



CO-RESPONSIBILITY IN A PARISH

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	PASTOR (or MANDATED PASTORAL TEAM)	FABRIQUE
<p>A consultative body to and in co-responsibility with the Pastor, whose objective is to provide leadership, direction, education, resources and encouragement in the parish's accomplishment of their mission as expressed under the four poles of church life: liturgy, faith formation, fellowship and transformation of society in accordance with the vision of the church of Gatineau-Hull</p>	<p>The cleric entrusted with the administration of the parish in accordance with the canon law of the Roman Catholic Church (and the lay persons specifically mandated by the Bishop to share the pastoral workload).</p>	<p>An ecclesiastical corporation whose object is to acquire, possess, hold, and administer property for the practice of the Roman Catholic religion in the parish for which it is constituted (c.F-1: Act respecting Fabriques, Section 13). The Fabrique operates in accordance with the Act and Diocesan policies and guidelines (wardens elected by parishioners; chairpersons appointed by the Bishop).</p>
<p>To accomplish its role, it is incumbent upon the Parish Pastoral Council to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deepen and assist the parish in deepening its vision of Church by: considering the need for evangelization; recognizing the four characteristics of church life as a means of ensuring that parish actions are balanced and concrete; 2. Understand and make known the Christian community, taking in consideration the diversity that exists and the different needs; ensure the distribution of the information; 3. Evaluate the pastoral activities and communicate the results to the parish; 4. Propose pastoral orientations to the parish and encourage their implementation on short, middle or longer term basis; 5. Ensure that volunteers are recognized and validated; 6. Collaborate and cooperate with the Fabrique and Pastor (or Mandated Pastoral Team); 7. Work in communion with the Archbishop of Gatineau-Hull 	<p>To accomplish its role, it is incumbent upon the Pastor (or Mandated Pastoral Team) to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guide the parish with appropriate ministries and services so that it can carry out the Church's mission 2. Animate the parish by: discerning the gifts and talents of parishioners; facilitating dialogue; encouraging participation; promoting the co-responsibility in parish; validating the volunteers; 3. Ensure that the pastoral responsibilities are shared in a spirit of cooperation and that decisions are taken in a collegial manner as it is with the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC); 4. Be a member of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Fabrique; 5. Work in communion with the Archbishop of Gatineau-Hull 	<p>To accomplish its role, it is incumbent upon a Fabrique to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know and understand the pastoral orientation and needs of the parish; 2. Elaborate financial and administrative plans and controls that will assist the realization of parish pastoral priorities as well as the essential administrative and maintenance requirements; 3. Collaborate and co-operate with the PPC and the Pastor (or Mandated Pastoral Team); 4. Work in communion with the Archbishop of Gatineau-Hull

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“A diocese is a portion of the people of God which is entrusted to a bishop for him to shepherd with the cooperation of the presbyterium, so that, adhering to its pastor and gathered by him in the Holy Spirit through the gospel and the Eucharist, it constitutes a particular church in which the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church of Christ is truly present and operative.” (Can. 369)

*Roman Catholic Bishop Act, R.S.Q., c.E-17
Act respecting Fabriques, R.S.Q., c.F.-1*