

Diocese of Huron

GUIDELINES FOR CLERGY AND CHURCHWARDENS

THE USE OF ALCOHOL IN PARISH HALLS

1. No alcohol shall ever be used in parish hall activities except in strict conformity with Government regulations including the obtaining of proper permits.
2. Although it is not recommended that the use of alcohol become a frequent feature of activities held in the parish hall, liquor, wine or beer may be served in the parish halls on an occasional basis: wedding receptions, anniversary celebrations, parish parties, etc. On such occasions the moderate use by all present must be safeguarded. Alternative beverages should always be available without embarrassment for those who cannot or do not wish to consume alcoholic beverages.
3. It is recommended that the use of alcohol by outside organizations using the parish hall be **NOT** permitted. However, under exceptional circumstances the discretion of the Diocesan Bishop should be sought.
4. It is recommended that Parish Council require all organizations to comply with the above Guidelines.
5. None of the preceding Guidelines shall be construed as to remove from the Rector and Parish Council, control over functions being held in their respective parishes.

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