

Župniski Pastoralni Svet – Brezmadežna Čudodelne Svetinje (Toronto)
Parish Pastoral Council – Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Toronto)

Parish Council Mission Statement

*To enhance and develop the spiritual well-being for each parishioner,
Individually, as well as part of the community, through liturgy, evangelization,
Good news and charitable works.*

MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 2015

Attendees:

Father Valentin Batič
Father Toni Burja
Robert Ferkul
Sonya Horvat
John Jereb
Rozika Nesich
Paula Petersen
Milan Vinčec
Josephine Žilavec

Representing:

Pastor
Associate Pastor
Planika / Mladi Glas
Catechists
Ushers / Bartenders
Catholic Women's League
Toronto Slovenian Explorers
Slovenian School
Nageljčki / Nagelj

The meeting discussions were as follows:

| <u>No.:</u> | <u>Discussion:</u> | <u>Action:</u> |
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| 1.0 | <u>Opening Prayer</u> – One decade of the rosary | Info. |
| 2.0 | <u>Review of Last Meeting Minutes</u> | S. Horvat |
| 3.0 | <u>December 6 Events</u> As per the previous minutes, there was a potential conflict for the timing of a Christmas concert being held in our church and our annual St. Nicholas celebrations (Miklavž). This was an issue more so due to the limited parking available. This has been resolved by changing the times of each event. The concert will begin earlier, at 2:00 p.m., and Miklavž will begin at 4:30. It was suggested that we have people outside helping to direct traffic, as well as talking to St. Ambrose Parish about allowing our overflow to use their parking lot. | Info. |
| 4.0 | <u>Catholic Year of Mercy (2015-2016)</u> We are still awaiting for information to help announce this liturgical year. We are hoping to hear from either the Toronto archdiocese or from Slovenia on how to advertise this theme. | Info. |

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| 5.0 | <u>Confirmation Classes:</u> Classes have begun. There are 25 students for Confirmation. An enrolment mass will be held on November 8. | Info. |
| 6.0 | <u>Slovenian Mass Missals</u> – These red books have been out-dated. It was suggested that we replace them however, with the use of the projector, use of books may no longer be required. | Info. |
| 7.0 | <u>Confessions during the Advent Season</u> Due to declining health, we are not confident that Fr. MacDonald will be able to assist with confessions this year. Other suggestions were to invite Father Wasiak or Father Lemieux. These confessions will be held on December 13 th and 20 th . | Info. |
| 8.0 | <u>Christmas Benefit Concert</u> Will be held in our church on November 14 th . Four choirs are scheduled to perform. Where the proceeds from the concert will be going is still to be determined. | Info. |
| 9.0 | <u>Living Manger Scene / Žive Jaslice</u> The choir Novi Rod will be hosting the annual Christmas concert at 7:00 p.m on Christmas Eve. Volunteers for this event are needed. Everyone is asked to find volunteers within their groups. | All |
| 10.0 | <u>Alpha Canada</u> This is an organization that Father Batic suggested we learn more about. It is to help revitalize and “renovate” the way churches are run. Council members are asked to visit the website www.alphacanada.org for the next meeting so that we can examine how these ideas can be adopted to our parish. There is also a book titled <i>Divine Renovation</i> that can also shed light on what this organization is about. | Info. |
| 11.0 | <u>Movie Night</u> The next movie night is scheduled for December 11. Movie is still to be determined. | Info. |
| 12.0 | <u>Church Mass Projection Job</u> We are still looking for a volunteer to help with the projector for all the masses. This is a job that needs to be coordinated between the different choirs, etc. A potential candidate was unable to commit due to family obligations. | Info. |
| 13.0 | <u>Next Meeting:</u> The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 7 th , 2015 at 7:00 p.m. | Info. |

These minutes have been prepared by:

Sonya Horvat