

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) FOR THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GUILDFORD (CPG)

Held at St Joseph's Cafe, Denmark Road, Guildford, on Tuesday 31st October 2017

Attendees:

Mgr Tony Barry (MTB)	
Fr Roy Waters (RW)	
Fr Sebastian Paul (SP)	
Mr Daniel Lintott (DL)	St Joseph's
Mr Sean Evans (SE)	St Joseph's
Mrs Collette Melly (CM)	St Pius X
Mr Errol Antao (EA)	St Mary's
Mr Gerard Dyson (GD)	St Edward's
Mrs Veronica Bilbé (VB)	St Edward's

Invitees:

Mrs Aseel Gilbert (AG)	Youth and Family Co-ordinator
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Serial	Item	Action
	Opening Prayer MTB gave the opening prayer.	
1	Welcome DL welcomed everyone to the PPC meeting, which commenced at 8:00pm.	
2	Apologies for absence Mervyn Burby (St Pius) and Joseph Chan (St Mary's)	
3	Minutes of Meeting held on 16th August 2017 DL approved the minutes of the last meeting, without any amendments.	
4	Updates on PPC actions MTB stated that the Parish newsletter would include a separate page for the liturgical celebrations during the week and the Sunday Mass readings. This will allow additional space in the newsletter for Parish and Church notices. MTB agreed that the PPC section of the CPG website could be updated with the members of the PPC, the Parish Pastoral Plan	

	<p>and the minutes of meetings.</p> <p>The following actions were closed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish newsletter and communications; • Presentation on Parish Pastoral Plan; and • Attendance of Clergy at PPC meetings. 	
5	<p>Agree Amendments to the Parish Pastoral Plan</p> <p>It was agreed that the four objectives of the Parish Pastoral Plan (Worship, Community, Formation and Outreach) would be reduced to three to ensure alignment with those of A&B Diocese (Mission, Prayer and Formation).</p> <p>MTB would consider re-designing the Parish newsletter so that the Parish and Church notices were listed under the objectives of the Parish Pastoral Plan i.e. Mission, Prayer and Formation. This would help foster and promote one Parish.</p>	
6	<p>The Word Who is Life</p> <p>The PPC was provided with a hard copy of Bishop Richard’s presentation on “The Word Who is Life”. DL agreed to circulate an electronic copy of the presentation to all members of the PPC.</p> <p>The presentation consisted of quotations from Scripture and the Catechism, the times in which we live, the falling number of priests and the future of the Diocese.</p> <p>MTB would incorporate the quotations from Scripture and the Catechism in the overhead projector slides that are shown before each Sunday Mass.</p> <p>MTB stated that a Deanery response to the questions raised in the presentation would be given to Bishop Richard in February 2018. In preparing the Deanery response, an evening would be held at St Joseph’s with facilitated discussion groups to answer the questions. MTB will ask Pat Jones to be the facilitator at the evening.</p> <p>Parishioners who will be invited to attend, will be those involved with the Liturgy, Sacramental programmes, Over 50 Group, St Vincent de Paul Charity, the Catenians and Heads of local Catholic schools.</p> <p>Following the discussion evening, the PPC will assess the best methods of involving other Parishioners to respond to the questions raised in Bishop Richard’s presentation.</p>	<p>DL</p> <p>MTB</p> <p>MTB</p>

7	<p>Outreach AG provided an update on Youth and Family. The Light party in October was well attended and a success.</p> <p>Rowy, the new full time Youth Worker has settled in to life in the Parish. Her details have been added to the clergy and staff section of the CPG website.</p> <p>National Youth Sunday would be held on Sunday 26th November. AG explained that there would be a speech and a second collection for the Youth ministry after each Mass.</p>	
8	<p>Induction Mass MTB explained that an order of service will be printed for the induction Mass and a cake provided for the celebration afterwards.</p> <p>Participants from across all the Church communities would be invited to take part in the service; musicians, readers and welcomers are needed. Fr Roy was responsible for organising the Choir and music.</p> <p>MTB commented that local dignitaries, for example the Mayor of Guildford, had been invited to attend the Induction Mass.</p> <p>AG explained that the Youth groups will be responsible for preparing St Joseph's Hall for the celebration after Mass and would also serve food and drinks. Assistance at the end of the evening to tidy up would be appreciated.</p> <p>GD agreed that he would organise a professional photographer to takes photos of the celebration in the St Joseph's Hall.</p> <p>It was agreed that approximately 30 seats in the Church would be reserved for visiting clergy.</p>	
9	<p>Agree date for next meeting The next PPC meeting would be on 4.12.17 at St Edward's.</p>	
10	<p>Any Other Business There was no other business.</p>	
	<p>Closing Prayer MTB led the closing prayer.</p>	