



Resurrection Parish

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Sisters and Brothers of Resurrection Parish,

We are well into my second years as pastor. I continue to be impressed by the spirit of welcome at Resurrection Parish. With such a large and growing community, I am still getting to know many of you personally and that process continues.

Fr. Yannick arrived nearly a year ago and has been welcomed by the parish with open arms. I am grateful for his assistance and his joyful spirit. We share presiding and preaching responsibilities along with Deacon Joe who avails himself to preach monthly. The staff and I continue to introduce Fr. Yannick to new aspects of parish ministry in our parish. He is regularly invited to do replacement ministry at other parishes as well so he is slowly becoming familiar with other parishes in the Archdiocese. The latest word from Bishop Don is that Fr. Yannick will be with us at Resurrection Parish for at least another year.

Mass attendance is still behind pre-pandemic Mass participation levels and ministry involvement levels, although the increase in participation at daily and weekend Masses continues. There have also been many new members added to our faith community during that time. Our parish continues to become more and more culturally diverse. We continue to add numbers to our ministry roster though slowly, and parish activities and programs re-emerged and are strongly utilized. We continue to livestream the 9 am Sunday Mass throughout the archdiocese and beyond through the archdiocesan website.

In 2023 there were 70 Baptisms; 148 Confirmation/First Communion; 11 Catechumens, 7 adults received into the Church; 9 weddings; 40 funerals.

Resurrection Parish continues to be blessed with volunteers who help orchestrate a variety of events and outreach initiatives. We visit 3 seniors' homes routinely thanks to our pastoral care ministry volunteers headed by Nancy Barks who will soon be turning over that leadership role to a new person. We also provide these homes with Mass at these 3 locations every month and intermittent lay led liturgies.

With the retirement of Danica Love as RCIA Coordinator last spring, we are grateful to the new RCIA team of Alynn Ferstl, Karen Almasi-Tait, and Carrie Osika (RCIA for children), and their volunteers who have stepped up and continue to provide a strong process for those children and adults preparing for baptism and reception into the Church.

In 2023 the 'Tuesday Tea' young adult initiative was restored after a hiatus due to the pandemic, and now it continues to provide a weekly opportunity for this age group to come together to attend evening Mass and socialize. And recently, a catechetical dimension has been introduced before the Tuesday evening Mass. Thank you to Mitchell Porter who has seen to it that this initiative is being sustained.

Resurrection Parish continues looking at ways of tending to our youth population. The dialogue with diocesan youth leaders and with our schools is ongoing. In keeping with our desire to find the best way forward in attaining a solid youth ministry, formation over a period of time continues to be the process of building a youth presence in

the parish community. Farrah Semegen is initiating the 'Good Shepherd Program' of formation for toddlers ages 3-8. Youth ministry for middle years (ages 9 – 13) is in its fledgling stages and an introductory event for this age group is being planned for (hopefully) this spring.

Resurrection Parish connects directly with St. Gabriel, École St. Elizabeth, St. Marguerite and St. Dominic schools (the latter is shared with Holy Cross Parish) as well as Miller and LeBoldus High schools. The parish and school leadership continue to make efforts to retain and strengthen the bond between them. The number of schools makes this challenging.

Pastoral Council, the Finance Committee, the Liturgy Committee, the Social Justice Committee, Music ministry, and the Prayer Chain team all exemplify strong efforts to build a strong faith community. The Knights of Columbus and CWL of Resurrection Parish continue to do their part in fundraising and organizing service projects that benefit those in need both locally and nationally.

Ongoing faith education through Bible study and teachings about the Holy Eucharist (ie. Jesus and the Eucharist) continue. Thank you to George Kress for facilitating faith education in the parish over these past several months.

The Social Justice committee in communication with the Knights of Columbus are contributing to the Warming Center initiative in the city of Regina for the cold months.

Ecumenical efforts that facilitate dialogue between the Lutheran, Anglican United and Roman Catholic communities with the help of Dan Cameron are planned for 2024. Ongoing education and exposure to indigenous history and culture is also being negotiated in 2024 through the efforts of the Social Justice Committee, Patti Schmidt, and George Smadu of our parish.

Once again, we thank the bereavement team: Pat Pantel, Diane Schlosser, and Barb Moser for orchestrating another series of sessions for grieving individuals.

And finally, thanks to Denny and Cynthia Lizée who are just completing facilitating Couples Connect for 18 couples preparing for their upcoming weddings.

Special thanks to those who have continued to step up and assist in liturgical ministries. We hope to continue to grow our ministry rosters not just to take pressure off those who are so frequently on duty, but that the spirit of generous contribution to our faith community may grow and flourish.

May the Lord strengthen our resolve in building up and supporting each other in faith in a very difficult and divisive world.

In Christ,

Peace be with you all,



Fr. Brad

MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The past year has been remarkable in my life. When I moved here, I didn't know what to expect. I was coming to a place that spoke a different language than I knew. Upon arrival, the first thing I noticed was the welcoming spirit and open arms of the parishioners. I want to say a huge thank you for taking me in as one of yours. I would also like to thank Father Brad for his openness, wisdom and advice. He and Deacon Joe have been very supportive in helping me integrate into this community and country. The team here is one big jovial family that bears the sign and witness of Christ.



As the Associate Pastor, I have been supporting Father Brad in these capacities: celebrating Masses, baptism, confession, pastoral care, visiting the sick, presiding at funeral services and helping and supporting parishioners. It is always great to serve the Lord and I do it with joy and my entire heart.

The ministry of the Associate Pastor is a service which aims to give joy and above all to allow others to encounter Christ. This is possible when the Associate Pastor is well surrounded and helped. This is why I would like to thank the friendly staff of our parish. They go over and beyond to ensure the smooth running of the church.

Last but not least, I would like to thank Bishop Donald Bolen who made it possible for me to live and work in this diocese.

May God fill our hearts with joy, and may His peace pour out in our lives.

God bless our Parish

Fr. Yannick



MESSAGE FROM DEACON JOE

Dear Resurrection Parish family,

Through your support, prayer and care I am constantly reminded of how much I appreciate journeying with you and I am grateful for the fantastic privilege it is for me to be ministering among you with you here at Resurrection Parish. You and the Church, continually deepen my experiences and understandings of the meaning of Christ-like service, sacrifice and the meaning of faith lived in the midst of a sometimes-crazy world.



Through weddings, baptisms, and funerals I have been privileged to journey with many of you. Through the Word and Sacrament, you have in many ways become Eucharist, food for the journey, for me. I am thankful for your prayers not just for myself but for my family as well. Because of your support and faith, I feel energized and blessed to carry out my ministry in our parish, our Catholic schools and in the bigger community all around us in the Archdiocese – thank-you!

I extend my heartfelt thanks and blessings to our parish staff, Victoria, Tom, Lori, Valorie, Gwen, Randy, Susan, and Peggy, for all that they have done and continue to do to keep the parish as a place of worship and community – a place to refuel before going out in mission in the world. Special blessings too on all members of the various ministries, committees, volunteers, and groups who make our parish a place where Christ can be seen and experienced in many ways.

To Father Brad and Fr. Yannick, I know some see us as Wayne and Shuster (explain it to Fr. Yannick please Fr. Brad), the Smothers Brothers (again please Fr. Brad) or Statler and Waldorf (see the Muppets), but it is great to truly celebrate with you in so many ways my brothers! You are inspirational – people of God there is more to come!

Over and above my parish ministry and thankfulness for your prayers, patience and support, there is a deeper foundation to who I am. I thank my family for their undying support and most deeply and profoundly I thank my wife Rae-Lynn for without her love and care I would be greatly diminished. Her strong, patient, and quiet ways of kindness and support have enabled me to be “out there” while she nurtures our home, her own full-time work (now retired), her personal faith journey and a gazillion behind the scenes things that my guy brain misses! It is sometimes not easy being married to a deacon, but I find Christ within Rae who shines with Jesus’ love. Thanks Rae, I love you!

Please keep us all in your prayers. I know there are ways I have fallen short in my ministry or your need for me and my time and simply ask for your forgiveness and ongoing prayers.

Blessings and Peace to all

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Deacon Joe

MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our parish and broader community. This year, our pastoral council has continued to focus on our parish mission of “Go forth and make disciples by loving God and loving others”. Our vision and strategy this year centred on four key areas: a focus on unchurched or dechurched people in our community; an excellent weekend experience at Mass; adult discipleship through small groups; and growing members who pray daily, become volunteer ministers, and grow as givers.



I wish to thank our council members who have worked with their committees on initiatives such as: bringing back “coffee and cookies hospitality” after Mass, organizing a blanket exercise at our parish, ecumenical outreach, providing care to our elderly and shut-ins, organizing beautiful liturgies, and new youth programming. Their devoted efforts have accomplished much good. Thank you to our community members who volunteer in these activities and share their time, talent, and treasure within our parish. We are thankful for our vibrant community. And of course, thank you to Father Brad and Father Yannick for their leadership and guidance.

We recognize the ongoing need to communicate and reach out to current and potential parishioners. The size of our parish is simultaneously a blessing and a challenge; working together on committees, projects, and parish activities is one way to build our community while also making our large parish feel small. Our focus going forward will be continuing to foster a feeling of belonging and engagement, where parishioners of all ages play a role in beautiful liturgical celebrations and community service.

On behalf of Pastoral Council, thank you for your continued support and prayers. We pray our efforts will help all to grow individually as spirit-filled disciples, as well as to grow as a community of faith.

Sarah France

Pastoral Council Chair



MESSAGE FROM OUR FINANCE COUNCIL

On behalf of the Finance Council, I want to thank our parishioners for their continued support. Your generosity allowed us to navigate higher operational costs and continue providing essential services in the community.

The Finance Council helps with the management of church funds. We look to share these insights with the congregation through financial updates and ongoing communications. These steps provide a deeper understanding of our operations and let us celebrate success and embrace challenges together.

