

VTMS NEWS

DINNER DANCE

The VTMS dinner dance which was held at Our Lady Of Fatima Hall on 16th June was a resounding success. SBahn the live band which has played at all of our dinner/dances put on a stellar performance and are looking forward to returning for the next one. We wish to thank all those who attended and all those who helped in preparing the hall, the meal, cleaning-up and were involved in any way with organizing and running the event. To those who did not attend I hope you will come to the next one as you missed a fun filled occasion for family and children and a chance knit our community even closer together.

The dinner raised a further \$1700 for our building fund and to date the VTMS has raised close to \$6500 with these dinner/dances for the Divine Mercy Quasi Parish.

VTMS 2001 Annual General Meeting

The VTMS Annual General Meeting was held on 23rd June at Holy Spirit Parish hall. The AGM was kept low key this year because of the large number of events scheduled for the month of June.

We began with the Rosary in Latin, followed by a Low Mass said by Fr. Ryan and then proceeded to the hall for the actual meeting:

- Fr. Ryan, the spiritual director for the VTMS, opened with a prayer;
- Minutes of the 1999 AGM were read by David Reid;
- Ellie Raeder gave a membership report. We presently have 99 memberships however the actual number of members is larger since a number are family memberships;
- David Reid gave his report as Communications Director. The format of the Newsletter was reviewed: — it offers —local news, international Church news, encyclicals and Church documents, traditional Church teaching and it serves as a resource for other groups outside the Vancouver Diocese. We have been in contact with groups in Victoria, in the BC interior and in Alberta all wishing to establish the Traditional Mass in their areas.
- Lynn Reid presented the Treasurer's report. It was observed that the member donations do not cover our commitment to the F.S.S.P. and the Society of Christ the King and we will have to some fundraisers and also encourage our members to donate for these most worthwhile of causes.
- Moira Garneau presented the President's report. We have obtained the Divine Mercy Quasi Parish and have a permanent Priest — Fr. Ryan from the F.S.S.P.. We now have daily and Sunday Masses. We have held three successful dinner dances with the most recent netting over \$1700 for the Parish. We continue supporting three

Seminarians. We have been blessed with visits from both Fr. Devillers and Fr. Carr. Work continues with helping others to establish the Traditional Mass in their areas.

- Fr. Ryan gave a spontaneous talk on the beauty of the Traditional Liturgy and the need to preserve the all-important signs which helps preserve and foster true belief in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
- Elections were then held and the slate was elected by acclamation. See previous article for the board of Directors make-up.
- A special vote of thanks was taken for our two Altar Servers who show up for daily Mass, for Michael Janek one of our directors who will be moving to Ottawa in August and to Mazoe Kaufman another Director who served for the past year.
- Fr. Ryan closed the meeting with a Prayer.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

The VTMS wishes to express their deepest sympathy and offer their prayers for the repose of the soul of Mr. John Dayne. A member of our Traditional community who recently died.

In paradisum deducant te Angeli: in tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres, et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem.

F.S.S.P. Retreat

The annual retreat of the F.S.S.P. begins in early July and Fr. Ryan will be on retreat in Lincoln Nebraska from the 9 — 13 July. He will then be on holidays in Ontario until 2nd August. There will be no daily Mass during this period but Sunday Mass will be offered by Fr. Ashley at the usual time.

Divine Mercy Project Advance Update

Dur Quasi Parish has been accessed \$2,000 for Project Advance and we have \$18,109.82 pledged. The excess will be returned by the Diocese to our Quasi Parish, and our understanding is that this will constitute the start of our building fund.