Other
7. Next Meeting
8. Conclusion