

Sharing Our Hearts and Hands with the Parish



HOLY CHILD ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022

AGM scheduled for Sun., Mar. 5 at 12:15 p.m.

Holy Child Parish Annual General Meeting - Agenda
Sunday, March 5, 2023, at 12:15 p.m. in the parish hall

Mission Statement - We, the people of Holy Child Parish, are a community of Baptized Catholics living in the eastern sector of Regina. We believe we are called to build the Kingdom of God through worship, service and education, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the direction of the Archbishop, and leadership of the Priest given to our Parish.

Chairperson: Charlene Rogalski Secretary: Maureen Wild

Nominating Committee: Dave Helmerson, Sharon Bender, Paul Ponak

1. Opening Prayer - Father Brian

2. Adoption of Agenda for Annual General Meeting

3. a) Adoption of March 5, 2022, Annual General Meeting Minutes - see Appendix A

b) Adoption of "2022 Annual Report"

4. Annual Meeting – reports from parish groups:

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| a) | Liturgy | Marian Grady |
| b) | Social Justice | Agnes Parisloff, Faye Helmerson |
| c) | Finance (incl. Bldg/Grds) | Paul Ponak, Dave Helmerson |
| d) | Hall/Catering | Wayne Matt |
| e) | Deanery Representative | Sharon Bender |
| f) | Members at Large | Kathy & Jamie Schneider; Laurie Kirkness |
| g) | Special Events | Sr. Anna Aulie |
| h) | Men's Club | Wayne Matt |
| i) | K of C | Wayne Matt |
| j) | Parish Team | Marian Grady, Sr. Anna Aulie,
Deacon Dennis Ziegler, Fr. Brian Meredith |

5. Questions from the floor

6. Elections: The chair of the nomination committee (Dave) will chair this part of the meeting.

Positions available for election:

Vice-Chairperson (currently vacant)

3 Adult Member at Large positions

* Kathy & Jamie Schneider's second term ends in 2023

* One position is currently vacant

* Laurie Kirkness' first term is completed in 2023; will run for second term

1 Youth Member at Large position (currently vacant)

For each position

Announce any names on the slate

Call for any nominations from the floor

If more than one person is nominated, then hold election (use pieces of paper)

7. Other Concerns or comments

8. Pastor's Remarks

9. Closing Remarks

10. Suggested date for next AGM: Sunday, March 3, 2024, at 12:15 p.m. in the hall.

11. Motion to Adjourn

12. Closing Prayer

Written Reports

From

Parish Groups

LITURGY

Submitted by Marian Grady

COVID continues to cause concerns worldwide, but most official restrictions have been lifted. As of February 28, 2022, masks are no longer required in public buildings in Saskatchewan. Some are still wearing masks in the church, but this number has gradually diminished through the months. Hand sanitizing units continue to be available and are used regularly by many. Those distributing Communion wear masks and sanitize for this ministry. Donations to the parish continue to be placed in the boxes near the entrances and we have not yet reinstated the collection and offertory procession. Most continue to refrain from physical contact during the Sign of Peace and greet one another visually.

Several people have returned in assisting as Mass captains, commentators, lectors, extra-ordinary Eucharistic ministers and greeters, and a few new people have volunteered to assist as well. Deacon Dennis has been training several new altar servers since the fall. The music ministries are mainly back to their pre-Covid schedules. With continuing health concerns, we do not offer children's Liturgy of the Word at this time. New volunteers for active ministries are always welcome, especially for the Saturday evening and 11 a.m. Sunday Masses.

We were able to put more effort in decorating the church this past year, especially for Lent/Easter and Advent/Christmas. Several volunteers assisted in this and it was encouraging to welcome families and youth to help out!

Not all are yet comfortable returning to Mass due to health concerns, but attendance numbers at Mass are gradually increasing. Several parishioners continue to practice social distancing in where they choose to sit, with comfort zones respected by others.

