

Parrish Priest.

Fr Ponlin
all south of
Reserve

St Theresa
Parrish

Blood Reserve

Fr. Dufame
administrator of school only.
has no parrish.

Fr. Joly parrish priest
to whole reserve
Stanoff White Caphall

All part of Calgary Diocese
which is body corporate for
whole area under

R.C. Bp of Calgary (about 55 yrs ^{old.}) Met Bp 3 PM June 23

Address local letters to

Fr Ponlin

St Theresa's Parrish

Box 788

Cardston

Take Fr Ponlin to
Harrisville 9 AM Sat

address Diocese

R C Bishop of Calgary

Diocese of Calgary

Calgary

Re St Stephens Church Harrisville Sub-Div ^{#5} (Diocese?) ⁱⁿ Sec 2 TP2 R24

① From Father Labornie's journal " On Dec 4 1900 6 wagons
went to Macleod for lumber to build church. Stayed overnight

at Macleod Mission (run by Oblate Fathers)

② There are over 40 graves in the church yard 13 of
which 1914 to 1925 period.

③ original benches thought to be in Lutheran Church check
with Mick Zubeck

④ roof may need plywood under shingles.

Cardston priest cited for record of service to natives, community

The Cardston and District Historical Society recently gained provincial support for preservation of the first church in the area, St. Stephen's Catholic Church at Harrisville, built in 1901 and moved to its present location near the Old North Indian Trail in 1907. In tracing the history of the lay church, society members became intrigued with the work of Father Philippe Poulin, OMI, of Cardston, in whose parish the historic church is located. "The sterling qualities of this quiet good citizen . . . prompted the historical society to nominate Father Poulin for special recognition," explains Leo Stutz, society vice-president. (Accordingly, the following account of Father Poulin's life and work was published in a recent issue of the Cardston area weekly newspaper, The Westwind News.

ville area.

1891 Father J. B. Moin's large colony.

Shortly after I had written the other letter to you, Bishop Paul asked me to go to his office for a talk. There he told me the good news that a Mormon gentleman is helping you with the business regarding getting the Harrisville Church (St. Stephen's) recognized as an Historic Site.

He also told me that the people down there are anxious to put an article about you in the Cardston paper and asked me if I would try to write something for the article. I shall certainly be very pleased to do this and hope you will be able to give me an outline - a CURRICULUM VITAE - as a guide. e.g. where you were born and when; names of your parents; how many in their family; your education, ordination and places you have served as a priest. Especially too I would like to know some facts about your illness from which you made so courageous a recovery and come-back. Any little personal anecdotes, such as your trip to Quebec last year for the multi-celebrations with the Cardinal and the Jubilees, episcopal ordinations, etc.

In reply to your recent letter I wrote to you sending you a copy of LOCAL HISTORIC SITE GRANT APPLICATION (PART 1), asking you to complete it as well as you could and return it to me so that I could fill in the other sections and send it to Alberta Culture, Edmonton, as the first step in getting a grant for the Harrisville Church restoration. If you are having any difficulty with the Form, I would be glad to know so that I may be able to help you in this matter.

The original Title to the Harrisville property was in the name of the Diocese of St. Albert. It was transferred to ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF CALGARY and a new title issued on March 16, 1915, covering 40 acres and described as L.S.5/2/2/26 W.4. Several annotations over the years indicate that the extent of the property has been reduced, for road allowance, etc. but it is otherwise intact.

The history of the Cardston Parish is well done and is very much appreciated.

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St. Stephen's

Parish or Mission *St. Stephen's, Cardston*
(*the Mormon Harrisville former*)
J.M.S. [Signature]

To Most Reverend Francis P. Carroll,
Bishop of Calgary.

Following is my report of the Assets and Liabilities of this parish or Mission as at December 31st 1957, viz:

ASSETS

	Cost	Estimated or Assessed Value
<u>Land:</u> <i>Legal subdivision 5. in section 2. Township 2 Range 26. W.4th meridian.</i>		
Frontage <i>40 acres originally. donated by the Department for church purposes. Now divided in three.</i>	\$	<i>Nothing before the question of property to be settled first to be known when the 27.000 38</i>
<i>40 acres originally. donated by the Department for church purposes. Now divided in three.</i>	\$	<i>Share been paid by John Olyshasky and transfer legal title</i>
<u>Cemetery:</u> <i>1: 27 acres 38 South for the road taken over by the Department for church property proper. North</i>	\$	<i>nothing</i>
<i>included in the Ladies' in 10 acres</i>	\$	

	Date of Construction	Cost	Estimated Value	Value of Contents
<u>Buildings:</u>				
Church Re. Building 16x18	<i>First Church in 1899. I think.</i>	\$	\$	\$
Residence addition 10x10	<i>rebuilt May/June 1907.</i>	\$	<i>to day 500 dollars</i>	<i>175 dollars</i>
Hall	<i>I know I was there</i>	\$	\$	\$
Outbuildings		\$	\$	\$