

Qu'Appelle Deanery Pastoral Council Meeting
September 27th, 2016 - 5:45 p.m.
Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Fort Qu'Appelle

- 1) We began by saying the Rosary, and then Father George said Grace before approximately 21 people had our supper of delicious soup, sandwiches and dessert.
- 2) Pat Zatylny was acting chairperson in the absence of Stan Vindevoghel, Chairperson. She began by welcoming to our Deanery, Father Francis Kurisinkal, he prefers to be called Father Prince. He replaced Fr. Reymundo Asis in the Southey Region. Also Fr. Valentine Amobi who replaced Fr. Francis Plaparampil in the Raymore Region. With us for this meeting was Fr. Thuy who was replacing Fr. Louis Kim Nguyen, who was away.
- 3) Tyleen Cox from Raymore spoke to us about the "Miracles of Jesus" Deanery Youth Rally. It will be held October 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish in Raymore, 1st Avenue.
Cost is \$ 5.00 per person or \$ 10.00 per family
It includes any students from grades 1 – 7, all denominations are welcome.
Every Parish was given a form to give to the children with all the details.
Please let Tyleen know about the number of children that will be attending as soon as possible because they need to know how much food to prepare.
- 4) There was no discussion, errors or omissions on the minutes of the June 28th, 2016 meeting. Norbert Gaudet moved minutes be adopted. Val Traub seconded. All in favour, carried.
- 5) Parish Reports.
 - a. St. Rita – Strasbourg – Jan Leibel
 - A very quiet summer
 - A farewell potluck lunch was held for Fr. Rey. It was very well attended. We presented him with a parish picture that was taken shortly after he arrived. We took another one after his farewell lunch and will present it to him at a later date. The latest picture shows how the parish has grown since his arrival.
 - We hosted a welcome potluck lunch for Fr. Prince. He is proving to be a welcome addition to our parish. We are very excited!
 - Held a Parish Council meeting on September 21, 2016. It was very well attended.
 - Growing Faith is once again being held every Wednesday evening.
 - Hosting a joint Advent Bible study in November and December.
 - The mortgage is getting paid down, major bake sale in November.
 - b. St. Mary's Hungarian – Raymore – Victoria Hordos
 - Our parish is not very active. However, one Parish boy is getting married December 3rd. Fr. Valentine will be marrying them.
 - A big thank-you for Fr. Valentine to say mass twice a month in our country church.
 - After mass we socialize, talk about harvest and the weather and our garden, how good they produced, and also talk about our parish.
 - c. St. Columbkille – Grenfell – Rush Duryba
 - We had museum duty in August.
 - In conjunction with 'Year of Mercy' food items were donated to our local food bank in June.
 - Two members of our parish attended the Annual Appeal kick off in Regina
 - We continue to hold mass at the care home once every month.

d. St. James – Southey - Denise Syroka

- Have a Youth Mass the last Sunday or Saturday of each month
- Rev. Lorne Crozon installed Fr. Prince as Pastoral Administrator for Southey Pastoral Region
- Rosary will be recited before mass during month of October
- Divine Mercy Cenacle is recited every Tuesday after Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Catechism for children will start in October
- 33 Days to Merciful Love will be held for 6 weeks starting the week of October 19th with Consecration to Merciful Love on November 20th which ends the Year of Mercy.
- Family Fun Fest on November 4th.

e. Our Lady of Sorrows – Fort Qu’Appelle – Marie-Anne Gyorfi

- Seven children between Lebret & FQ in classes preparing for sacraments. Alice LaCroix from Lebret is providing the instruction.
- Rosary before mass during the month of October
- Reupholstered the chairs
- Four furnaces were replaced this summer
- Fundraisers to date – fall garage sale, raffle basket, Vietnamese supper, progressive 50/50 draw
- Fall supper Sun Nov 6