EDUCATION AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Submitted by Marian Grady

Sacramental Programs:

- Baptism, Confirmation/First Eucharist and Reconciliation: Fr. Brian works with families preparing for Baptism, using online resources. Most of the preparation for Confirmation/First Eucharist in 2022 continued to be home-centred, using monthly packets delivered to homes or sent home from school. (This included some Eritrean families from Blessed Sacrament who did their preparation through Holy Child and celebrated the sacraments at Blessed Sacrament.) We were able to have an in-person final preparation session in April and welcomed Archbishop Don for our parish Confirmation/First Eucharist celebration in late April. Preparation for Reconciliation sessions were held in-person in the fall and the sacrament was celebrated in early November. In person preparation sessions for Confirmation/First Eucharist for the coming year began in late November.
- RCIA(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: There was only one boy preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation, and he prepared using the home kits as those preparing for Confirmation/First Eucharist did. He was able to take part in the in-person session in early April, right before celebrating the sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

Spiritual Formation:

- Sunday to Sunday Bible Study - Sr. Anna's group continued to gather and focus on the Sunday scriptures when possible, meeting outdoors whenever possible and with social distancing when indoors. With eased restrictions, they can now meet on a more regular basis.
- Seasonal Materials - Reflection materials for Advent/Christmas and Lent were once again available, as were Sunday missals and calendars.
- Parish Home Ministry - Due to continuing health concerns, ministry to the sick and homebound is limited, but several family members continue to bring communion to their loved ones and Fr Brian is available when needed.

Social Justice Committee Report 2022

Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of these who are members of my family, you did it on to me. Matthew 25:40.

Our meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. We currently have 14 members and new members are always welcome.

Once again, our Parish, Parishioners, and Community supported our fundraising efforts through a private Garage Sale; DECA garage Sale; Book Sale; Steve Bell Concert; Fair Trade Items; Sarcan and Generous Monetary donations.

Our Giving Tree donations were once again also very generous with \$1,290.00; 280 pairs of men, women and children socks; and Hygiene products. Cash donations went towards Food Hampers and Families in Need. Recipients were St. Catherine School; St. Theresa School; Sophia House and Waterston House.

Other donations over the year were made to Sophia House; 2 Nigerian Students; Eagle Hearts Centre; South Sudan Equity (to assist in building a school in South Sudan); Archdiocesan Truth and Reconciliation Commission; Archdiocesan Papal Visit; Chalice (sponsored child and Ukraine Aid); Phoenix Residential Society; Visitation House; Carmichael Outreach; Transition House; Chili for Children; and Marian Centre.

Thank you also for the donations of Can Tabs, that are taken to the Pasqua Hospital where volunteers from the Gift Shop use the money from the sale of these, to purchase items for the hospital. Also, for the donated eye glasses that are taken to the CNIB, to be sent overseas.

Members of our committee, in addition to our own events, have also attended and/or volunteered at events related to Development and Peace; Regina Community Well Being (which explores Food Insecurity and Homelessness); South Sudan Equity (School building) and Truth and Reconciliation.

We also had guest speakers Martino Atem, Mike Towle and Mark Simms from South Sudan Equity and Ann Marie Piniach from Phoenix Residential Society.

THANK YOU to our Holy Child Parish Family; Fr, Brian, the Parish Staff and Social Justice committee members for all the support you give us.

May God Bless All Of You

Co- Chairpersons, Agnes Parisloff & Faye Helmerson

Those who shut their eyes to the cry of the poor will themselves also cry and not be heard. Proverbs21:13

FINANCE REPORT for 2022
Submitted by Paul Ponak
2023 AGM

The past several years have proven difficult, from a financial standpoint, for Holy Child Parish. The Parish has sustained an operating deficit in each of the past 4-years, 2019 to 2022, for a cumulative total of just over \$200,000. Of course, the pandemic has been a major factor, as there have been gathering restrictions, shutdowns & now high inflation. Attendance numbers at Church are beginning to pick up, so that is a positive sign.

