

# GLOSSARY

The Statutes adopted in 2005 by the Diocese of Lausanne, Geneva and Fribourg establish a new structure for all parishes, with new instruments and guidelines. The following definitions are intended to clarify the terms used in these Statutes and apply them as far as possible to our linguistic parish, Pope John XXIII.

## **Unité Pastorale / Pastoral Unit (UP)**

The Unité Pastorale is a group of parishes located in the same vicinity and united to provide an appropriate structure for carrying out the pastoral mission of the diocese. Each Unité Pastorale is headed by a Curé Modérateur, who assists the Bishop in naming an Equipe Pastorale made up of clergy and lay persons of the Unité Pastorale. Each Pastoral Unit also establishes its own administrative bodies including an administrative council.

### ***John XXIII***

Our Parish is included in the Unité Pastorale of Nations/St-Jean, but the extent to which we are able to fully operate within the UP's directives is obviously limited because of our differing linguistic priorities and needs. The intention is that communication with the UP be via the representative of the Parish designated by the Pastoral Team.

## **Equipe Pastoral / Pastoral Team**

Within the Unité Pastorale, the Pastoral Team is a group of persons (the curé modérateur, priests, deacons, pastoral agents, laypersons, volunteers) named by the Bishop to assume or participate in the pastoral charge of the UP. Its mission is to pursue the triple mission of the Church as conferred by Christ: Proclamation of the Good News; Celebration of the Faith; Service to the Community. The Pastoral Team is the expression of the co-responsibility and of the participation of all baptized members in the life and mission of the Church, in a spirit of communion.

### ***John XXIII***

Our Parish's Pastoral Team is composed of our two priests and laypersons (minimum 2; maximum 5), who ensure that the priorities identified by the Parish Pastoral Council conform with the pastoral guidelines of the Equipe Pastorale of the Unité Pastorale.

### **Curé Modérateur / Parish Pastor**

The head of the Equipe Pastorale is named “Curé Modérateur” by the diocesan Bishop. He oversees pastoral tasks with the other members of the Equipe Pastorale, in conformity with the Word, in communion with the universal Church and within the spirit of diocesan pastoral orientations. The Curé Modérateur also works in conjunction with the Administrative Council of the UP to manage effectively the administration of the UP, and to make sure funds are made available for pastoral needs. He maintains a relationship with the Episcopal Vicariate and manages communication.

#### ***John XXIII***

In our Parish, the Pastor is the Curé Modérateur. He oversees the Pastoral Team and ensures that the priorities identified by the PPC are carried out in conformity with those of the wider UP. He participates in the administrative and financial decisions of the PAC, and in a spirit of community shares the pastoral tasks with the Assistant Pastor to enable the pastoral mission of the Parish to be fulfilled.

### **Répondant de la paroisse désigné par l'Equipe Pastorale / Representative of the Parish appointed by the Pastoral Team.**

In the larger Unité Pastorale, where many parishes do not have a designated priest, this person is selected to liaise directly with the Unité Pastorale and the Equipe Pastorale to ensure that the parish pastoral concerns conform to the mission of the larger Equipe Pastorale of the Unité Pastorale.

#### ***John XXIII***

In our Parish, this representative has always been the Pastor who is the best informed on the pastoral, administrative and liturgical aspects of the Parish.