f. St. John Baptist – Dysart – Gary Zatylny

- We hosted a farewell potluck dinner at the end of July for Father Reymundo Asis who was reassigned to Swift Current.
- We have been blessed to welcome Father Francis Kurisinkal-Father Prince to us! We have our first Parish council-financial and pastoral-meeting on Thursday with Father.
- Summer activities are very minimal. We had our St. John the Baptist Feast Day on June 24 with the blessing of the graves at the cemetery followed by mass and then a social. On July 13th we celebrated the Feast of St. Henry. We had a mass at the Kronsberg/St. Henry cemetery, blessing of the graves and a social there. The weather cooperated for both!
- Knights of Columbus continue their monthly bingo. They had installation of officers in July and are selling the Charity Appeal tickets now.
- We had 2 people attend the Annual Appeal kickoff in Regina. We had surpassed our goal last year and received a rebate cheque. We attended Father Bob MacKenzie’s 60th anniversary of Ordination on July 10th in Cupar. We presented him a gift from our parish.
- Catechism has resumed for the year. We have a couple of candidates for spring Confirmation and First Holy Communion.
- We will replace the carpet on the altar with laminate flooring as the carpet has buckled very badly making it a hazard.
- Grass cutting at the church, the cemeteries and the park was time consuming this summer.

g. St. Anne's – Wolseley – Elvira Schneider

- Knights of Columbus served lunch at the Town of Wolseley July Celebration.
- Sunday July 17th 2016 had lunch after church in honor of our Patron Saint Anne.
- Father George was the Celebrant for a large funeral for a parishioner on Aug 4th 2016. The ladies of our parish served lunch at the town hall.
- Father George has said a couple of Masses at CT K Native Church this summer.
- I have taken the Eucharist to some of our sick and homebound parishioners
- Father continues to have Mass every second Thursday at Lakeside Home.
- Thursday Sept 1st 2016 we had mass followed by our Parish Council meeting after summer off.
- On Sunday Sept 18th we had our first 'Growing in Faith' lesson by Gerry Coppens after our summer break.
- The Ladies of our Parish served lunch to a couple of out of town Families that had deceased members buried on our town cemetery.

6) APC Report – Pat Zatylny

Maybe a meeting will be called soon after Archbishop Bolen has been installed on October 14th, 2016.

7) Native Ministries Report – Sr. Bernadette Feist OSU

No report

8) Financial Report – June Stroh – Treasurer

Opening Balance	\$ 637.37
Archdiocesan Grant	<u>\$2400.00</u>
Total	\$3036.37

Paid to Annette	<u>\$ 817.48</u>	Redesign of Web site
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Balance	<u>\$2218.89</u>
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June moved her report, Mary Ann seconded. All in favour. Carried.

9) Dean's Report –

a. Fr. Valentine

- Fr. Agreed to become our new Dean
- He is from Nigeria
- Fr. Has been in Raymore since August and he is enjoying all the smiling welcoming faces of his parishioners in his Region.
- He thanks everyone for accepting him as Dean.

b. Fr. Prince also introduced himself.

- He is from India, comes from and speaks the same language as Fr. George.
- He has been in Canada for 17 years and a priest for 27 years.
- He is the only son in his family

- 10) Open discussion about Deanery
 - some parishes don't have music so they set up from a computer on a big screen so people can all join in, but watch closely for 'copy right'.
 - Rosary is said in some parishes
 - A few parishes have children's liturgy
 - We should try to get a speaker for all parishioners in our Region once a year in our Deanery.
 - a one-day retreat 'Year of Mercy' would be great.
 - maybe the new bishop may have a new direction for our Deanery.
 - maybe Stan could ask Annette to post on the website what this couple will be talking on, then we could invite other members of our parishes to come at 7:00 p.m. and join us for their presentation.
 - The presentation should only be one hour
 - Phone Pat if you have any questions.
 - Someone suggested that Leah Perrault would be a very good speaker to have for a one-day retreat, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- 11) Date for our next Deanery Pastoral Council Meeting is November 29th, 2016. Contact speakers right away.
- 12) Our guest speakers will be Joel and Joe Ong. They will speak on 'Couples for Christ Program'.
- 13) Annette Konecsni has done a great job in making our website user friendly.
On the other hand, people are having great difficulty using the Archdiocese website. It doesn't seem to be very user friendly.
- 14) It was very beneficial to have an evening like this once in awhile without a guest speaker, just discussing items of importance in our Deanery.
- 15) We would like to plan a one 1-day retreat maybe for the January 23rd, 2017 meeting. We will discuss at November meeting.
- 16) Food for our next meeting in November:
Soup – Lebret and Strasbourg
Sandwiches – Wolseley
Dessert – Southey
- 17) Dean Fr. Valentine said the closing prayer and Blessing to close the meeting.