The reality is that, to meet the operating expenses of the Parish, our weekend collections is essential. Sunday collections are down by some \$70,000 from pre-covid averages. Revenues from hall rental & catering have also had an impact, although less drastic. Normal net revenues from the hall/catering would average \$20,000/yr (less than \$1,500 in 2020 - 2022), which would certainly be helpful. Not a lot of activity is expected in the way of weddings or other events that would generate some revenue.

The office has done a good job in 'holding the line' on expenditures as much as possible. There has been a conscious decision not to try to cut costs by staff reduction. Maintaining the present work of – pastoral care, working with the schools, property maintenance, office administration & more are necessary in the life of the Parish. There is a view that by doing this (cutting staff) the long-term results would be more negative than the shortfalls currently being experienced.

There were some unexpected expenditures in the past year, but again, necessary. The cost of shingling the rectory/garage was resourced from the Building Fund - \$9,000. At year-end, however, the Building Fund has a balance of \$50,000.

This does sound like it is all 'doom & gloom'. Actually though, Holy Child Parish continues to be in a strong financial state. The shortfalls of the past 4-years have been absorbed. Reserves are adequate to ensure that the Parish can operate in a 'business as usual' institution in the community.

Council believes that in due course (sooner rather than later, hopefully) we will see a return to normalcy as to Parishioner attendance with the corresponding increase in collections that will bring.

The 2023 budget does reflect a shortfall; however, we see it trending in a more positive direction. Should there be some activity with the hall/catering side & an increase in collections we could move closer to 'balance' in 2023.

The Parish has continued to engage an independent party to do a review of its financial accounting – bank reconciliations, payroll, etc. This same individual has been used for the past few years & has a good understanding of the procedures/processes within the Parish. He offers recommendations, etc. in areas where they can be beneficial to operations. He is satisfied that the office is following sound financial practices in the day-to-day operations.

To close, a HUGE thank you to Fr. Brian for his guidance & leadership and to the office staff for their dedicated efforts during these 'trying times' and making Holy Child Parish a Welcoming place.

Deanery Representative
Submitted by Sharon Bender

The Deanery had one meeting in 2022. The meeting was a workshop to review the new Archdiocesan Guidelines for the Parish Pastoral Councils and the Parish Finance Councils. The changes to the previous guidelines will be implemented in 2023.

Also, in 2023 the Deanery will be doing some reorganizing and will again have Deanery meetings.

Special Events Report

Sr. Anna Aulie and Laurie Kirkness

This Fall we celebrated Grandparents Day. Grade 7 students at St. Theresa School made cards and they were distributed at church on their special day. Everyone loved the homemade cards.

We took a bus trip (full bus) to Assiniboia Shurniak Art Gallery, then South Pioneer Museum in Ogema and had pizza at Solo Italia. Fun trip!

The Epiphany celebrates that Christ came for everyone – the universe! We decided pancakes were a universal food. So, with the help of the Knights and many others, we celebrated with the three Wise Queens and Camel.

This coming Sunday, we will celebrate Mardi Gras and say Goodbye to the Alleluia. Laurie and I are happy to have many helping us with this party.

Our Sunday Scripture Reflections carry on, now on Wednesday's at 1:30 pm. Children's Choir continue with singing one a month at Mass.

Sr. Anna Aulie

MEN'S CLUB

(Submitted by Wayne Matt)

The Holy Child Men's Club is a group of parish men that meet once a month to foster fellowship and support our Pastor and Parish for the progress and the well-being of the church.

Our meeting consists of 30 minutes of business and finishes up with games and fellowship. The business portion is very important to help organize our activities, and field the many requests for sponsorships and donations. We meet the third Sunday of the month and always welcome new members.

Highlights of the pre-Covid years include:

- * Assist the parishioners as requested by the pastor
- * Parish Breakfasts January and March
- * Financial support for Sr. Anna & the children's choir, as requested
- * Grey Cup Raffle
- * Joint Christmas potluck supper and a June BBQ with the C.W.L.
- * Provide assistance to St. Theresa and St. Catherine elementary schools

Because of the Pandemic the Men's Club has been inactive for the last couple of years. Once we are over these troubling times, we hope to become active again.



