

## Parish Pastoral Council

2 September 2021 7:30 pm in The Church

### Minutes

Those present:

Fr Paul Leonard	Fr.P
Mike Coleman	MC
Helena Ranson	HR
Jan Hughes	JH
Joan Kent	JK
Andrea Waldram	AW
Joseph Sharp	JS
Claire Burroughs	CB
Penny Withey	PW

Apologies

Laura Yarnold	LY
Mike Hoyle	MH
Maggie Wood	MW
Dan Kent	DK

	<b>OPENING PRAYER</b>	
	The meeting was opened with a prayer.	
<b>1</b>	<b>PPC Rotation Plans</b>	
	<p>Fr Paul informed the committee of his plans for the next few years.</p> <p>This committee will continue to serve until Christmas, during this time Fr Paul will invite his new ChairPerson and Vice ChairPerson to join the team. Then in the New Year the new PPC will be formed, this will be down sized to approximately 8 people. It is agreed the current committee will continue to provide support during the transition period. Joan will support the new chair with handovers.</p> <p>Fr Paul thanked all the members of the committee for their hard work over the past couple of years.</p> <p>As a group we have achieved a lot – online streaming, courses and Web Site.</p> <p>Fr Paul also agreed that any initiatives and groups we have formed during the past 2 years will continue. Joan will continue leading</p>	Fr P

	<p>the Pastoral collaboration initiative, the social committee will continue to be led by Claire B and Helena. The environmental group being led by Gill Byrnes and Joan is also kicking off so this will continue.</p> <p>Jan mentioned that the diocese is focussing on environmental issues and she will let us know when the new guy who is rolling out environmental issues in the parishes will be visiting so the environmental group can meet with him.</p>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Fete</b>	
	<p>After the postponement of the Pastoral Area Fete, it was decided to hold a local fete at Sacred Heart.</p> <p>We have kept to the same date Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>Fr Paul has agreed to take part in the stocks during the afternoon</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>HR</p> <p>JK</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>Week of Accompanied Prayer</b>	
	<p>The WAP will take place during the week of 17<sup>th</sup> October to 22<sup>nd</sup> October. It will be run remotely using phones, zoom, teams etc. To find out more there is a prayer information evening on Zoom on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm</p> <p>The information evening and the week are being advertised in the Newsletter and website.</p>	JK
<b>4</b>	<b>Pastoral Courses</b>	
	<p>Metanoia is being run by Gerry Penfold on Zoom and has been advertised in our newsletter and website.</p> <p>The Saints course will be run from our parish hall be Shanthi and Theresa again it has been advertised in the newsletter and website.</p>	JK
<b>5</b>	<b>Social Events</b>	
	<p>It was suggested that we hold a curry night and quiz to raise much needed funds for Melfort Glen.</p> <p>Also, the possibility of having a Christmas Fete during Advent.</p> <p>PW to investigate the possibility of having a Christmas Wreath making session in the hall.</p>	ALL
<b>6</b>	<b>Environmental</b>	
	<p>Gill Brynes, and Joan K is setting up an environmental group. The environmental group being led by Gill Byrnes and Joan is also kicking off so this will continue.</p> <p>Jan mentioned that the diocese is focussing on environmental issues and she will let us know when the new guy who is rolling out environmental issues in the parishes will be visiting so the environmental group can meet with him.</p>	JK
<b>7</b>	<b>Fr Paul Half Marathon</b>	

	Father Paul and Ian Liddell are running the Royal Parks half marathon in October for CAFOD. More information is available on our website.	
<b>8</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	<p>JH asked the committees advice the continuing opening of the church for Mass. The discussion was around bringing back singing and allowing parishioners to chose where they sit during Mass. It was decided that singing in church should be delayed for a while, but that the parishioners should be allowed to choose their own seats from the beginning of October.</p> <p>It is agreed we should proceed slowly and carefully, continue with masks and where possible, still try to miss out rows for social distancing purposes.</p> <p>Emrys is also informing us that he will be brining altar servers back during October.</p> <p>We will continue to have welcomers at Mass to help parishioners if needed.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Next PPC meeting</b>	
	<p>The next meeting will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm</p> <p>This meeting will be held in person and also via Zoom.</p>	ALL
	<b>Closing Prayer</b>	