I want to acknowledge the history of financial stewardship that we have enjoyed at this parish. The hard work and dedication of so many people have helped ensure Resurrection Parish is in a strong financial position. This has allowed us to direct more contributions toward work that needs to be done in the parish and positioned us to respond to new challenges as they arise.

I would like to thank Father Brad for his direction over the last year and welcome Father Yannick to our parish. I also want to thank the staff for all their work to help build the amazing church community we enjoy today.

May God bless you all, as we continue to grow in our faith as a parish community.

Scott Mantyka

Finance Council Chair



RESURRECTION PARISH – 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Resurrection Parish is a large Roman Catholic parish in Windsor Park which is located in the southeast corner of Regina, Saskatchewan. The parish is now 24 years old.

We exist to fulfill the Great Commission of Christ, given to us through His disciples before His ascension into heaven:

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..” Matthew 28:19

Resurrection Parish celebrates Sunday and weekday Masses and other liturgies, provides faith formation and Sacrament preparation, offers fellowship, outreach and evangelization opportunities.

As a parish, there are four Faith Habits we want to instill in our members:

- PRAY always;
- SERVE in a parish ministry or missionary outreach;
- GIVE generously; and
- INVITE others to join in your journey.

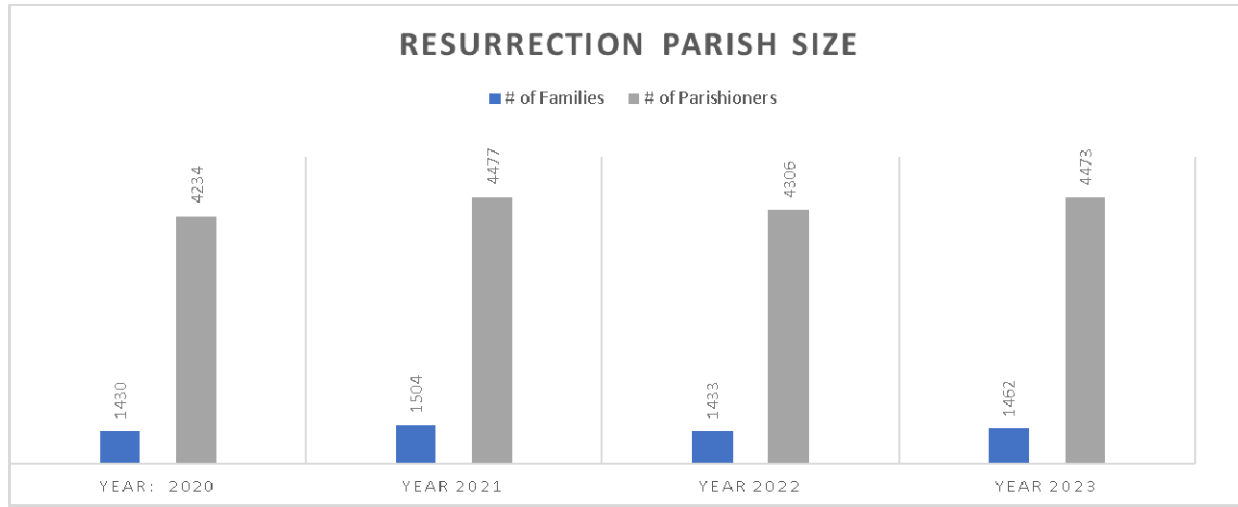
Individuals are called to be on a continuous journey of growth in these areas. We should always be looking for ways to take another step forward in each of the habits. If we are “comfortable” in any of these habits, how can we be challenged to move forward into something that helps us to grow?

As a parish in the Archdiocese of Regina, we embrace and support the four priorities Archbishop Don Bolen has set forth:

1. Building vital and viable parish faith communities;
2. Living evangelization and discipleship by:
 - facilitating encounters with Jesus;
 - equipping disciples to live as authentic witnesses;
 - forming and supporting strong lay leaders and clergy;
3. Listening, engaging in dialogue, and seeking justice and reconciliation; and
4. Growing in faithful and responsible stewardship.

PARISH PROFILE

We are blessed to be led by our Pastor, Father Brad Fahlman, our Associate Pastor Fr. Yannick N’Cho and our Deacon, the Reverend Mr. Joe Lang. They are supported by eight part-time staff. Additional support from parishioners for program administration includes performing building and grounds maintenance, decorating, setting up tables and chairs and assisting at sign-in tables for sacrament preparation classes.



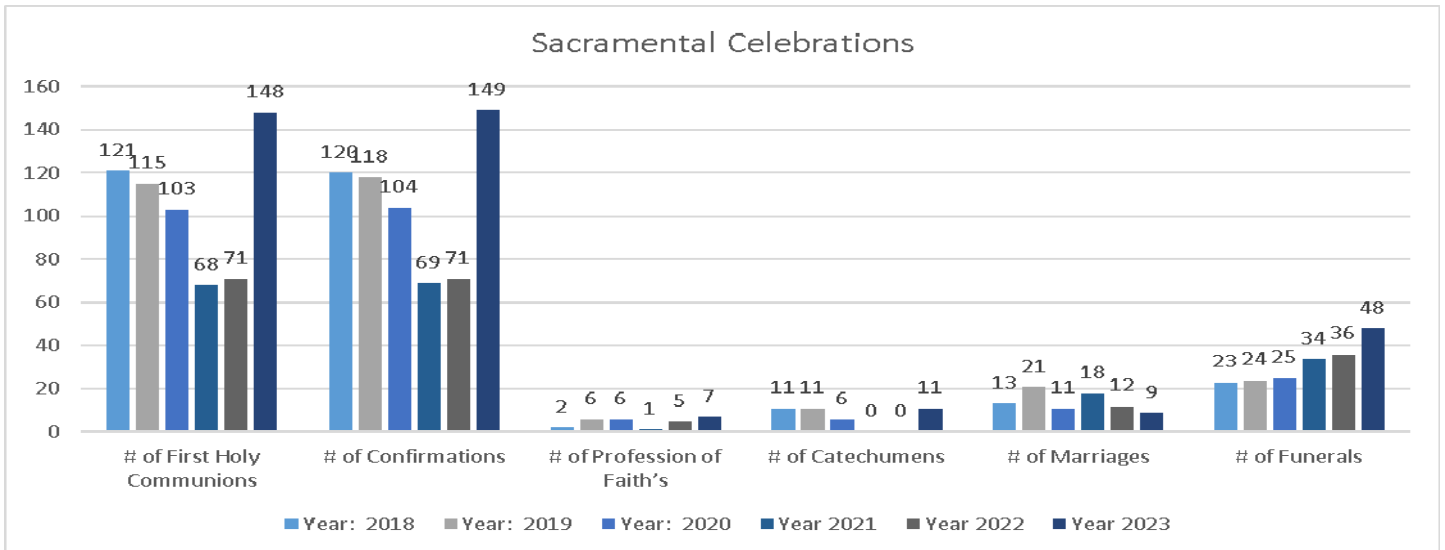
We witnessed a steady increase in the number of people attending daily and weekend Masses throughout the year. Many new families were welcomed in to our parish community. We initiated a restart of parish liturgical ministers and began to grow our Ministry roster.

We continued to provide Mass at Green Falls Landing twice per month, Victoria Park and Riverbend Crossing once per month. We also were able to bring the Eucharist to smaller care homes within our parish boundaries. Our 9:00 AM Sunday Mass continues to be broadcast via the Archdiocese YouTube channel to allow those who are unable to attend Mass to watch online.

Of special note are the Mass celebrations associated with Lent, and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and the Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for children. While this group meets throughout the year to pray and learn about their faith, the celebration of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil) marks a special date on the Catholic Church calendar as it is at this time that this group of individuals is welcomed into the church community and the Parish truly celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

PARISH PROFILE (continued)

Special weekday Masses and liturgies were celebrated by Father Brad, Father Yannick N’Cho and Deacon Joe and Livestreamed to Resurrection Parish’s associated elementary schools, St. Gabriel, St. Marguerite, St. Dominic and St. Elizabeth as well as to other schools within the Archdiocesan Catholic School Division. Father Brad and Father Yannick celebrated Masses and liturgies with the students in their schools. Over 1200 school Administrators and teachers attended the staff opening Mass for the Regina Catholic School Division in August



There are currently 4473 parishioners registered at Resurrection Parish. 3029 of our parishioners are adults with an average age of 48 and 1154 are children with an average age of 10.
(some parishioners have not provided a birth date)

The Parish welcomed 138 new families in 2023.



Sacraments

A sacrament is a celebration of God's love for us – and a gift given to the Church by Christ. All sacraments are meant to strengthen us for our journey through life. Every sacrament is celebrated with ritual, symbols and prayer.



Baptism

The Sacrament of baptism is the first sacrament of initiation, where you are welcomed into the Body of Christ and into the Parish community. Whether we are baptized as infants or adults, baptism is the Church's way of celebrating and allowing us to be embraced by God.

In 2023, Resurrection Parish welcomed 58 children into the church through baptism.

Confirmation and First Eucharist

These Sacraments are offered to children in grade two and higher. At confirmation, you receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and a deepening of the baptismal grace, which unites us more fully with Christ. The celebration of First Eucharist is the first time that children receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

In 2023, Resurrection Parish celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Eucharist with 135 children. Because of the number of children involved, we celebrated the sacraments in three separate ceremonies.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing. In reconciliation, we receive God's unconditional forgiveness. As a result, we are called to also forgive others. The children learn that this sacrament is an opportunity to say sorry to God and to receive His forgiveness. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a sacrament that can be celebrated throughout our lifetime. This Sacrament is offered to children in grade four and older.

In 2023, Resurrection Parish celebrated the Sacrament of First Reconciliation with 68 children.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children

RCIA is for adults who have either not been baptized or have been baptized in the Catholic faith or another Trinitarian tradition and are seeking the sacrament of confirmation within the Catholic Church. They gather weekly, along with a sponsor to learn about the Catholic Church and grow in their faith. Rite of Christian Initiation of Children is for school age children who have not been baptized. This includes confirmation and full entry into the Church.

