

**Minutes – Holy Family LPC
January 28, 2025**

Present: Mark Mahoney (Secretary), Fr. Phil Mulligan, Doug Wilson (Chair), Peter Mulroy, Warren Coehlo, Joe Santucci, Mary Kouyoumdjian, Jean Ryan, Ronald Drisdelle, Director of Finance for the Archdiocese of Moncton

Absent: Jennifer Saldanha

Opening Prayer: Led by Mark Mahoney

Questions for Ron:

Many of the questions for Ron were centered around insurance clarifications as to who is covered and what events are and are not covered by our diocesan insurance policy. Here is what Ron said:

- All gatherings that are church functions are covered by the diocesan insurance policy (coffee after mass, fundraising initiatives, receptions for confirmation/baptism/communion)
- Any third party outside of the parish has to provide their own third-party insurance (Holy Family Senior's Club, line dancing class)
- Wedding and funeral receptions are not covered by the diocesan insurance policy, therefore families will have to get their own third-party insurance
- There will be information coming from the diocese with instructions for obtaining third-party insurance

Other items Ron mentioned:

- There will be standardized incident report sheets coming from the diocese
- There will be forms coming from the diocese for the purpose of evaluating the current state of our buildings

- The diocesan campaign exceeded expectations raising \$95,000, while the target was \$40,000. Archbishop Desrochers will be sending a letter to the parishes
- Financial statements for 2024 and projections for 2025 will be coming from the diocese to the parishes soon.

Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Mark Mahoney to accept the minutes and was seconded by Peter Mulroy. Carried.

Business arising from previous minutes:

- Kitchen party and yard sale combined to raise \$2300 and an online auction is being prepared for the Spring (May 26-30)
- Joe Santucci is the newest member of council. We were looking for two new members, but with Joe coming on board and Warren joining us recently, it was felt the current numbers are sufficient. This will be removed from the agenda.
- Paving of the parking lot was completed on October 28, 2024, and we have a quote of \$800 to measure and paint the lines in the Spring
- Doug is working on the Holy Family history and is just trying to get more information on the Ukrainian situation
- The Dynamic Christian Book Program is thought to be a worthwhile cause and will be introduced to the RPC. This will be removed from the agenda.
- The "thanks to Gerard" on November 16, 2024, after mass went very well. This will be removed from the agenda.
- The mice in the kitchen problem has been brought under control and this item will be removed from the agenda
- Flowers for shut ins went very well at Christmas with more than enough volunteers to complete the task. This will be removed from the agenda.
- Committee for social time clean-up is still a work in progress. Will be doing an announcement at mass

New Business:

- Financial report was distributed and reviewed. There was a question as to whether we should make a journal entry to move funds from the building fund (\$25,519 on the balance sheet) over to the operating expense to reduce the deficit. Council felt this was not necessary. Along with the financial report there was a proposal submitted by the Ukrainian Church to change their rent from \$1200 per month to \$400 for the use of the church premises on Sundays and an additional \$100 for special occasions. It was moved by Peter Mulroy to accept this offer with the understanding we would review this in 6 months. It was seconded by Jean Ryan. Motion carried.

Pastor's comments:

- Riley Hawkins has taken the position of choir leader for Holy Family and wants to see how it goes. Fr. Phil will introduce him to the community at mass this Saturday (February 1st)
- Prayer cards for the year of jubilee have been distributed and more are available. Fr. Phil is looking to borrow a picture of the holy family painted by Archbishop Desrochers and have it on display in the church for a month. Archbishop Desrochers also has 8 X 10's of the same portrait for sale.
- Fr. Phil asked Jean Ryan to give a quick summary of the disbanding of the Holy Family Senior's Club. It was felt that the club had run its course and with no one willing to step up in leadership, they decided to dissolve the club. All dues that were paid for 2025 will be returned. Any monies left over will be donated to Hospice.

Private Bursaries:

- People are offering a private bursary. Doug will pursue this and garner some more information.

Someone to Provide Donation Information:

- It was suggested that it may be helpful to have a designated person at mass each week to provide information on the different ways to donate for any who may be asking. Perhaps we could even have some forms available to fill out if someone wanted to start a PAD. A pre-mass announcement will be made regarding this.

Nest Meeting: Thursday, February 27, 2025, in the meeting room.

Closing Prayer: Led by Fr. Phil.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Mahoney

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Douglas W. Sh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.