ARCHBISHOP O'NEILL COUNCIL # 8896



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Archbishop O'Neill Council of the Knights of Columbus (Chartered May 08, 1985) is a Catholic family fraternal service organization - centered in Holy Child Parish. The Council has 107 members (2M+ worldwide) who support a variety of agencies/organizations through their fund raising and programs.

Archbishop O'Neill Knights of Columbus conducts a number of activities within the Parish and Community. These activities include:

- Church Programs
- Youth Programs
- Family Programs
- Community Programs
- Council Programs

Many members are involved in youth programs – scouting/coaching, as well as sit on boards of organizations/agencies. We are a Family organization!

In his annual report to the Supreme convention, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, gave this snapshot of the activities of the Order (July 2021 to June 2022) -

Charity

- Total donations: \$154M
- Total volunteer hours: 47.8M
- Persecuted Christians Fund: \$1.7M (\$32.1M since 2014)
- Knights of Columbus
 - Coats for Kids: 149,016
- Food drives: \$10.1M
- Special Olympics: \$3.7M
- Habitat for Humanity: \$592,087
- Wheelchairs: 8,891 (115,581 since 2003)
- Blood donors: 452,982
- Scholarships: \$6.9M from councils

In 2022 our Council/members contributed some \$18,000+ & in excess of 11,700 volunteer hrs (probably low) to various organizations/agencies.

The Knights of Columbus Order was founded in 1882 by a Parish Priest, in the midst of a pandemic. **Come, join the Knights of Columbus! The one-year FREE online membership has been extended (no end-date specified). The time is right! Use this code - BlessedMcGivney – to obtain your free membership registration, visit the website www.kofc.org/joinus & voila.....**

if you (Parish) have a suggestion for a program or project for the Knights, please don't hesitate to let us know.....we're approachable.

Thank you, Fr. Brian, for your support & leadership for our Council. Thank you also to the Parish staff who do excellent work for all of us!

The following websites have a great amount of information - www.kofc.org or www.kofcsask.com
Also, don't hesitate to contact:

Wayne Matt - Grand Knight (GK) @ matt.wayne99@gmail.com ; 306.789.1009

Norbert Philippe – Program Director (PD) @ norphi@sasktel.net ; 306.789.0073

Paul Ponak – Financial Secretary (FS) @ prponak@sasktel.net ; 306.790.9317 (H); 306.550.5035 (C)

Report from Deacon Dennis Ziegler

Continued to preach at Holy Child every second weekend.

Gathered input from the parish for the Synod process. Created the Synod report for Holy Child and submitted it to the archdiocese.

Preached for Fr Abello in Francis, Vibank, Odessa, and Sedley a few times during the year.

Assisted Bishop Don with confirmation at Holy Child in Fr Brian's absence.

Gave a couple of presentations to the Diaconate formation program during the year.

Organized the buses and hotel rooms for the papal visit for the archdiocese.

Karen and I helped out at the Kenosee Boys and Girls camp for a week as the spiritual leaders.

Karen and I help out at Marian Center once a month.

Visited at St. Theresa and St Catherine schools.

Recruited and trained ten new altar servers.

Lead some funeral prayers.

Planned for and made the arrangements for the Alpha program to begin in Jan 2023

Karen and I offered a day retreat for the Regina Catholic school board office and staff.

Karen and I, continue to offer communion to an elderly person in a care home every second week.

Continue to offer spiritual direction to individuals. Helping others to deepen their relationship with God.

Pastor's Report for 2022
Submitted by Fr. Brian Meredith

This past year has been a time of starting up again, rebuilding, and learning to live in new ways.

At the end of February 2022, the public health orders came to an end. Since the Covid-19 pandemic remains, many are still cautious and reluctant about participating in church and community events. However, the number of people participating in Masses and in other community events is growing steadily. In August, the number of people participating in weekend Masses was about 40% of pre-Covid levels; at the end of December, the number was about 70%; and by mid-February 2023, the number of people participating in weekend Masses was about 80% of pre-Covid levels. It is wonderful to gather with members of our parish family and celebrate together again!!!