In 2023, Resurrection Parish celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist with four adults; Confirmation and First Eucharist with five adults; and Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist with seven children.

Pastoral Council

What is the Mission and Purpose of our Pastoral Council?

Pastoral Council is comprised of leader representatives from various ministries and committees within the Parish, as well as members at large from the congregation. It serves our parish by guiding and supporting pastoral ministries. Council strives to be a key instrument of lay leadership, and to encourage all members of Resurrection to play an active role in the life and presence of the Church in our community. Our mission and vision is set under the direction of the Pastor in consultation with Pastoral Council. Council discusses how we can continuously improve, and strategically grow, our ministries to achieve the mission and vision of our Parish.



What is our Mission and Vision?

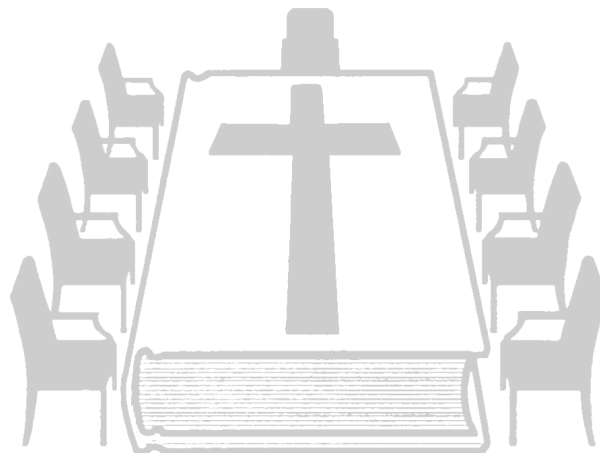
We have embraced the idea of Moving from Maintenance to Mission. We are challenging the Parish to not be comfortable and only inward serving with our ministries, but also to stretch and challenge ourselves to welcome those who may have drifted away, and those who do not yet know God’s Love. We are striving to do this with the following Core Strategies and Principles:

Core Strategies:

- A focus on welcome to newcomers, unchurched, and dechurched alike
- Creating an excellent weekend experience around the Mass
- Shaping a clear discipleship path for people in the pews

Core Principles:

- Support relationship building
- Create a sense of belonging to the community
- Create a positive experience so people want to come back.



Ministry of Care

“The sick, the vulnerable and the poor are at the heart of the Church; they must also be at the heart of our human concern and pastoral attention.”

These were the closing words in the last paragraph of His Holiness, Pope Francis, in his message for all the faithful on the 2024 World Day of the Sick. We as the Ministry of Care, turn our attention to our brothers and sisters in a number of ways.

We turn our attention to the sick and vulnerable in our **Retirement/Care Home** communities. Our people are no longer able to join us in the Church for Mass and other celebrations. We are moving closer to our goal of offering the Eucharist to the seniors in the Retirement/Care Homes within our parish boundaries once per week.

The seniors we meet in our care homes are those for whom the church has been central in their lives. They are a major part of the history of the Catholic Church in Saskatchewan. It is truly a gift to be able to offer the Eucharist to those who have given so much to the Church. They are extremely grateful for the opportunity to receive the Eucharist and, in turn, we are extremely grateful for their examples of commitment, devotion and service.

We turn our attention to the bereaved, those who have lost someone special. **Bereavement** sessions were held for six consecutive weeks in the fall of 2023. This included participating in the beautiful Resurrection Parish All Soul’s Day Liturgy. We have a team of three very compassionate women who share their own experience and knowledge of the grieving process. Participants are also able to share as they choose. Journaling, as a way of working through grief, is encouraged through writing prompts. The Bereavement Team is also available for personal contact with anyone who is affected by the loss of a loved one and who needs a listening ear. The next Bereavement Support Session will be held in the fall of 2024. Interested persons are welcome to contact the parish office.

The Bereavement Team also plan a supper for all widows and widowers. Held each fall, it is very well attended and the participants are grateful for this time of sharing. It is hoped that participants will reach out to each other for coffee dates, friendship, and support throughout the year.

We turn our attention to those who would like our support through **intercessory prayer**. Prayer requests are received by telephone or email at any time. These prayer requests are sent out on Monday morning. Each prayer minister receives prayer requests through a phone ladder or by email, depending on their personal preference. There is no set time, place, format, or routine for praying for others. Each prayer minister chooses the time and the form of prayer which seems best for each individual circumstance. Our prayer ministers are part of a team of just over fifty individuals who lift up to God the intentions brought forward each week.

We are always ready to welcome new people to the Ministry of Care. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



Hospitality

Resurrection parish is known as a welcoming parish, we are excited to greet and welcome anyone who enters our doors. Throughout the course of the year we have our greeter ministry in action as well as someone manning the welcome desk.

Annual BBQ

The BBQ was held in September to welcome back families from the summer holidays. This event was coordinated by the Knights of Columbus and the parish event coordinator and provided a relaxed afternoon of fellowship and good food.

Halloween

Halloween is a festive time of year, and the celebrations at the parish brought many families into the building over the course of the evening. Staff provided attendees with candies, popcorn, and an opportunity for fellowship with trick or treaters - big & small.

Harvest Supper

Resurrection has held a Harvest Supper in October for a number of years. Who can't resist a full course turkey meal? We offered one seating for the meal and about 300 people were able to enjoy the meal and fellowship and meet fellow parishioners.

Coffee and cookies

Whenever possible, we offer coffee and cookies after Sunday Masses.

Spaghetti Suppers

Spaghetti suppers are routinely held and hosted by the Social Justice committee. The intent is bring the community together and offer community building in our parish. Spaghetti suppers are held after the 5PM Mass the same weekends the Knights of Columbus put on their pancake breakfast.

Movie Nights

Resurrection Parish also offered free family movie nights to our parishioners. We had a couple of movie nights which were well received and attendees enjoyed the movie, popcorn and drinks.

New Parishioners Welcome Dinner

Resurrection Parish held a New Parishioners Welcome Dinner where we invited all those families new to the parish as well as existing parishioners to gather together for an evening of fellowship. Approximately 225 people attended that event.



Spiritual Development

The Spiritual Development Committee is responsible for developing and promoting educational and spiritual programs and activities to help parishioners to grow in faith, as well as opportunities to enjoy the fellowship of other parishioners. The following opportunities were available for people to gather in fellowship and to grow in their faith:



Bible Studies

Bible studies in the parish have been popular and well attended this year. George Kress led The Mass study this year. Additionally a Lenten Reflection evening led by George Kress was held on Tuesdays during Lent.

Family Faith Formation

In November, families had the opportunity to attend a family advent retreat. 8 families participated in the retreat with prayer, presentations about where Jesus lived and The Annunciation, and an opportunity to make an advent wreath to take home. The afternoon was facilitated by Farrah Semegen a catechist with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Mondays for Moms

Mothers of small children meet Monday mornings for coffee, snacks, and fellowship while their children play with toys provided by the parish. The group met at parks in the summer and fall. They met back at the parish as the weather got colder. The group celebrated Halloween, All Saints Day and Epiphany with special parties. The parish Moms also have a Facebook group where they connect and sometimes arrange to meet up outside the parish.

Men's Faith Night

The objective of the MFN is to build the faith of the men in our parish through the sharing of personal testimonies of how God is working in the lives of men. As well, the evening includes a time of fellowship where they can get to know each other through sharing a beverage and some snacks. There were a few nights held in the fall, but the nights have been discontinued due to poor attendance. There is further information in the Knights of Columbus report.

The Archdiocese has been holding a monthly men's event, Made for Greatness, which is open to the men of our parish as well. They are monthly on the 2nd Friday of the month.

Spiritual Development (continued)

Women's Faith Formation

Charlene Graham has done a tremendous job leading this group. Please find a report from Charlene below:
2023-2024 Beloved Daughters - a Women's Faith Formation

Our women's faith group - Beloved Daughters - continues to meet on the third Saturday of the month. It is a drop in opportunity for women to meet, discuss and grow in faith together. Our email list of participants has grown to over 40 women with 12 to 20 women attending regularly. I am grateful that our parish provides the space and support for us to meet. In 2023-24, I relied on a faith sharing guide for Catholic women titled "Living as a Beloved Daughter of God" by Patricia Mitchell. Each meeting includes a specific topic with a scripture passage and paragraph from the CCC accompanied by discussion questions. To date the topics include:

- Forming Friendships in Christ
- Dealing with Our Emotions
- The Power of our Words
- Developing a Servant's Heart
- Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Topics left to explore for March, April, and May include:

- Freedom from Worry and Anxiety
- Finding Balance
- The Storing of Treasure

We also plan a spring (short) day trip / retreat each year. This spring we plan to attend Wilcox, Saskatchewan.

We are so blessed because this group continues to grow and welcome members from Resurrection Parish as well as other parishes. We learn together, pray together, and support each other as women, sisters and beloved daughters of God.

Thank you, Charlene!



Social Justice Committee

The mission of the Social Justice committee at Resurrection is tied to the Catholic Social Teachings of the Catholic Church. The center of the Church's social teaching is the life, dignity, and the rights of the human person. Our purpose is to work to engage in action-oriented activities that promote and enliven the social teaching of the Church in our communities. To educate our parish community and promote social justice issues to improve the quality of life locally, nationally and internationally.



In order to engage with our local and global communities, we continue to work on several different initiatives. In 2023 the Social Justice Committee monthly meetings were in-person as well as email discussions. The committee met in person four times in 2023 and the email discussions occurred the other times. In addition, the committee welcomed seven new members who participate either by attending our meetings or volunteering for the committee initiatives.

