



Holy Myrrhbearers

ORTHODOX MISSION

Annual Parish Assembly Sunday 27 January 2019

1. **Opening prayer**

The meeting was opened with prayer.

2. **Adoption of agenda**

The proposed agenda was accepted.

3. **Minutes approved**

The minutes from the previous Parish Assembly on 28 January 2018 were approved.

4. **Rector's report**

Fr Geoffrey Ready gave a report on the growth and development of the mission in its second full year, focusing on the six ministry areas: worship, hospitality, teaching, service, stewardship, and administration. In each area he mentioned accomplishments to date and plans for the coming year. This includes the launch of Myrrhbearers Traditional Christian Burial Society and the St Hermione Lay Pastor Visitors programme, and exploration of prison ministry opportunities in conjunction with St Silas Orthodox Prison Fellowship. Lay leadership is required for each of the six ministry areas. Fr Geoffrey welcomed the appointment of Peter Drobac into the new paid position of choir director, a significant move forward in our core ministry of offering beautiful Orthodox worship in English in Toronto.

5. **Financial report for 2018**

Treasurer Alexandra Cumby presented reports on the mission finance for 2018 (see attached). She noted the total income of \$66,986 and expenses

of \$58,064, leaving a net income for the year of \$8,922. The balance sheet showed total assets as of 31 December 2018 of \$30,245 and total equity of \$24,967. Archdiocesan support (at 10% of general expenditure) amounted to \$5,279 for the year. She noted that there has been some change in the donor makeup: the number of active donors has dropped by 13%, and donations from key donors made up 73% of our income. There has been a slight increase in anonymous donations. Expenses were fairly stable, though rent expense increased because the first half of 2017 had been free. Some rent is also paid for additional services. Alexandra also noted that HST rebates of approximately \$1,700.00 would be received in 2019. After some discussion, the finance reports were adopted unanimously.

6. **Budget for 2019**

Fr Geoffrey presented a budget for 2019 consisting of a modest increase on the average rate of donations and expenses (see attached). The budget, along with a recommendation that the parish council continue to operate flexibly depending on offerings during the year, was adopted unanimously. It was also agreed that those involved in the stewardship ministry, which Deacon Yuri Hladio accepted to coordinate, would encourage everyone in the parish to give of their time, talent, and treasure, so that the burden on a few key donors could be spread out.

7. **Election of parish council**

Fr Geoffrey presented the following slate of officers for election:

First Warden: Louise Neville
Second Warden: Vlad Vassilovski
Treasurer: Alexandra Cumby
Secretary: Irene Cassar

The slate of officers was elected unanimously.

8. **Election of auditing committee**

For the auditing committee to support Alexandra as treasurer, Father Geoffrey proposed that Shaun Cumby and Joseph Clarke remain, with Christy Whitby replacing Ellen Sellstrom. That slate was elected unanimously.

9. **Hosting of Archdiocesan Council on May 16-18, 2019**

Fr Geoffrey announced that the archdiocesan council, effectively the board

of directors for the diocese, would be meeting at the University of Toronto in May, hosted by our mission. There was some discussion of hospitality and catering plans for the event.

10. **Other upcoming events**

Father Geoffrey made a few announcements about upcoming events:

- On Sunday, March 3, 2019, there will be an OCF banquet, and Father Philip is being invited to speak
- Every Friday in Lent we will have Pre-Sanctified Liturgy with Lenten meal afterward
- Sunday 17 March, the first Sunday during Lent is the Pan-Orthodox Vespers at St Volodymyr's Ukrainian Orthodox Church — this is a crucial occasion to show our support for unity in the Orthodox Church; also a pan-Orthodox English choir under Peter Drobac's direction will be singing for the first time
- On Saturday 13 April, there will be a retreat in Oshawa where both Father Geoffrey and Deacon Yuri will be speaking
- Fr John Behr will be visiting the week following the archdiocesan council in May

11. **Closing prayer**

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Holy Myrrhbearers Orthodox Mission
Income Statement
 January - December 2018

Donations	2018	2017
Tax-Receipted	52,643	48,847
Canada Helps	10,639	7,407
Anonymous	3702.95	2645.00
Total Donations	66,986	58,898

Expenses	2018	2017
Payroll	38,627	31,934
Tithe	5,279	4,734
Rent	4,520	2,373
Assembly/council	2,747	2,364
Ecclesiastical Insurance	1,803	1,685
Liturgical expenses - capital	1,258	2,782
Liturgical supplies	885	486
Visitor expenses	658	2,505
Operational expenses	651	1,419
Choir supplies	391	426
Educational expenses	327	770
Office supplies	388	2,133
Fellowship expenses	474	656
Miscellaneous expenses	57	127
Total Expenses	58,064	54,393

Net Income	8,922	4,506
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Balance Sheet
 January - December 2018

Assets	2018	2017
BMO chequing acct	28,517	22,389
HST rebate receivable	1,728	1,160
Total Assets	30,245	23,549

Liabilities & Equity		
Payroll liabilities	0	3,338
2018 Archdiocesan tithe	5,279	4,734
Total Liabilities	5,279	8,072
Net assets	15,477	9,671
Net income	8,922	4,506
HST rebate	568	1,160
Adjustment	0	140
Equity	24,967	15,477
Total Liabilities & Equity	30,245	23,549

Holy Myrrhbearers Orthodox Mission Budget January to December 2019

Income

Donations	69,331.00	
HST rebate	1,728.00	
Total		71,059.00

Expenses

Payroll	44,800.00	
Trinity College rent	5,876.00	
Insurance	1,990.32	
Internships	2,000.00	
Website	600.00	
Liturgical supplies	1,000.00	
Office supplies	250.00	
Choir supplies	450.00	
Vestments	2,000.00	
Fellowship supplies	700.00	
Visitors	1,000.00	
Archdiocesan tithe	6,066.63	
Total		66,732.95

Net Income 4,326.05