

SACRED HEART PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, 12 March 2020

TIME: 7.30pm

LOCATION: Parish hall

ATTENDEES : Fr Paul, Jan Hughes, Maggie Wood, Penny Withey, Michael Hoyle, Mike Coleman, Joseph Sharp, , Laura Yarnold, Joan Kent, Daniel Kent, Helena Ranson; Clair Burroughs

APOLOGIES: Andrea Waltham,

OPENING PRAYER:

Father, We thank you for the opportunity to gather today.

May everything we do begin with your inspiration and continue with your help.

We ask your guidance throughout this meeting, that all of our thoughts and actions would reflect your holy will, and that you would grant us the grace to love you and our neighbours more perfectly.

We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

AGENDA ITEMS		
AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION	TO BE PRESENTED BY	NOTES AND ACTION ITEMS
1. Divine Renovation Course 9:45am for 10am start - 4pm English Martyrs Parish, Reading, Berkshire.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Saturday 28th March 2020 – Refocus on Parish Renewal in 2020 Event The Divine Renovation UK Connect team are gathering together parish teams to spend the day with Divine Renovation Connect to help you through the transformation towards being a more Mission-focused parish. The day will include worship, a talk from a parish in leadership coaching, and the opportunity to learn from other parishes so that you can plan goals for your parish. The day will include lunch, worship, a talk from a parish in leadership coaching, opportunities to connect with and learn from other parishes, time for your team to set 6 month goals and a time of prayer to the Holy Spirit. For more information and to book, please go to the Divine Renovation website – https://divinerenovationuk.churchsuite.co.uk/events/liydyf7y Volunteers - Claire, Joseph, Helena, Penny and Ann Marie Tickets – Jan to confirm if she has been able to purchase the tickets.
2. PPC Questionnaire		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Feedback and questions

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<p>3. Year of the WORD – Celebrating Gods Word events</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible in one year APP (Nicky Gumbel & Alpha (promote and encourage parishioners to download) This needs to be in the newsletter and Fr Paul to mention in mass. • Bible in One Year is a free Bible reading app with commentary by Nicky and Pippa Gumbel. Nicky Gumbel is the Vicar of HTB in London and pioneer of Alpha. People can download it here: https://www.bibleinoneyear.org/ • Bible blessing special Mass and Carmelites - 19 June - 7.30. • Monsignor Matija – awaiting his reply but aiming for early July. How does the PPC want the evening to be organised. Its noted they want a discussion like an evening with Monsignor and questions and answers? So format would be a short mass beforehand and then in the homily slot for him to talk about his faith, why he joined the priesthood, his accomplishments etc, his book hes writing? • Pilgrimage to Winchester Cathedral - September 26th-27th 2020, the Scripture Tour will be coming to Winchester Cathedral! - http://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/the-god-who-speaks/word-on-the-road/ <p>Follow up any further progress on how logistically we would do this? Mike C to check he could drive mini bus and Jan to check cost of hiring coach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Dominican Sisters are offering to come to parishes for one evening to help everyone grow in knowledge and love of the Bible – JK has reached out to Sr Hyacinthe to do an evening in Sept / Oct, will keep updated once I get dates • Promote the Readers Workshop the Diocese is running - two workshops of three hours each, which offer Liturgical, Biblical and practical formation for all readers and aspiring readers.

		<p>On completion of the two workshops, the participants are awarded a diocesan Recognition.</p> <p>Readers Workshop could be held at Hook – JH/MW to reach out to the Sisters to see if the course can also be held at Sacred heart and if not to get a group together to sign up for the Reading one at English Martyrs Parish, 64 Liebenrood Road, Reading, Berks RG30 2EB</p> <p>Workshop 1: 2nd May, 10 am to 1 pm (arrival from 9.30 am)</p> <p>Workshop 2: 9th May, 10 am to 1 pm (arrival from 9.30 am)</p> <p>Update from JH and MW, if we doing the reading course can we reach out to the list of readers to see if they would be interested in attending?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unlocking of the bible course – JK to form group to facilitate the course and obtain course materials from the diocese and any additional books will be paid for by the Parish. Looking to do the course for Sept / Oct. Deacon Dave has indicated he may be able to lead these courses. We should try and get a sign up sheet once we lock in the dates so we can order the books. • Ananias course – this will commence post Easter. Can the PPC confirm if any members will be attending? Advertising of event and sign up sheet. Clare Simpson will be leading this course.
<p>4. Bishop’s request - holy hour of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</p>		<p>When do we want to start this? We agreed to do 30 mins on a Saturday night mass once a month – starting at 5 and finishing at 5.30 so the Sisters can start the rosary. Need to advertise this on the newsletter, website and social media.</p>
<p>5. Queries from the parish</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Porch light on door to parish hall - Is it possible for a light to be installed above the door of the Parish Hall? Especially in the winter months, when it is dark, you have to be careful to not fall or misplace your step. • Pushchairs in aisles – can a designated area be reserved for mothers with pushchairs? How do we communicate this?

<p>6. discussion of social events coming up that need our support</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike and allotment at convent update • It was agreed that our outreach should include the wider community and we should look to form groups to assist people in the community such as young or new parents, care group for the elderly. • JK – would like to invite Ken who provides parent talk courses to attend a PPC meeting to explain the work he has been doing and what he can offer our parish. • Since our meeting Shanti and Anne is working on forming a Union of Catholic Mothers group. More details to follow.
<p>7. The Parish's 5 year plan</p>		<p>Please review the document which captures the results from the workshops we did the last few PPC meetings. Please prioritise and list the areas you think the PPC should focus on. More importantly please also choose a few areas where you would like to volunteer to lead or form a sub group to plan events for the Parish to participate in (working groups) ie MC with the teenagers project and MH with the work with the elderly and social activities. Please email me with your ideas and the list of groups so I can collate the data and we can discuss in our next PPC meeting.</p>
<p>8. Next PPC Meeting</p>		

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

CLOSING PRAYER

FATHER,
 WE GIVE YOU THANKS
 THAT YOU HAVE ALLOWED US TO WORK TOGETHER
 AND SERVE YOU DURING THIS MEETING.
 WE ASK YOUR BLESSING UPON OUR ENDEAVOURS,
 AND UPON ALL PRESENT TODAY.
 MAY YOUR LOVE AND GRACE CONTINUE TO GUIDE US,
 IN EVERY THING THAT WE DO,
 TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE.
 WE PRAY IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.