Below is a list of the initiatives the committee has been involved in 2023:

- **St. Michael Community School snack program**
We continue to partner with St. Michael's Community School by providing a healthy snack to their students. We have a total of 36 volunteers from our parish participating. Each volunteer provides applesauce and either granola bars or prepackaged cheese and crackers once every six weeks.
- **St. Michaels - school supplies**
Prior to the start of the new school year our committee collects new school supplies to donate to St. Michaels Community School. The fall of 2023 the school included monetary donations or purchased school supplies.
- **Mother Theresa Middle School (MTMS) –**
We continue to share initiatives with students at MTMS to “Climb the Mountain of Truth and Reconciliation.” A goal at the school is for each girl to sew their own ribbon skirt. We are happy to support this amazing initiative. We also support students in improving their reading and achieving their personal reading goals. We were happy to supply baking for a community gathering.
- **Christmas Hampers**
The Social Justice Committee coordinated the annual Christmas hamper collection, assembly and delivery for 45 families and 25 seniors in December. In addition, the committee provided a food hamper to Youth for Christ (YFC) Regina Chapter to be used in their housing programs or for a youth and their family. Food and household goods were collected through the generosity of Resurrection Parish parishioners. The hamper item collection was done both online and as well picking tags from the giving tree. The Knights of Columbus along with parishioner volunteers delivered the family hampers.

Social Justice Committee (continued)

- **Senior donations**

This program started in 2017 in partnership with Saskatchewan Health Authority – Home Care. This partnership provides monthly donations to seniors who are in need of basic necessities. Each month we receive a shopping list that identifies such items as food supplies, gift cards, transit passes, etc. The budget cost per month is \$150. Some of the seniors are on a very limited income, so this is just another means by which this committee can make a difference in their lives. Every little bit helps
- **Benefactor's Donations**
 - \$2,000 was donated to Development and Peace for earthquake victims in Turkey/Syria.
 - \$200 was donated to Praise the Park.
- **Interchurch Sandwich Project** - In conjunction with the inter-faith community of other churches, Saturday lunches are being provided to individuals and families in need and are distributed at the First Baptist Church on the corner of Lorne and Victoria Avenue. These lunches are provided on Saturday twelve months of the year. Several churches, including Resurrection Parish, have volunteered to provide the bagged lunches on a rotational basis. 218 bagged lunches are prepared and include a sandwich, cheese, fruit, juice box and cereal bar. In 2023 Resurrection Parish hosted bagged lunches five times. The number of guests in attendance at each of the Saturdays for bagged lunches was between 75 and 130.
- **Spaghetti Suppers** – In January, 2023 the Social Justice Committee took over hosting of the Saturday spaghetti suppers from the CWL. In 2023, the committee hosted three suppers with goodwill offering donations going towards social justice initiatives. The goodwill offering for 2023 went towards the costs of operating the interchurch sandwich project.
- **Learning to Make Bannock and Sharing with a Kokum** – As part of our education with regard to Climbing the Mountain of Truth and Reconciliation we organized a bannock making class with a Kokum through Sister Reanne from the Archdiocese Office. In April, 2023 we had nine participants who shared in learning to making bannock and sharing in stories from Kokum Doreen. It was a wonderful and fun opportunity to learn and develop relationships.

God Bless

The Social Justice Committee

Youth Ministry

Under the guidance of the Archdiocese our youth were able to continue to participate in the following:

- E3 evenings, Ignite, Gloria Patri, Source, MyGen and Variety Night.
- Camp Monahan, Kenosee camp.



Kids Alive

With the help of many of our parish teacher volunteers we were able to offer Kids Alive to students in Kindergarten to grade 5.

VBS

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a faith filled week long adventure for children in Kindergarten to Grade 5. Youth in Grade 6 and up are invited to volunteer as leaders. We were very excited that we were able to offer VBS in person again this year! With the talent and assistance of many youth and leaders over 80 participants experienced God's awesomeness and enjoyed a week long 'Stellar' good time!

Christmas Pageant

Under the guidance of parent/teacher volunteers children from our feeder schools, St. Gabriel, St. Marguerite, St. Dominic and St. Elizabeth put on a Children's Nativity Pageant during the 7:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve.

Passion Mime

Under the guidance of Natalie Mitchell and other parent/teacher volunteers, youth from our feeder schools put on the Passion Mime during both Good Friday liturgies.

For more information on any of these events please check out our Facebook (ResurrectionYouthYQR), Instagram (resurrection_youth) or send an email to: youth@resurrectionparish.ca

Reverence For Life Committee

The "work" and "mission" toward reverence for life is to keep in the forefront life issues such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide and the need to support all mothers in crisis in their time of need.

The 4 pillars of reverencing life are:

- the unborn
- the poor
- the victims of violence
- the sick, elderly and disabled.



In January we hand out pro-life bookmarks and ribbons to remind ourselves that the law was struck down to decriminalize abortion and presently there is NO law to protect the unborn.

The CWL and Knights of Columbus partnered together in February to hold a baby shower and send all donations and monies collected to Carmichael Outreach who then distributes the baby formula, diapers and clothing to mothers in need.

Do you have a membership in Regina Pro Life? It is so important to do this. You become a partner to participate in and help promote their events such as:

- The Life Chain Sunday at the beginning of October
- 40 Days of Prayer at the General Hospital from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday
- The March for Life at the Legislature in May
- and on May 23rd, 2024 is the Pro-Life fundraising Banquet.

We have Adoration on first Fridays every month. Come and pray for just laws and protection of life.

We just finished signing postcards and sending them to our MP Michael Kram protesting the possible expansion of assisted suicide to the mentally ill.

Reverence for Life month is coming up in May with the goal to celebrate life from conception to natural death. There is also a great need to lobby for more and better Palliative Care so that the sick and dying are assured of compassionate care.

Thank you to the office staff for putting up the materials that are sent to our Parish. In cooperation with one another, we can do our part to stand up and defend and celebrate life as Jesus would want us to.

God bless,
Marg Engel, Past Chair – Reverence for Life Committee

Liturgy Committee

We are thankful that our church attendance has been increasing slowly as we participate in Sunday Mass and the celebration of the Eucharist. We have approximately 1000 parishioners attending weekend Masses. There is one Mass on Saturday and two Masses on Sunday, except for July and August when there is only one Mass on Sunday. During the week, there is a daily Mass on Tuesday to Friday which is well attended! Children from our Catholic schools often attend the weekday Masses. On the first Friday of the month, there is Adoration after Mass until 11:00 a.m. Our priests also provide the sacrament of Reconciliation for parishioners. We are very pleased to have Father Yannick as our Associate Pastor to assist Father Brad.



The mandate of the Liturgy Committee is to work with the priest and pastoral assistant to aid in providing meaningful liturgical celebrations and ensure the celebrations are welcoming and inviting for all. This is made possible with the help of the Liturgy Committee.

The Liturgy Committee is made up of the trainers (or representatives) of all of the ministries that are needed during the weekend Masses (Mass Coordinators, Greeters and Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Proclaimers, Altar Servers, Décor, AV (Sound and PowerPoint) and Music Ministry). The Liturgy Committee meet regularly to ensure clear communication with each other and discuss ways to make the weekend Mass celebrations welcoming and inviting to everyone.

We are grateful to see growth in our Music Ministry with the addition of a new choir, this provides the opportunity to have live music at more Masses. The Décor volunteers do a wonderful job in creating a meaningful atmosphere in our church; the church décor is always reflective of the liturgical season.

Our Ministry Fair in September was successful in recruiting members to help with the ministries. The Ministry scheduling system, Ministry Scheduler Pro, seems to be working well.

We are blessed to have so many parishioners who are willing to give of their time and talent! We have 195 parishioners actively serving and registered on our Parish Ministry Scheduling program, Ministry Scheduler Pro.

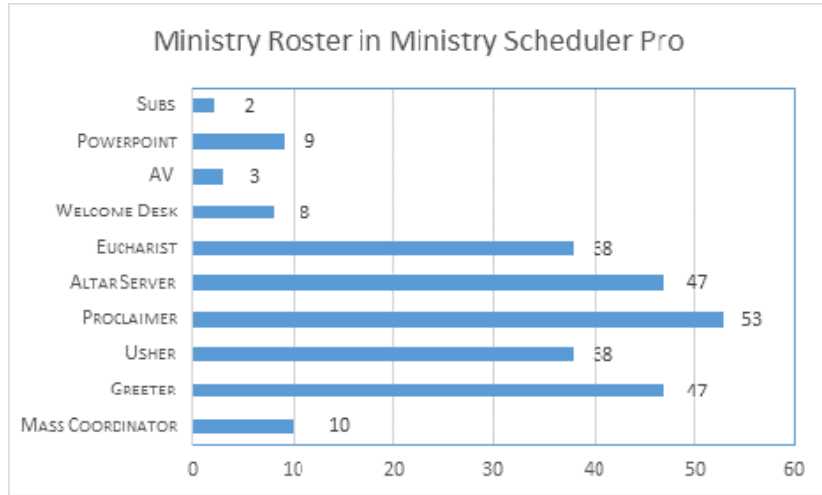
Other Liturgical Celebrations

Of special note are the Mass celebrations associated with Lent, and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). While this group meets throughout the year to pray and learn about their faith, the celebration of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil) marks a special date on the Catholic Church calendar as this group of individuals is welcomed into the church community and the Parish truly celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