In July, Pope Francis visited Canada on a penitential pilgrimage to apologize for the Church's involvement in the residential school system and to show his loving and respectful solidarity with the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples and communities. He acknowledged what had happened, and he called us to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ with new hearts and new eyes. Pope Francis spoke about that call when he visited Maskwacis in Alberta during his "penitential pilgrimage" by saying, "Although Christian charity was not absent, and there were many outstanding instances of devotion and care for children, the overall effects of the policies linked to the residential schools were catastrophic. What our Christian faith tells us is that this was a disastrous error, incompatible with the Gospel of Jesus Christ." The Canadian Catholic Bishops, in their recent Pastoral Letter to the People of God in Canada entitled "That We May Walk Together," said, "The legacy of involvement of many Catholic dioceses, communities, and people in a system that deprived generations of Indigenous children of their language, culture, history, traditions, spirituality, and family life, and included some terrible abuses, fills us all with sadness and remorse." Following the example of the Holy Father, "we [the Bishops of Canada] renew our profound sorrow for the wrong that was done and commit ourselves to finding new ways to accompany Indigenous Peoples in their pursuit of justice, healing, and reconciliation." We are all invited to journey in communion with Pope Francis and the Bishops of Canada by finding new ways to accompany Indigenous Peoples in their pursuit of justice, healing, and reconciliation.

The two situations mentioned above, as well as many other challenging situations that people in our community experience, are often difficult and confusing to navigate and we struggle to know the way forward (both individually and as a community). As children of God, it is important to ask the Holy Spirit to help us learn how to walk in new ways. The Holy Spirit will gently guide us in learning together how to accompany one another with the merciful, healing, and life-giving love of Christ.

Over the years at Holy Child Parish, we have been blessed with excellent, reliable, faith-filled, and supportive staff, pastoral council members, finance council members, volunteers in various ministries and groups, and parishioners of every age and nationality. My heart is filled with gratitude for you! You walk by faith and love, and you treat the parish as your home. May God bless each of you with joy, peace, and love in your journey with Christ and one another!

2022 PARISH STATISTICS

<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	
37	19	22	16	Baptisms (infant)
9	9	0	2	RCIA (Adult Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist)
1	2	0	0	RCIA (Full Communion – Profession of Faith/Confirmation/Eucharist)
30	47	21	27	Confirmations
30	45	20	27	First Eucharist
3	3	2	2	Marriages
18	20	23	24	Funerals
999	998	1,006	1,022	Total number of households in parish
2,762	2,562	2,507	2,567	Total number of parishioners
420	397	387	369	Number of financial contributors

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AT DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<i>Covid</i> Budget 2022	<i>Covid</i> Actual 2022	<i>Covid</i> Actual 2021	<i>Covid</i> Budget 2023
Revenue:				
Sunday Collection (Envelopes, Loose)	215,000	228,954	215,531	250,000
Catering revenue	10,000	7,760	10,373	15,000
Wage Subsidy (Federal Government)	20,000	3,805	22,315	0
All other revenue	25,000	31,851	36,471	30,000
TOTAL REVENUE	270,000	272,370	284,690	295,000
Expenses				
Remuneration (Staff Wages, Workshops, Benefits)	220,000	212,696	198,530	220,000
Church (Repairs, Supplies)	14,000	12,198	14,441	10,000
Hall (Cook, Grocery, Supplies, Repairs)	6,500	8,069	6,810	8,000
Rectory (Utilities, Supplies, Taxes)	11,000	9,839	10,745	11,000
Office (Supplies, Photocopier, Telephone)	8,000	20,314 ¹	7,606	9,000
Assessment/Priest Pension	44,000	38,809	43,507	40,000
Occupancy (Utilities, Insurance, Security)	40,000	47,080	35,563	40,000
Grounds (Maintenance, Garbage Disposal)	6,000	12,236	4,377	7,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	349,500	361,241	321,579	345,000
OPERATION SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(79,500)	(88,871)	(36,889)²	(50,000)

