# St. John XXIII at St. Nicolas de Flue Parish Administrative Council Vicariate Liaison Report for 2016

Name: Craig Steven Titus Position: Vicariate Liaison

### Description of function

- o facilitate communications with the vicariate in Geneva (Eglise catholique à Genève--ECG), especially with Pascal Desthieux (Episcopal Vicar), Michel Colin (Chancellor), and Dominique Pittet (General Secretary), as needed.
- o facilitate communications with the diocesan offices in Fribourg and with Mgr. Charles Morerod, as needed.

#### Accomplishments

- Michel Colin (Chancellor) met with Fr. Paul and a search committee (Fr Paul, Michael Wilson, Alistair Davidson, Roy Ryan, and Craig Titus) to acknowledge the fruits apparent in the parish in the light of Fr. Paul's ministry. Mr. Colin then made a recommendation to the Pascal Desthieux, who recommended that Mgr. Morerod name Fr. Friel parish priest.
- The parish has conformed to the schedule of Sunday collections as required by the Diocese. We have contributed to 21 different charitable works of the Catholic Church at diocesan, Swiss, international, and pontifical levels (See St. John XXIII Parish Outreach Report 2016 for details).
- o After having paid off the bridge loan (December 2015), we have made the needed repayments to the parish debts to the Vicariate and the Mission Interior.
- Because of the financial implications of our renovation project, we have been freed from the obligation to make further financial contributions to the diocese, at the present time.
- The Vicariate has agreed to repay 50% of the parish expenses to cover Fr. Richard's sabbatical.
- Vicariate will reimburse the expenses of and stipends for priests who aid Fr. Friel, to a maximum of 3,000CHF each month.
- We have received continuing support from the Diocese and the Vicariate. Bishop Charles Morerod, Episcopal Vicar Pascal Desthieux, and the Vicariate staff have been especially helpful in a range of practical and pastoral matters.

## Challenges

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#### ■ Targets for 2017/18

- Continue good communications with Pascal Desthieux, the rest of the Geneva vicariate, and the larger diocese.
- o Prepare report for the use of the MI funds on the church building.
- o Renegotiate the holiday for contributions to the vicariate (annual).
- Continue negotiations and communication with the General Secretary, Dominic Pittet, in regard to parish loans.

Respectfully submitted, Craig Steven Titus May 31, 2017