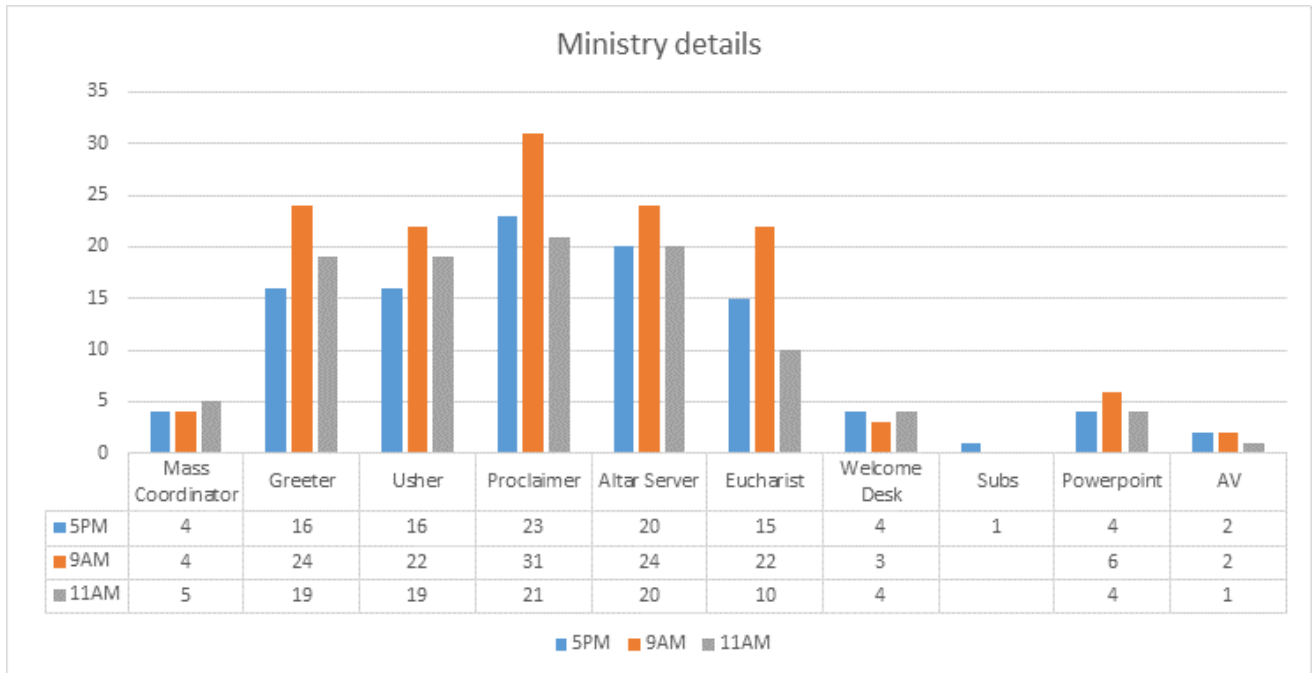
Special weekday Masses and liturgies are held throughout the year for Resurrection Parish's associated elementary schools as well as for Miller Comprehensive High School and Dr. Martin Leboldus High School. Over 1200 people attended the staff opening Mass for the Regina Catholic School Division in August.

During the school year, in addition to various individual classes attending Liturgies and Masses during the week Fr. Brad and Fr. Yannick celebrated Masses at École St. Elizabeth.

Liturgy Committee (continued)



The above “Ministry Roster” chart represents the number of ministers who have signed up for each of the ministries. NOTE: Some ministers have signed up for more than one ministry.



The above ‘Ministry details’ chart represents the number of ministers available to serve at each of the Masses – 5pm, 9am and 11am. Note: some ministers have signed up to serve at more than one Mass time

Resurrection Parish Catholic Women's League of Canada

The Resurrection Catholic Women's League council had a membership of 92 members in 2023. Following is a list of our council's activities during 2023:

- February 7 – Our general meeting was held with Deacon Joe Lang as guest speaker. His topic was a Pre-Lenten reflection.
- February 7- Physicians for Life donation of \$500.00
- March 14 – Reaffirmation and Installation of Officers was held.
- Lenten Project- CWL and K of C collected baby items and cash donations for Carmichael Outreach during the month of March. The project was very successful raising \$1335.00 for Carmichael Outreach and large number of baby items.
- March 31– CWL led the Stations of the Cross held on Fridays during Lent
- Donation of \$125.00 to RCIC and RCIA to fund USB sticks for photos of candidates during celebrations.
- April 4- Louise and George Kress did a presentation at our general meeting about their participation in the Diocesan trip which visited the Diocesan project in Cuernavaca, Mexico. At that meeting, personal hygiene items were collected from members to take to the Saturday sandwich project at the First Baptist church.
- Honor guard for Marge Szabo.
- May 2 – Sherri Dlouhy- Stevenson presented how to make a greeting card. The membership were able to make a card at the meeting.
- May 4 – Donation of \$500.00 to Amy Johnson for her trip to World Youth Day. Donation of \$750.00 to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.
- A parish bake sale sponsored by CWL was held on the weekend of April 29, 30. It was very successful raising \$1246.00 for CWL's charitable projects.
- May 7,8 – The 100th annual Diocesan CWL convention was held at our parish. Our members welcomed participants by serving coffee and muffins.
- A June windup dinner was held at Fired Up Grill on June 6.
- A Fundraiser was held after September weekend masses for Father John Weekend's City of Regina Marathon Run. This is an annual fundraiser for Visitation House. We collected a \$1375.00 donation for Visitation House.
- September 5 – Amy Johnson presented on her trip to Portugal for World Youth Day.
- October 29 – Successful Harvest Supper raffle of two Entertainment Baskets was held.
- Fall – CWL members donated mittens for students at St. Augustine School. This was a project of the parish Social Justice committee.
- November 14 – Guest speaker Janette Reiger, Diocesan president, received feedback from membership related to the CWL National Unity project
- December 22 – Two of our members purchased and prepared snacks for the RCIA Advent party.
- Christmas Party for our membership held on Tuesday Dec. 5.
- CWL Masses were held throughout the year on the 4th weekend of each month. At this Mass CWL members carried out all the liturgical ministries for that Mass.



The Resurrection CWL council is looking forward to continuing with our activities in 2024. Watch the bulletin for announcements about general meetings coming up. Our meetings are held at 7:30 pm the first Tuesday of the month in Meeting Rooms 1&2. For information about membership please contact president - Rosella McGrane 789-6314.

Resurrection Parish Knights of Columbus

Founded on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut, and a group of parishioners. Their intent? To bring financial aid and assistance to the sick, disabled and needy members and their families.



Mission of the Knights of Columbus: Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community.

Meetings: General membership meetings are held on the second Tuesdays of each month from September to June.

Charity

We would like to thank our parishioners for their generous support of our council's fundraising activities. The net proceeds from our charitable activities are designated to benefit our parish, charitable organizations, and the community.

During 2023, some of the successful fund-raising events and amounts included: the Chapter Football Pool, Phone Book Deliveries, the Grey Cup Football Pool, Country Thunder ticket sales, parish bulletin advertising, Sarcan, bartending, and parish breakfasts.

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS

The Faith in Action Programs inspire our council members to put their faith into action. These programs draw men closer to their faith, families, and communities. Highlighted within each program area are the 2023 activities for our council.

Faith

Our goal is to strengthen our men and their families in the faith. When we entered the Order, we were reminded to constantly form ourselves in the Catholic faith. This formation goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving God and his son Jesus Christ. Highlights of our Faith service activities and charitable donations include:

- Our council hosts Men's Faith Nights on the last Thursday of each month. The purpose of a Men's Faith Night is to build faith in Jesus Christ through sharing of testimonies of how God is working in men's lives today and to share fellowship with other men of faith.
- Our council members contribute to a variety of parish ministries. During the year, we served as rosary leaders, lead the Stations of the Cross, and served in the ministries of the mass for the fifth Sundays of the month.
- Annually, our council unites our community in a special act of prayer and devotion to the saints by hosting the pilgrim icon. These icons travel between councils to inspire communal acts of prayer and devotion.

Resurrection Parish Knights of Columbus (continued)

- In support of the K of C Vocation Endowment, Resurrection Knights of Columbus Council participated with our parish in a fundraising campaign during the first two weekends of February. The council also contributed \$1300 toward the Knights of Columbus Endowment Fund (bursaries for seminarians).
- In March our council held a Shamrock Drive to support Camp Monahan. Proceeds of \$4300 was donated.
- In April our council sponsored the RCIA candidate bells for the Easter Vigil.
- Our council donated to other faith development events such as: Men's Spiritual Retreats, the Archdiocese Variety Night, and the Made4Greatness Catholic Men's Conference.

Family

The programs in this category are developed for families by families. Blessed Michael McGivney sought to strengthen the familial bond of father to mother and children to parents. Family program highlights included:

- In May our council hosted a fraternity supper for the men of our council.
- In July our council hosted a Fraternity Barbecue for council members, their wives and the widows of fallen Knights.
- Family of the Month Program - each month, the council selects one parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day.
- In December our council sponsored the Couples Connect resources with a \$500 donation.

Community

As Knights of Columbus, we are called to serve our family and our God. Our first principle is Charity, at home with our families and in our communities. This is a critical part of our Knights of Columbus mission. Highlights of our Community service activities and charitable donations included:

- In February and December, our council members prepared and served a chili lunch for the patrons at the Marian Centre.
- In May our council pruned popular trees at the Myriam Family of the Prairies new home.
- In June, our council prepared and served a hamburger and hot dog lunch for patrons of the Marian Centre.
- In June, council members prepared and served hamburgers and hotdogs at the École Saint Elizabeth year-end barbecue.
- In April, July, August, and November the council and wives, distributed 200 lunch bags for the Inter-church Sandwich Project. The sandwiches were prepared by the Social Justice team.
- In September the Knights and their wives lead and assisted participants at the Saturday Bingo at the Santa Maria Senior Citizens Home.

Resurrection Parish Knights of Columbus (continued)

- In October and November, the council held a winter clothing drive which was highly supported by parishioners. Clothing was delivered to Saint Michael's Catholic Elementary School, Saint Augustine Catholic Elementary School, the Marian Centre, Carmichael Outreach, and the Christian Indigenous Fellowship Centre.
- In November, the Knights delivered 48 winter coats, at a cost of \$800, to Catholic elementary schools.
- In December our council served a Christmas Luncheon for the students and staff from Saint Michael School. The meal was prepared and served by our Knights and wives. A great experience for all. Maple Leaf Distributors provided a generous donation of \$1500 to cover food costs. The lunch was a great experience by all.
- A significant donation of \$4515 was made by our council toward the Parish Building Fund.
- Other council donations included:
 - Parish Parking Lot Line Painting - \$3080
 - Rectory Barbecue and Gas Line Installation – \$1420
 - High School Scholarship - \$500
 - Inter-church Sandwich Project - \$500
 - Chalice Canada - \$505
 - \$400 donations to: Catholic Family Services, Myriam Family of the Prairies, Regina Pro-Life Association, Special Olympics Regina, Visitation House, Canadian Wheelchair Foundation, and The Salvation Army.
 - Parish Staff Christmas Gifts - \$463
 - Regina Catholic Schools Assistive Technology - \$250

Life

The Knights of Columbus defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Knights work together to build a culture of life and a civilization of love. Highlights of our Life service activities and charitable donations included:

- The Knights of Columbus has a unique relationship with the Special Olympics and has helped disabled athletes train for and compete in games. Our council donated \$575 to the Special Olympics Saskatchewan.
- A new Knights of Columbus initiative is the Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) program. The initiative supports pregnant women, mothers and their babies. In partnership with the CWL, our council hosted a “Baby Shower” in March to provide Carmichael Outreach with much needed support for young mothers and their newborns. Cash donations totalled \$1335. In addition to cash, donated items included: baby formula, diapers and clothing.

