



St Bartholomew's Regent Park Annual Vestry Meeting

Sunday, 3 March, 2024

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order at 3.05pm over Zoom

2. Opening Prayers & Comments

3. Election of Chair

- Jonathan Lofft nominated Fr Hannam as 2024 Vestry Chair
 - Seconded by Mackenzie Gilmore
 - Carried

4. Appointment of Vestry Clerk

- Catherine Riddell was appointed by the Chair

5. Approval of Minutes of Vestry 2023

- Motion to approve minutes
 - Moved by Catherine Riddell
 - Seconded by Byron Clarke
 - Carried

6. The Bishops' Letter to Vestries 2024

- Motion to receive letter
 - Moved by Catherine Riddell
 - Seconded by Byron Clark
 - Carried

7. The Vicar's Report

- It has been an encouraging year—Fr Hannam has been Vicar of St Bartholomew's for over ten years, having arrived in August 2013
- In this time there has been tremendous growth in terms of parish size and offerings
- Covid has had a notable impact on the parish—we've lost 27-28 members during this period, but have almost recovered to pre-pandemic levels
- Thanks to its long term parishioners and many new-comers, the parish is in a place of strength and stability
- Motion to accept report
 - Moved by Fr Hannam
 - Seconded by Christian Hegele



- Carried

8. The Diocesan Parish Administrator's Report – Kevin Forrest

- It has been encouraging to see the commitment and growth in giving and human resources in the parish over the last year
- In face of challenges to all faith communities, St Bart's has continued to grow and adapt
- The parish has continued to demonstrate tremendous strength and resilience and has a strong sense of its mandate to expand the community
- While the parish continues under diocesan administration—it is unlike other parishes in this scenario: St Bart's continues to demonstrate its strengths and the parish continues to grow
- Structural issues with the church are ongoing—and this has necessitated structural shoring to be put in place in the church basement and a series of next steps, including the temporary displacement of the St Bart's Children Centre (SBCC)
 - Money is in hand to undertake the next steps and the testing required to determine the next steps to ensure the long term functionality of our space
 - The future work will impact the use of the parish hall for an unknown period and we are hoping to get a better idea of the timeline and ways to mitigate the impact. This work is vital to ensure the long term work of the parish
 - The SBCC will be relocating in the short-term to accommodate this work
 - The children's centre has been notified and there is space available for them at 420 Regent St.
 - The possibility for the SBCC to return is front of mind for the parish
 - Sandy expressed that the SBCC would like the executive to put into writing that the SBCC will be welcomed back into the church hall, following the necessary building works
 - Kevin reported that the parish would be glad to continue all discussions with the SBCC and to look at opportunities for the SBCC to return to the parish hall
 - Next steps will be undertaken in the coming months
 - Questions were raised regarding the possibility of needing to relocate the parish in a more substantial way—this is not anticipated and the parish has not been given any indication of concerns re reinforcing the structure—work will be building on previous temporary shoring work
 - Disruptions to the worship schedule are not anticipated, but there will likely be some disruptions to food ministries and hospitality in the basement when the work is undertaken
- Motion to receive the Diocesan Administrator's report
 - Moved by Jonathan Lofft
 - Seconded by Drew Badgley
 - Carried



- The Chair thanked Kevin for his work and advice over the years!

9. Financial Reports

9.1 The Parish Treasurer's Financial Report and 2023 Audited Financial Statements

- Miles Nagamatsu, the Parish Treasurer, presented the Financial Report and the Audited Financial Statements (included in the Vestry package)
- Motion to receive the Financial Report and to adopt the Audited Financial Statements
 - Moved by Miles Nagamatsu
 - Seconded by Byron Clarke
 - Carried

9.2 The Envelope Secretary's 2023 Report

- Sandy Dawkins, the Parish Envelope Secretary, presented a report (included in the Vestry package)
- Motion to receive the Envelope Secretary's Report
 - Moved Sandy Dawkins
 - Seconded by Catherine Riddell
 - Carried

9.3 Presentation of the 2024 Parish Budget

- The proposed 2024 budget was presented by Miles Nagamatsu
- Motion to adopt budget
 - Moved by Miles Nagamatsu
 - Seconded: Sydney Hegele
 - Carried

10. Diocesan Parish Administrator's Appointments 2024

Music Director	Katherine Hill
Organist	David Hill
Envelope Secretary	Marlone Sandy Dawkins
Treasurer	Miles Nagamatsu
Sexton	Marlone Sandy Dawkins
Property Manager	N/A
Executive Committee Members	Catherine Riddell, Drew Badgley, Miles Nagamatsu, Mackenzie Gilmore

11. Vicar's Appointments 2024

Advisory Board Members	Jonathan Lofft, Veronica Kurran
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Head of the Servers' Guild	Bob Buckland Jr
Hospitality Coordinator	
Parish Secretary	Kerry Dickson
Parish Web Master	Kerry Dickson

12. Parish Elections 2024

Advisory Board Members (2)	Jean Giroux, Christian Hegele, Jesse Billet
Parochial Tribunal (2)	Mackenzie Gilmore and Jean Giroux
Convenor of Sidespersons	Mackenzie Gilmore
Lay members of Synod Alternative	N/A
Lay member of Synod	Catherine Riddell

13. Diocesan Social Justice Motion

- Several members of the parish expressed interest in discussing the motion in greater detail, before having a vote
- General discussion was undertaken regarding the importance of increased access to housing in the city of Toronto and the diocese

14. Contractor, Volunteer, and Committee Reports

- Reports were included in the Vestry Package for review
- Motion to receive reports.
 - Moved by Jonathan Lofft
 - Seconded by Deborah McGinnis
 - Carried

15. Motion from the floor

Whereas SBCC is an honored part of the parish and whereas current uncertainties entail the temporary disruption of its operations, the parish offers this resolution in support of SBCC, honouring its place in the life of the parish and community and assures SBCC of a future welcome at S. Bart's.

- Moved by Jonathan Lofft
 - Seconded by Deborah McGinnis
 - Unanimously carried

16. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn.
 - Moved by Jonathan Lofft
 - Seconded by Catherine Riddell
 - Carried