Designated Funds Collected in 2022:

Families In Need	\$4,040	Share Lent	\$3,705 ³
Building Fund	\$3,435	Holy Land	\$1,500
Good Works	\$4,584		
Education of Seminarians	\$765	Propagation of Faith/Mission	\$605
Needs of Canadian Church	\$540	Pope's Pastoral Works	\$780
Catholic Missions in Canada	\$650		

Annual Appeal for 2022

Parish target: \$37,798
Parish raised: \$34,443

TRC Healing Fund for 2022

Parish raised: \$668

¹ New photocopier was purchased.

² This was \$45,611 better than expected. Sunday collections are down about \$80,000 from pre-Covid times. Parish insurance increased 44%. Archdiocese of Regina covered 4 months of pastor's salary when he was recovering from Covid.

³ Share Lent \$1,780 + Ukraine Emergency \$1,925.

March 6, 2022
AGM Minutes

**Holy Child Parish Annual General Meeting
Sunday, March 6, 2022
Minutes**

In attendance: Fr. Brian Meredith, Charlene Rogalski (chairperson), Sharon Bender, Marian Grady, Dave Helmerson, Faye Helmerson, Laurie Kirkness, Gail Kraft, Agnes, Parisloff, Dianne Poitras, Paul Ponak, Lynda Putzlocher, Eleanor Selinger, Rita Wingert, Dennis Ziegler, Maureen Wild (secretary)

1) Opening Prayer

The meeting began at 12:15 with praying of the Our Father. This was followed by the Hail Mary for world peace.

2) Adoption of Agenda for Annual General Meeting

Moved by Paul Ponak and seconded by Dave Helmerson that the agenda be accepted as presented. Carried.

3) a) Adoption of March 8, 2020 Annual General Meeting Minutes – see Appendix A

Lynda Putzlocher commented on point 4.2 Vice-Chairperson. She was involved in review of the Constitution in 2015 with Fr. Dan. It was discussed at Pastoral Council. The use of the word “shall” was intended to be “must” in the statement from the Constitution reading: The vice-chairperson shall have Holy Child Pastoral Council experience.

Fr. Brian replied that he updated the minutes from the 2020 AGM which have been posted on the parish’s website for over a year. He read from the website: Clarification from Fr. Brian: The phrasing used did not properly express the concern and meaning that was intended. As a parish, we need to be pastorally flexible when needed (e.g., when no one who has pastoral council experience comes forward to be vice-chairperson). Although the parish updated its Constitution in 2015, Fr. Brian has expressed concern that no formal approval was received from the Bishop’s Office regarding its Constitution. When a parish Constitution differs from the Guidelines of the Archdiocese, the proper route is to obtain formal approval from the Bishop’s Office. In this particular case, the Guidelines of the Archdiocese uses the word “should” instead of “shall” regarding the Vice-Chairperson having Pastoral Council experience. The Guidelines of the Archdiocese are thus more pastorally flexible than the parish’s Constitution.

Moved by Faye Helmerson and seconded by Dianne Poitras that the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting be accepted as presented. Carried.

b) Adoption of 2020 Annual Report – see Appendix B (AGM not held in 2021 due to pandemic)

Moved by Laurie Kirkness and seconded by Sharon Bender that the 2020 Annual Report be accepted as presented. Carried.

c) Adoption of 2021 Annual Report

Moved by Dennis Ziegler and seconded by Laurie Kirkness that the 2021 Annual Report be accepted as presented. Carried.