Resurrection Parish Knights of Columbus (continued)

- In April our council hosted the Silver Rose Prayer Service to promote the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

Our Council is strong with 175 members. We will continue to witness our faith by empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community.

“It’s not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.” Mother Teresa

Darrell Zaba - Grand Knight



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2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES



Annual General Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2023 | 12:30PM to 1:15

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1	Call to order: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chairperson, Marjorie Ingjaldson, called the meeting to order at 12:30PM.	
2	Opening prayer: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Father Brad Fahlman opened the meeting with a prayer.	
3	Appointment of the Chairperson: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Marjorie Ingjaldson, Pastoral Chairperson started the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish.	
4	Appointment of the Secretary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Victoria Billett was the recording Secretary of the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish.	
5	Welcome and Introductions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chairperson introduced Father Brad Fahlman, Parish staff, and representatives from the Pastoral and Finance Councils.Father Brad (Pastor) - we are well into my first year at Resurrection, as you know we are an increasingly diverse community coming out of this pandemic. We are in the process of resuming ministries and practices in the Parish that help us build community, it is a work in progress. We have had people that have left different aspects of the liturgical ministry at the beginning of the pandemic because of it, some have come back, some have retired and some are still thinking about it. Our attendance is not what it was before the pandemic, as is true globally at this point.On April 22 we are planning a new parishioner dinner to welcome many of our new community members, Those who have joined the parish in the last year will be receiving a personal invitation. We hope that many of you are able to come to welcome them.On another note, we had a staff change in 2022, Barb Moser stepped away from Sacramental prep and Valorie Magnuson has taken on that role. She has her hands full with give or take 150 children who have signed up for Confirmation and First Eucharist. You can see in the report for the statistics for the other sacraments.We have 6 wedding planned throughout the course of the 2023.As a parish we are connected to 6 retirement homes, thanks to everyone involved in Ministry of Care. We also visit 3 different care homes for Mass each month. We are also starting to work on having lay led ministries, sometimes it's a pastoral visit with communion, sometimes it's a full liturgy.We are also trying to connect with our schools, that is a work in progress, we are working on strengthening the bond between our parish and the schools, which we were not been able to do during the pandemic.Our Youth ministry is a work in progress, I know we have had different youth ministers in the past few years. In talking with the Archdiocese,	

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Michelle Braden and Braden Kuntz, we need to play the long game rather than hiring a youth minister and say here take care of it. We need to start developing and forming our young kids so that they grow into youth ministers. It's a team effort, a community effort, they need to develop a comfort level in that capacity. So we are starting at a team level, I know there is people like Murray who have expressed an interest, he has a young daughter who would like to be connected with the youth, Farrah is a strong resource we have for our parish with young people. We are working on ways to connect with different age groups. So we need to be patient with the formation that we trying to establish.

- I want to thank Pat Pantel for her bereavement sessions, Pat and Dianne and Barb have taken that on. It went very well, they had a good response and they are tentatively planning another bereavement session for the fall.
- I want to thank Denny and Cynthia Lizee who facilitated couples connect his year. It is quite a commitment, they had 8 couples and they met every 2nd Sunday for 3 hours for the last few months. For a priest, this is one of the better preparations for marriage that we can offer here at Resurrection.
- There is talk of Divorce Care, people in the Parish have approached me and asked about Divorce Care. That is a discussion that is happening, we are not sure how we are going to approach that.
- Finally, our assisting priest is in the city, he has been sighted a few times, and is just getting logistics in order. He may be here for Palm Sunday?
 - Father Yannick is from the Ivory Coast, his first language is French but he does speak English. This is a great parish for him to learn. This is his first time in Canada, he has been a priest for 9 years.

6 Adoption of the meeting agenda:

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting agenda for the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish be adopted as presented.

Moved: Arlene Kuntz
 Second: Sarah France
CARRIED

7 Adoption of the meeting minutes (Found on page 25):

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting minutes from the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish be adopted as presented.

Moved: **Sarah France**
 Second: **Tom Kuntz**
CARRIED

8 Reports and updates:

About 550

- a. Ministries (Found on pages 7 to 20)
 - Marjorie (Chairperson) provided an update on behalf of the various Ministries in our Parish, details can be found in the report:
 Liturgy – continue to do a lot of work to recruit volunteers for Mass ministries in particular. Looking at returning to the scheduling app (MSP), this is still in the works but has been discussed at both Council and liturgy.

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In the process of expanding liturgy minister roles to pre-covid levels, eg. Altar servers are taking on more activity as per pre-covid procedures.

Hospitality - we have started up coffee and cookies after Mass. As a council we have discussed 'how do we re-connect as a community'. Covid has had a number of interesting impacts on our lives and disconnection is one of them. So coming soon to a Mass near you is name tag Sunday.

Ministry of Care, father talked about this and getting back into the care homes.

Bereavement support sessions, ongoing prayer ministry's. Spiritual Development Ministries and activities, focusing on the reconnection and trying to build up community.

Monday's for Mom, Faith Men's Night, Bible Studies – George Kress had a session on Mary that was very well attended and the Women's Faith Group has started up again.

Father talk a bit about the Youth ministries, there are a number of youth activities in the Parish and as he said we are in ongoing discussions with the Archdiocese on how to build that up. This will continue as a pastoral priority into the upcoming year.

RCIA and RCIC it's a very large vibrant group this year, I had the privilege to speaking at a session this year, there were 35 people present, includes candidates and the support team. I want to give a shout out to all of our ministry leaders in particular to Danica and Karen who have been doing a great job of running that ministry.

CWL as always are active in parish ministries and all kinds of places, learning and growing in faith as a women's community. They have been active in some of the Social Justice activities and conducted a retreat this year at the Myriam Family retreat home. These slides don't include everything so forgive me if I have missed some things, details are in the report.

Knights also are very active – they host a Men's Faith night, they had a good turn out for family movie night, they have a family of the month, they are highly supportive of the social justice programs, St. Michaels Christmas luncheon, fundraising, donations, I won't list them all they are listed in the report. I just want to let you know that they did give a donation of \$5,000 to the Parish building fund.

Reverence for Life and Refuge committee have slowed down this year. Reverence for Life is beginning to get various activities underway, the Refuge committee is taking a bit of a pause.

Social Justice has been very active, some of their projects include St. Michaels school snack program, school supply program, warm clothing and mitten drive, Christmas hampers, seniors hampers, interchurch sandwich program, shelter supports – ex. Visitation house – they continue to be quite an active committee.

What I'd like to highlight about the Social Justice committee is that it really links to the work that we have been doing as a pastoral council - the commitment of learning about the trc calls to action. Their committee has specifically reached out and have a partnership with Mother Theresa Middle School, if you remember they had an orange rock and poster display in the gathering space – I would like to commend them for looking at what trc looks like for us as a parish. They also did reading together of books by indigenous authors to learn and grow in their education about the trc.

This is not a complete list of all of the ministries, but it gives you a quick highlight of the activities that have been underway this year.

- b. Pastoral Council - Marjorie Ingjaldson (Chairperson) – we are continuing on our vision of Maintenance to Mission – building the kingdom of God. We had been on this mission pre-covid and are continuing on with a goal to grow our parish and bring our faith not just within the community but out into the larger community and inviting folks to join our faith. We have had two primary focuses this year.

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1. The first focus is a common theme heard from all of the committees, slowly return to pre-covid levels - trying to get our volunteers back, build connection and community back into the parish as a whole parish family, a recovery from covid approach. Groups have been returning from Zoom meetings to in person meetings.
2. Second focus of the year reflects the social justice one we just talked about, learning more about trc calls to action. We did as a council review the calls to action and we selected a specific focus; # 59. ***Call to Action #59 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada calls on "church parties to the Settlement Agreement to develop ongoing education strategies to ensure that their respective congregations learn about their church's role in colonization, the history and legacy of residential schools, and why apologies to former residential school students, their families, and communities were necessary."***^[1] ***This motion calls the Anglican Church of Canada to honour this Call to Action, and to go further in this mission by further excavating the Church's connection to systems of racial injustice and resistance to such systems throughout its history***

in order to continue the journey toward dismantling racism.

As a parish we are looking at tangible ways we can take action and really learn and grow as a community. We reached out to Sr. Reanne at the Archdiocesan office to get some guidance as to how to grow this ministry within the parish. Coming soon, we are just trying to set the date, we will be inviting you all to join us for a potluck where we are partnering with Sr. Reaan and some of the members of her ministry in the first nations and metis community where we will learn and have a sharing circle.

We talked about doing some formal education but this is relationship building, it will be a simple potluck where we share a meal and reach out one friend to another, less formal education and more relationship building.

So those have been the two focuses for the pastoral council this past year.

