



Archdiocesan Pastoral Council

Archdiocese of
Grouard-McLennan

Meeting Notables
November 20, 2021

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:

- Learned that Mgr. Charles Lavoie is the new Chairperson of the Archdiocesan Liturgy Committee. Parish workshops on liturgy remain a priority strategy.
- Added a strategy to developing the School-Parish Relationship as a goal for Youth Ministry. The new strategy is presenting a workshop on Parish Ministry Leadership to school administrators.
- Encouraged continuing parish outreach through a Christmas letter mailing from the parish priest, which will also include a Christmas Greeting from Archbishop Pettipas. We also encouraged Archbishop Pettipas to post a video Christmas Greeting on websites and Facebook pages.

Things to share...

- Preparations for the Diocesan Phase of the 2023 Synod of Bishops, *For a Synodal Church: Communion-Participation-Mission*, are well underway. "Listening Gatherings" will be held in our parishes from January 1, 2022 to April 17, 2022. Information about how to be a part of this consultation of the faithful by Pope Francis and the Synod of Bishops will be available on the website, www.archgm.ca. Look for posters and bulletin announcements in your parish over the next several weeks.
- Archbishop Pettipas is working on initiatives for Youth Ministry (a shift to a Youth Minister for the Archdiocese) and Indigenous Ministry in the Archdiocese (establishing a consultative council, Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle).

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.

APC Members

Representatives from these organizations form the APC:

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

Committees: 1 representative and 1 alternate from

- Finance - Communications
- Youth - Faith Formation
- Indigenous 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(s): personally appointed by the Archbishop