



Archdiocesan Pastoral Council

Archdiocese of
Grouard-McLennan

Meeting Notables
May 9, 2020

Pastoral Plan 2020—2025

The APC is responsible for developing the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan 2020-2025 and then monitoring the implementation of the actions and strategies. Pastoral Councils and Deanery Councils are asked to make the Pastoral Plan a standing item on their meeting agenda.

At this meeting, we:

- Discussed the Archbishop's view that the principal pastoral needs of the Archdiocese are in youth ministry and faith formation.
- Learned that the Youth Committee and the Faith Formation Committee of the Archdiocese will soon be reconstituted and given new Terms of Reference as they take on more direct roles in youth ministry and faith formation in parishes.
- Acknowledged that the relationship of parish priests and their schools is an important factor in the success of parish youth ministry.

Things to share...

- The Archbishop described and explained The Glass Door Program which is designed to help parishes reach out to parishioners during these difficult days of the COVID-19 restrictions on public gatherings, including for Sunday Mass. Let people know that they will be receiving a letter from the Archbishop and a follow up phone call from a fellow parishioner.
- The cancellation of spring Confirmation celebrations in 2020 will likely mean more flexibility from parishes in choosing a new date when such gatherings are again possible.

WHAT WE DO

The Archdiocesan Pastoral Council is a consultative body for the benefit of the Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan. It is made up of representatives of the clergy, Religious and laity of the Archdiocese.

Our Members

Deaneries 1—5: The Dean and 2 lay representatives from each deanery

Committees: 1 representative and 1 alternate from

- Finance - Communications
- Youth - Faith Formation
- Aboriginal Pastoral - Liturgy
- Vocations

Schools: 1 representative from

- HFCRD - GPCSD

Religious Sisters: 1 representative

CWL: 1 rep and 1 alternate

Knight of Columbus: 1 rep and 1 alt

Cursillo Board: 1 representative

Catholic Family Services: 1 rep

Archbishop's Designate