- c. Finance Council – Scott Mantyka (Chairperson) - it is good to see people in person, it is definitely different than looking into my computer screen. We have the financial statements included in the package, what I am going to do is provide an overview that really paints the picture for the financial performance last year and how we are sitting as a parish moving forward. The first big take away is we that we were very strong financially thanks to the generosity of our parishioners. It was another year where we were coming out of covid, we weren't sure what the donations would be and what our baseline would be and again our parishioners blew us away. It continues to be the backbone of our financial operation and we had a small surplus again this last year, with that we have been able to continue making debt repayment and taking those strong stewardship positions and again that is because of the consistency from our parishioners. In that regard I would emphasize that the donations we have been receiving are now more appreciated than ever because obviously inflation is starting to take hold and we are not sure what that is going to look like, so we are really grateful for everything that has been provided and continue to be grateful for that support. This last year we started to see a little bit of an increase in the use of our facilities such as weddings, activities, events and gatherings which was nice as the last couple of years have been zoom orientated and we couldn't see people. The whole purpose of having strong financial stewardship to position us so that when we have activities or other church

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initiatives we can pursue those without having a concern that it is going to impact us - so it is a really good thing that we are seeing an increase in ministries. As Marjorie has indicated we are starting to see everyone get back out into the community, we are starting to see the community come back in and join us in the parish and we are happy to be in a position to be able to support that.

As far as our expenses go the big ones continue to be inflation, life is costing more in general, it is something that everybody sees day to day and the church is no different. We did see an increase in our expenses of about \$25K compared to the prior year and most of that is connected to operations, so things like insurance, utilities and all of those fun things that you get to cover. I always liken it to when I got a house, you kind of learn that the expenses just start and the church is like a very large house so the expenses continue and thanks to Paul and Jason we are on top of those as they come up so that is appreciated. We are also anticipating continued expenses as we go forward with increased activity. Our second priest will be arriving soon so that will be an extra line item on our expenses but at the same time it will help support Father in delivery the services the community needs and that is the goal.

As far as our big transactions this year, it was continued repayment, we were able to make another 161K payment on our debt so we are actually down to a single long term debt item which is the land that the church is on. So, thanks to you, the hard work from the finance council, the generosity of our parishioners, the pushing of Father Rick, we are starting to come out on the other end as far as our long term obligations. Although it's been a very aggressive repayment schedule over the last three years we are starting to see the fruits of that dedication. Moving forward continued costs as expected as far as inflation goes but as a financial council I feel we have done a very good job positioning ourselves and putting the church in a position where we can start to respond to those and ensure that we continue to provide our ministries and services - because at the end of the day that is our priority.

As far as other things we would be remiss to skip recognizing the hard work of Gwen and Peggy they keep this place running day to day from a Financial perspective and they make life easy for all of us on Finance council. I already thanked Tom once so I don't know if I am allowed to do it again ☺ So I'll just thank Jason, he keeps this place operational and the work that they do goes unseen until you stub your toe and then you need Tom or Jason. They have done an excellent job keeping us up to date on fixes and repairs that are needed. I would like to thank Father Rick and Father Brad for providing the vision and the guidance and for helping us to know what direction we should be going in as a finance council. To summarize, it has been a fantastic year, again from the generosity of our parishioners, and we are going to do our best to keep the finances in a position where we can continue to provide for the community. I will open it up to any questions if there are any.

Comment from the floor: Paul – just an observation, but what would be nice with respect to the ministries would be to have a list of names of people that are involved, and if nothing else who I talk to, who do I contact. That would be good to have.

Marjorie – If anyone wants to be involved in Ministries, you can go to the website to view the information there and then contact the office

Motion: Approval of Financial Statements for the fiscal year of 2022 as presented in the meeting package.

Moved: Marian Zerr
Second: Anna Barone
CARRIED

10 **New business:**

Appointment of the Auditor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *Virtus Group Chartered Professional Accountants & Business Advisors LLP* be appointed as the auditor for the 2023 fiscal year.

Moved: **Arlene Kuntz**
 Second: **Carrie Osika**
 CARRIED

11 **Pastoral and Finance Council elections:**

a. Overview of Pastoral Council vacancies:

- Vice Chairperson (2-year term)
- Hospitality (2-year term)
- Ecumenism (2-year term)
- Stewardship (1-year term)
- Members at Large (1- or 2-year term)
- Recording Secretary (appointed)

b. Pastoral Council candidates to be elected by acclamation:

- Sarah France – This position is appointed by the Pastor
- Vice Chairperson (2-year term) – this position will remain vacant
- Hospitality (2-year term) – **Michael Wolfe** by acclamation
- Ecumenism (2-year term) – **Dan Cameron** by acclamation
- Stewardship (1-year term) – this position will remain vacant
- Members at Large (1- or 2-year term) – Farrah Semegen let her name stand
- Recording Secretary (appointed) – this position will remain vacant

Marjorie Ingjaldson will continue as past chair and work with Sarah and support that way

c. Pastoral Council candidates to be appointed:

- Member at Large: **Farrah Semegen**
- Member at Large: **Alda Bouvier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above individuals be appointed to their respective roles on Pastoral Council.

Moved: **Arlene Kuntz**
 Second: **Marg Yano**
 CARRIED

d. Pastoral Council continuing members and representatives:

- Past Chairperson: **Marjorie Ingjaldson**
- Ministry of Care: **Nancy Barks**
- Social Justice: **Janet Stamatinos and Joan Lane**
- Spiritual Development: **Marge Engel**
- Catholic Women's League: **Rosella McGrane**
- Knights of Columbus: **Ken Engel**

e. Pastoral Council positions still seeking nominations:

- Vice Chairperson: (2-year term)
- Stewardship (2-year term)

Item No.	Topic:	Person responsible:
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- o Members at Large (1- or 2-year term)
- f. Financial Elections: Scott Mantyka (Chairperson) – I would first like to recognize the members that agreed to continue on the council for another year.
 - o Peggy Maloney, Recording Secretary
 - o Jason Trehas, Building and Grounds
 - o Paul Schuaerte, continue for another year
- g. Overview of Finance Council vacancies:
 - o Vice-Chair (2-year term)
 - o Members at Large (1-or 2-year term)
 - o Fundraising (2-year term)
 - o Stewardship (2-year term)
- h. Recording Secretary (appointed) Finance Council candidates to be elected by acclamation:
 - o Buildings and Grounds: **Jason Trehas**
 - o Hall and Catering: **Carrie Osika**
 - o Recording Secretary: **Peggy Maloney**
 - o Members at Large (1-or 2-year term): **Jeff Lorenz; Marian Zerr**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above individuals be elected by acclamation to their respective roles on Finance Council.

Moved: **Paul Schuaerte**
 Second: **Victoria Billett**

CARRIED

- i. Finance Council continuing members and representatives:
 - o Past Chairperson: **Shelley Thiel**
 - o Chairperson: **Scott Mantyka**
 - o Financial Administration: **Paul Schuaerte**
 - o Hall and Catering: **Carrie Osika**
- j. Finance Council positions still seeking nominations:
 - o Vice Chairperson (2-year term)
 - o Fundraising (1-year term)
 - o Stewardship (1-year term)
 - o Member at Large (1- or 2-year term)

12 **Closing Prayer**

- Father Brad closed the meeting with a prayer.

13 **Adjournment**

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2022 Annual General Meeting of Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish be adjourned.

Moved: **Marilyn Zerr**
 Second: **Victoria Billett**
 CARRIED

PARISH COUNCILS

2023 Pastoral Council (as of March 2023)

Sarah France (Chair)
Marjorie Ingjaldson (Past Chair)
Dan Cameron (Ecumenism)
Mike Wolf (Hospitality)
Marge Yano (Liturgy Committee Co-Chair)
Arlene Kuntz (Liturgy Committee Co-Chair)
Nancy Barks (Ministry of Care)
Farrah Semegen (Spiritual Development)
Youth (vacant)
Janet Stamatinos (Social Justice Co-Chair)
Joan Lane (Social Justice Co-Chair)
Reverence for Life (vacant)
Stewardship (vacant)
Rukky Abudu-Mardi (Recording Secretary)
Ken Engel (Knights of Columbus)
Rosella McGrane (Catholic Women's League)
Alda Bouvier (Member at Large)
Murray Wright (Member at Large)

2023 Finance Council (as of March 2023)

Scott Mantyka (Chair)
Vacant (Vice-Chair)
Shelly Thiel (Past-Chair)
Gwen Herman (Accounting & Human Resources)
Peggy Maloney (Book keeper / Recording Secretary)
Jason Trehas (Building & Grounds)
Carrie Osika (Hall & Catering)
Paul Schauerte (Finance Administration)
Stewardship (vacant)
Fundraising (vacant)
Marian Zerr (Member at Large)
Jeff Lawrence (Member at Large)

Parish Prayer

Heavenly Father, Source of Life, and giver of all good gifts,
We give you thanks for the gift of life, the gift of our families,
and the gift of our faith community.

Because of faith, hard work, and the generous spirit of so many,
this faith community has grown and flourished.

Hear our prayer of thanksgiving and grant us the grace and courage
to deepen our commitment as your disciples,
‘to make disciples of all nations’
according to the gifts you bestow upon us.

Help each one of us to
respond generously to your invitation to love
and may our discernment lead us to a true fellowship
that inspires us all to love you ever more deeply,
Our God and to share Your Divine Love with one another.

We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

**MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The accompanying financial statements of The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection have been prepared by the Organization's management in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and necessarily include some amounts based on informed judgement and management estimates.

To assist management in fulfilling its responsibilities, a system of internal controls has been established to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements are accurate and reliable and that assets are safeguarded.

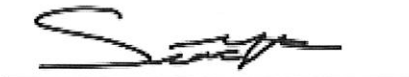
The Finance Council is responsible for reviewing the annual financial statements and meeting with management and external auditors on matters relating to the financial reporting process and the Organization's system of controls.

The Finance Council has reviewed and approved these financial statements.

These financial statements have been examined by the independent auditors, Virtus Group LLP, and their report is presented separately.



