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CANON 22 THE QUEBEC DIOCESAN GAZETTE

1. The Quebec Diocesan Gazette (Gazette) shall be the diocesan newspaper of the Diocese of Quebec.
2. The Gazette shall be published by Synod of the Diocese of Quebec, ten (10) times in each calendar year, and overseen by the Gazette Board.
3. The mandate of the Gazette shall be to serve as a means of encouragement, communication, and community building among the regions of the Diocese, with special emphasis on regional activities and matters of concern for both laity and clergy. It shall provide an opportunity for the bishop to address the people of the Diocese directly and seek to cover items from outside the Diocese that bear on its corporate life.
4. The Gazette shall provide a channel for information and a forum for discussion. The Gazette shall be encouraged to express a wide range of opinion within the Diocese and shall enjoy editorial independence.
5. The editor of the Gazette, whose duties and responsibilities shall be outlined in a position description, shall be appointed by the Diocesan Bishop in consultation with the elected members of the Gazette Board and upon their recommendation.
6. The Gazette Board shall consist of four (4) regular members, with the Diocesan Bishop and the editor as members *ex officio*. The regular members shall be elected by the Members of Synod and shall serve for a period of two Ordinary Synods. One-half of the regular membership is to be elected at each Ordinary Synod. One-half of the Board elected at the 2003 Synod will only serve until the next Ordinary Synod to allow this term of office to take effect. In the event of a vacancy on the Board, the Bishop shall appoint, within three months, a replacement to fill the vacancy and complete the term. The Board shall elect a Chairperson from among its members. The Board shall meet at least twice each calendar year. Further consultations may be held electronically, by teleconferencing or other means.

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7. The Gazette Board shall submit a written report to the Diocesan Executive Council spring meeting and to each ordinary Synod. A summary of the report shall be published in the following issue of the Gazette for public comment.

8. The Gazette Board shall receive comments and suggestions, submitted in writing, concerning the Gazette, and conduct a regular evaluation of its performance.

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