

All Souls Pastoral Parish Council Meeting

Date: 03.05.17		Venue: Parish Room		Time: 7.30pm	
Chair: Paola Casagrande		Minutes: Michelle Drake			
Attendees:	Fr. Michael Brandon	Barbara McGowan	Paola Casagrande	Irene Zikpi	John Corroon
	Claire Groves	Michelle Drake	Christopher Kay	Laura Crowe	
Apologies:	Deacon Paul Rabvukwa	Tony Thompson	Richard Walsh	Michael Tourville	Claire Kirrane

Minutes for 3rd May 2017 PPC Meeting

Items to discuss and actions	Action owner
1 Prayer	ALL
<p>2 Reflections of Easter Celebrations</p> <p>All agreed the Easter Celebrations went very well this year. Starting with the Palm Sunday prayers with CTEC congregations followed by a procession from the peace garden to the respective churches was well received by all.</p> <p>Opinion was gaged about the length of the readings at the Easter vigil as just right and that the mix of hymns and music was beautiful, agreeing that those who generally attend the vigil expect it to be a spiritual experience. It was decided to invite the choirs from both masses to attend and sing together next year.</p>	
<p>3 Update on parish census and recruitment of a parish secretary</p> <p>The four main roles decided upon for the parish secretary were put to the finance committee to finalise the new post. All present agreed that tasks could be dealt with by the parish volunteers themselves and that at such time the post is not required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance manager, MT has reported healthy parish finances currently. • Parish co-ordinator / administrator role, MA has co-ordinated the census data so far and offers administration support with literature e.g. newsletters, etc. As many of the regular organisation of rotas e.g. flowers cleaning etc. are already dealt with by the smaller groups it was thought best to continue as successful. BB has recruited and is training money counters. • Property Management JB has been involved with building work for the parish and it is thought he may be able to offer advice on the day to day management of parish properties. 	
<p>4 Update on Hardship fund</p> <p>MT was absent today. Amount in fund to be advised at next meeting</p>	MT
<p>5 Review of Sacramental programme.</p> <p>New members of the church were Baptised and Confirmed during the Easter celebrations. Many had attended the Journey of Faith programme run by BM and Fr.M.</p> <p>The monthly Sunday school sessions followed by Mass for the preparation of First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation were also hailed a success with good attendance, concluding with a spiritual Saturday afternoon of Bible studies, personal reflection and prayer.</p>	

AOB No new items to discuss	
10. Reflective formation The evening ended with reflection on the holy Gospel reading according to John 10:1-10 I am the gate of the sheepfold.	ALL

Future meetings:

- **Thursday 8th June 2017 TBC**
- **AGM Sunday 11th June 2017 between both Masses**