4) Annual Meeting – report from parish groups:

a) Liturgy – Marian Grady

- Marian’s report is in the 2021 Annual Report. She added that people have been cooperative amidst ongoing changes.

b) Social Justice – Agnes Parisloff, Faye Helmerson

- Agnes said there was nothing to add to their report in the Annual Report.

c) Finance (including Building and Grounds) – Paul Ponak, Dave Helmerson

- Finance's report is in the booklet. Paul commented that a review of finances was completed by Bruno who mentions concerns about the deficit. As of February, finances are a bit better. The largest factor for the parish is Sunday collections which are already up by \$7,000 this year. With restrictions lifted and people more comfortable to return, Paul sees the parish reaching a break-even point. The parish has done a good job maintaining expenses.
 - Dave reported that, like with all metal buildings, the two bouts of extreme cold formed heavy frost. Moisture comes from melting frost. There is nothing that can be done.
- d) Hall/Catering – Wayne Matt
- e) Deanery Representative – Sharon Bender
- The Regina Deanery will meet on April 7 at which time the new Guidelines for the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council will be discussed.
- f) Members at Large – Kathy & Jamie Schneider, Gary & Tina Bojczuk, Laurie Kirkness
- Laurie had nothing to report.
- g) Special Events Committee – Sr. Anna Aulie
- h) Men's Club – Wayne Matt
- i) K of C – Wayne Matt
- j) Parish Team – Marian Grady, Sr. Anna Aulie, Deacon Dennis Ziegler, Fr. Brian Meredith
- Marian reported that sacramental preparation is going really good. She has also been working with the Eritrean community at Blessed Sacrament.
 - Deacon Dennis had nothing to add to his report in the Annual Report.
 - Fr. Brian thanked the parish staff, Pastoral Council, Finance Council and various committees for their good work.

5) Questions from the floor

- Dennis Ziegler asked about events in the hall. Gail Kraft replied it is difficult to commit to events six months and years in advance when there is so much uncertainty. She sent copies of the contract to three people who called about events in August, January, and a bridal shower. Gail and Fr. Brian met with organizers of the City of Regina curling windup and the event was cancelled with the possibility of something in the summer. Some staff are immune compromised so funeral lunches are on hold. Fr. Brian made two points. It is important to keep employees and volunteers safe. By redirecting to private businesses who have been hit hard, we are serving the community. Eleanor Selinger noted the financial impact of filling the coolers.

6) Elections: The chair of the nomination committee, Dave Helmerson, will chair this part of the meeting.

Positions available for election:

Chairperson (on slate of names: Charlene Rogalski)

Vice-Chairperson (currently vacant)

1 Member at Large position (Gary & Tina Bojczuk's two terms are completed)

1 Member at Large position (youth)

For each position:

Announce any names on the slate

Call for any nominations from the floor

If more than one person is nominated, then hold election (use pieces of paper)

Chairperson

- Since there were no other nominations from the floor, Charlene Rogalski was reelected by acclamation.

Vice-Chairperson

- Since there were no nominations from the floor, the position of vice-chairperson is vacant.

Member at Large (adult)

- Since there were no nominations from the floor, one Member at Large position will be vacant.
- Lynda Putzlocher pointed out that the Constitution states that a vacancy in the position of Member at Large may be appointed by the parish priest to serve until the next Annual General Meeting. Fr. Brian responded that it is a maximum of four positions (one shall be youth). Currently two positions are filled with three adults, Jamie & Kathy Schneider and Laurie Kirkness. It is best to keep things simple, work through the revised Pastoral Guidelines, and move forward from there.

Member at Large (youth)

- There were no youth in attendance.

7) Other Concerns or Comments

- There were no other concerns or comments.

8) Pastor's Remarks

- Fr. Brian brought our attention to the updated Annual Report t with the black and white cover. Inserted were the new Guidelines for the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council. He reviewed a list of important topics from the document. Parish Pastoral Support Services at the Archdiocese will be conducting workshops. The Guidelines are to be implemented by June 2023.
- Information on the Synod has been in the bulletin.

9) Closing Remarks

- Charlene Rogalski thanked everyone for coming.

10) Suggested date for next AGM: Sunday, March 5, 2023 at 12:15 p.m. in the hall

11) Motion to Adjourn

Moved by Dianne Poitras and seconded by Paul Ponak that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

12) Closing Prayer

The meeting closed at 12:55 p.m. with praying of the Glory Be to the Father.