Pastor



Finance Chair



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members, The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statements of operations, cumulative surplus and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at December 31, 2023, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many non-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenues from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of revenue was limited to accounting for amounts recorded in the records of the Organization. As a result, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary in respect of revenue, assets, liabilities or cumulative surplus.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Saskatchewan, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditors' Report Thereon

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditors' report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT *continued*

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with CASs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

March 12, 2024
Regina, Saskatchewan


VIRTUS GROUP LLP
Chartered Professional Accountants

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023
with comparative figures for 2022

	ASSETS		2023	2022
	Operating Fund	Capital Fund		
Current Assets				
Cash & cash equivalents (Note 3)	\$ 522,804	\$ -	\$ 522,804	\$ 483,102
Accounts receivable	2,925	-	2,925	1,818
GST receivable	3,640	-	3,640	3,028
Interfund balance	64,106	(64,106)	-	-
Prepaid expenses	34,165	-	34,165	30,622
	<u>627,640</u>	<u>(64,106)</u>	<u>563,534</u>	<u>518,570</u>
Tangible capital assets (Note 4)	<u>-</u>	<u>4,984,854</u>	<u>4,984,854</u>	<u>5,163,451</u>
	<u><u>\$ 627,640</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,920,748</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,548,388</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,682,021</u></u>
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 90,200	\$ -	\$ 90,200	\$ 115,072
Government remittances payable	466	-	466	513
Current portion of deferred revenue (Note 5)	8,043	66,044	74,087	77,972
Current portion of long term debt (Note 6)	-	114,886	114,886	109,291
	<u>98,709</u>	<u>180,930</u>	<u>279,639</u>	<u>302,848</u>
Long-term liabilities				
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	-	1,585,036	1,585,036	1,651,079
Long term debt (Note 6)	-	327,871	327,871	442,822
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,912,907</u>	<u>1,912,907</u>	<u>2,093,901</u>
	<u>98,709</u>	<u>2,093,837</u>	<u>2,192,546</u>	<u>2,396,749</u>
NET ASSETS				
Investment in tangible capital assets	-	2,826,911	2,826,911	2,762,956
Cumulative surplus	528,931	-	528,931	522,316
	<u>528,931</u>	<u>2,826,911</u>	<u>3,355,842</u>	<u>3,285,272</u>
	<u><u>\$ 627,640</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,920,748</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,548,388</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,682,021</u></u>

See accompanying notes

Approved on Behalf of the Board



Director



Director

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CUMULATIVE SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
(with comparative figures for 2022)

	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Capital Fund</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Revenue				
Advertising income	\$ 10,250	\$ -	\$ 10,250	\$ 8,166
Deferred income	-	68,795	68,795	71,661
Donations	184,618	44,020	228,638	237,626
Fundraising	-	6,970	6,970	4,625
Government grants & subsidies	-	-	-	5,486
Hall income	55,224	10,365	65,589	69,029
Loss on disposal of assets	-	(68)	(68)	-
Ordinary collections	447,140	158,900	606,040	568,296
Other income	26,934	12,000	38,934	35,352
	<u>724,166</u>	<u>300,982</u>	<u>1,025,148</u>	<u>1,000,241</u>
Expenses				
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	188,311	188,311	197,538
Diocesan assessment	70,868	-	70,868	67,782
Insurance, fees, rent & taxes	56,770	-	56,770	54,349
Materials, supplies, & services	84,577	4,594	89,171	71,649
Repairs & maintenance	23,282	4,823	28,105	17,904
Utilities	60,677	-	60,677	59,905
Wages, benefits, & contracts	421,377	14,255	435,632	378,975
	<u>717,551</u>	<u>211,983</u>	<u>929,534</u>	<u>848,100</u>
Surplus before interest costs	6,615	88,999	95,614	152,140
Interest costs	-	25,044	25,044	21,110
Surplus for the year	6,615	63,955	70,570	131,030
Cumulative Surplus, beginning of year	522,316	2,762,956	3,285,272	3,154,242
Cumulative Surplus, end of year	<u>\$ 528,931</u>	<u>\$ 2,826,911</u>	<u>\$ 3,355,842</u>	<u>\$ 3,285,272</u>

See accompanying notes

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
(with comparative figures for 2022)

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Operating activities		
Surplus for the year	\$ 70,570	\$ 131,030
Items not involving an outlay (receipt) of cash:		
Loss on Capital Assets	68	-
Amortization	188,311	197,538
	<u>258,949</u>	<u>328,568</u>
Net change in non-cash working capital balances:		
Accounts receivable	(1,107)	(210)
GST receivable	(612)	(134)
Prepaid expenses	(3,543)	2,539
Accounts payable	(24,872)	16,553
Government remittance payable	(47)	54
Cash used in operating activities	<u>228,768</u>	<u>347,370</u>
Investing activities		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(9,782)	-
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(9,782)</u>	<u>-</u>
Financing activities		
Repayment of long term debt	(109,356)	(323,380)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	(69,928)	(72,857)
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(179,284)</u>	<u>(396,237)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	39,701	(48,868)
Cash position, beginning of year	483,102	531,969
Cash position, end of year	<u>\$ 522,804</u>	<u>\$ 483,102</u>

See accompanying notes

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

1. Status and nature of activities

The purpose of The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection (the Organization) is to guide and nurture the spiritual growth of its faithful through worship and education and to seek out and serve the lost.

The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection was decreed by the Archbishop of Regina on August 31, 2000. As a registered charitable foundation under Section 149 (1) of the income tax act, no income taxes are payable on the reported income of such operations.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations which required management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. These estimates are reviewed periodically, and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. The financial statements reflect the following policies:

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include balances with banks and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less.

Fund accounting

The Organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. The operating fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses related to program delivery and administrative activities. The capital fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses related to tangible capital assets and the building campaign.

Financial instruments - recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recorded on the statement of financial position when the Organization becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. All financial instruments are required to be recognized at fair value upon initial recognition, except for certain related party transactions. Measurement in subsequent periods of equity instruments is at fair value. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost adjusted by transaction costs, which are amortized over the expected life of the instrument.

Fair value is the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged at arm's length between willing, unrelated parties in an open market. Changes in fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value are recognized in excess of revenues over expenses.

When there is an indication of impairment and such impairment is determined to have occurred, the carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortized cost is reduced to the greater of the discounted cash flows expected or the proceeds that could be realized from sale of the financial asset. Such impairments can be subsequently reversed if the value subsequently improves.

Tangible capital assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution. Full amortization is recorded in the year the asset is available for use.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

Amortization is provided using the declining balance method over the estimated useful lives of the asset as follows:

Building	4%
Computer equipment	20%
Condominium	4%
Church furniture and equipment	10%
Office and other furniture and equipment	20%
Rectory furniture and equipment	10%
Yard and church work equipment	20%

Revenue recognition

Restricted contributions relating to tangible capital assets are deferred and recognized into revenue on the same basis as the related assets are amortized. Other restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or as a receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Interest is recognized as earned.

Contributions of materials and services

Contributions of materials and services are recognized both as contributions and expenses in the statement of operations and cumulative surplus when a fair value can be reasonably estimated and when the materials and services are used in the normal course of the Organization's operations and would otherwise have been purchased.

Volunteers

Volunteers contribute many hours to assist The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection in carrying out its activities. Because of the difficulty of determining the fair value of their contributions, these services are not reported in the financial statements.

3. Cash and cash equivalents

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Cash		
Canadian accounts	\$ 222,971	\$ 194,801
Short term investments		
Archdiocesan Interparochial Sharing Fund	299,833	288,301
	288,301	288,301
	<u>\$ 522,804</u>	<u>\$ 483,102</u>

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
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4. Tangible capital assets

	2023		2022	
	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value	Net Book Value
Land	\$ 660,638	-	\$ 660,638	\$ 660,638
Building	7,198,097	3,079,613	4,118,484	4,290,087
Computer equipment	27,350	23,669	3,681	5,979
Condominium	266,078	128,593	137,485	143,214
Church furniture and equipment	137,849	101,141	36,708	30,236
Office and other furniture and equipment	233,214	218,522	14,692	17,251
Rectory furniture and equipment	21,571	18,389	3,182	3,535
Yard and church work equipment	58,179	48,195	9,984	12,421
	<u>\$ 8,602,976</u>	<u>\$ 3,618,122</u>	<u>\$ 4,984,854</u>	<u>\$ 5,163,451</u>

5. Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue represents unspent resources that are externally restricted for future events or for tangible capital assets, the most notable being the Phase II campaign.

	2023	2022
Building	\$ 1,630,886	\$ 1,698,838
Future events	8,043	9,178
Rectory	20,194	21,035
	<u>1,659,123</u>	<u>, 1,729,051</u>
Less: current portion	74,087	77,972
	<u>\$ 1,585,036</u>	<u>\$ 1,651,079</u>

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

6. Long-term debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	2023	2022
Archdiocesan Interparochial Sharing Fund (Church Land)	442,757	552,113
	442,757	552,113
Less: maturing within one year	114,886	109,291
	\$ 327,871	\$ 442,822

The loans payable to the Archdiocesan Interparochial Sharing Fund (IPSF) include the following terms and conditions:

- Church land: bears interest at 5%, no principal payment required, however monthly blended payments in the amount of \$11,200 commenced January 2023.

Principal repayments of long term debt payable each year for the next four years are estimated as follows:

Year	Amount
2024	\$ 114,886
2025	120,763
2026	126,942
2027	80,166
TOTAL	\$ 442,757

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE RESURRECTION
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7. Financial instruments

The Roman Catholic Parish of the Resurrection is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis provides a measure of the Organization's exposure and concentrations at the end of the year:

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a party may default on their financial obligations, or if there is a concentration of financial obligations which have similar economic characteristics that could be similarly affected by changes in economic conditions, such that the Organization could incur a financial loss. The Organization is exposed to credit risk with respect to cash, investments and accounts receivable. The Organization manages its credit risk by placing cash and investments with reputable organizations.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Organization may not be able to meet a demand for cash or fund its obligations as they come due or not being able to liquidate assets in a timely manner at a reasonable price. The Organization is exposed to liquidity risk with respect to its investments but manages this risk by holding assets that can be readily converted into cash.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the fair value of financial instruments or future cash flows associated with the instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Organization is exposed to interest rate risk with respect to investments and the long term debt obligation. Fluctuations in interest rates do not have a significant effect on investments or long term debt due to the fact that the interest rates are fixed.
